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1. is real

Ezekiel 1:3

The end is now upon you and I will unleash my anger against you. I will judge you according to your conduct and repay you for all your detestable practices.





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2 Chronicles 36:17

He brought up against them the king of the Babylonians, who killed their young men with the sword in the sanctuary, and spared neither young man nor young woman, old man or aged. God handed all of them over to Nebuchadnezzar.





2. is his right

Ezekiel 7:1-2

The word of the LORD came to me: 2 "Son of man, this is what the Sovereign LORD says to the land of Israel: The end! The end has come upon the four corners of the land.





Ezekiel 8:5-6

Then he said to me, "Son of man, look towards the north." So I looked, and in the entrance north of the gate of the altar I saw this idol of jealousy.





Ezekiel 8:10-11

So I went in and looked, and I saw portrayed all over the walls all kinds of crawling things and detestable animals and all the idols of the house of Israel.

11 In front of them stood seventy elders ... Each had a censer in his hand, and a fragrant cloud of incense was rising.





Ezekiel 8:14

Then he brought me to the entrance to the north gate of the house of the LORD, and I saw women sitting there, mourning for Tammuz.





Ezekiel 8:16

He then brought me into the inner court of the house of the LORD, and there at the entrance to the temple, between the portico and the altar, were about twenty-five men. With their backs towards the temple of the LORD and their faces towards the east, they were bowing down to the sun in the east.





2 Kings 17:16-17

They forsook all the commands of the Lord their God and made for themselves two idols cast in the shape of calves, and an Asherah pole. They bowed down to all the starry hosts, and they worshiped Baal. They sacrificed their sons and daughters in the fire. They practiced divination and sorcery and sold themselves to do evil in the eyes of the Lord, provoking him to anger.





3. is reasonable

Ezekiel 8:17-18

Is it a trivial matter for the house of Judah to do the detestable things they are doing here?

Must they also fill the land with violence...

Therefore I will deal with them





4. is required

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5. is slow

Ezekiel 4:4

"Then lie on your left side and put the sin of the house of Israel upon yourself. You are to bear their sin for the number of days you lie on your side. I have assigned you the same number of days as the years of their sin. So for 390 days you will bear the sin of the house of Israel.





6. delays for change

Ezekiel 9:4

... and said to him, 'Go throughout the city of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it.'





7. IS TO LOSE HIS PRESENCE

Ezekiel 11:23

The glory of the Lord went up from within the city and stopped above the mountain east of it.





8. offers future hope

Ezekiel 11:17

'Therefore say: "This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I will gather you from the nations and bring you back from the countries where you have been scattered, and I will give you back the land of Israel again."









1. We are caught by the same sins

Ezekiel 8:3

The Spirit lifted me up between earth and heaven and in visions of God he took me to Jerusalem, to the entrance of the north gate of the inner court, where the idol that provokes to jealousy stood.





2. We are responsible to be the same light

Ezekiel 5:5-6

This is Jerusalem, which I have set in the centre of the nations, with countries all around her. Yet in her wickedness she has rebelled against my laws and decrees more than the nations and countries around her. ...





3. We can easily lose his presence

Revelation 2:5

Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.





4. God's judgement will be real

2 Thessalonians 1:5-7

All this is evidence that God's judgment is right, ...This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels.





5. Many will lose God's presence ("hell")

Matthew 25:30

And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'





6. God is still slow in judgement

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.





7. Still ALL WHO TURN to God are rescued!

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.







There will be no future hope

2 Thessalonians 1:9

They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might.







