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The Prophecies Concerning the Nations Surrounding Judah (continued)

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The Infliction of Judgment Upon Tyre

Isaiah 23:1a
The Caption

1 ¶ The burden of Tyre:

Isaiah 23:1b-7
The Call for Mourning

Howl, you ships of Tarshish! Because it has been devastated - without house, without entering in. From the land of Kittim it has been revealed to them.

2 Be silent, *you* inhabitants of the island, *trading* merchants of Sidon crossing over the sea; they have filled you.

3 And on many waters, the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the Nile, *was* her revenue; and you are the marketplace of nations.

4 Be ashamed, Sidon, because the sea has spoken, the stronghold of the sea, saying, "I have not labored with birth pains, and have *not* given birth to children, and I have *not* brought up young men *and* have *not* raised up virgins.

5 As when the report *comes* to Egypt, they shall be in pains because of the report of Tyre.

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6 Pass over to Tarshish; howl, *the* inhabitants of the island!

7 *Is* this your exulting *city* whose antiquity is from the days of ancient times? Her feet will carry her from a distance to dwell.

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The Counselor for Tyre

8 Who has counseled this upon Tyre, the crowning *city*, whose merchants *are* princes, whose tradesmen *are the* honored of the earth?

9 Yahweh of Hosts has counseled it, to defile the pride of all beauty, to bring contempt on all those being honored of the earth.

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The Commercial Industry Ruined

10 Pass over your land as the Nile, O daughter of Tarshish; *there is not a* harbor any longer.

11 He has stretched His hand over the sea; He has shaken kingdoms. Yahweh has given command to merchants, to destroy her strongholds.

12 And He said, You shall not continue any longer to rejoice, *the* one being oppressed virgin, daughter of Sidon. Rise up, cross over to Kittim, also there you will not be rest for yourself.

13 Look, the land of *the* Chaldeans! This people have not existed! Assyria has laid the foundation of it for wild

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beasts. They have set up their siege towers; they have demolished its palaces; they have made her for ruins.

**14 Howl, you ships of Tarshish!
Because your stronghold has been leveled.**

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The Change for Tyre

15 ¶ And it shall have been in that day that Tyre shall be being forgotten seventy years, as the days of one king. At the end of seventy years, it will be as for tyre as the song of a harlot.

16 Take a harp; go around the city, the one playing the harlot being forgotten. Do well to play the stringed instrument; sing many songs, so that you will be remembered.

17 And it will have been, after the end of seventy years, Yahweh will visit Tyre; and she shall have returned to her wages, and she will have committed prostitution with all the kingdoms of the earth upon the surface of the ground.

18 And it shall have been, her profit and her wages shall be holy to Yahweh; it shall not be stored and it will not be horded; because her profit shall be for the ones dwelling before Yahweh, to eat to satisfaction, and for choice clothing.