

## Woes and related language in Revelation and Other Scriptures

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| 8.13 | <b>woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth</b>                      | <b>Ezekiel 16.23:</b><br>After all your [ <b>Jerusalem's</b> ] <b>wickedness</b> ( <b>woe, woe</b> to you! says the Lord YHWH)...  |
|      |   | <b>Isaiah 24.16-17:</b><br>From the ends of the earth we hear songs of praise, of glory to the Righteous One. But I say, I pine away, I pine away. <b>Woe</b> is me! For the treacherous deal treacherously, the treacherous deal very treacherously. <b>Terror, and the pit, and the snare are upon you, O inhabitant of the earth!</b><br><br><b>Zephaniah 1.18</b><br>Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, <b>a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.</b><br><br><b>Zechariah 11.6</b><br>For I will <b>no longer have pity on the inhabitants of the earth</b> , says YHWH. I will cause them, every one, to fall each into the hand of a neighbor, and each into the hand of the king; and they shall devastate the earth, and I will deliver no one from their hand. |
| 9.12 | The <b>first woe</b> has passed. There are still <b>two woes to come.</b> | (THE FALL OF JERUSALEM BY BABYLON AFTER THE FAILURE OF PROPHETIC THREATS OF DIVINE VIOLENCE TO GENERATE REPENTANCE)<br><br><b>Isaiah 3.9-11</b><br>The look on their faces bears witness against them; they proclaim their sin like Sodom, they do not hide it. Woe to them! For they have brought evil on themselves. <b>Tell the innocent how fortunate they are</b> , for they shall eat the fruit of their labors. <b>Woe to the guilty! How unfortunate they are</b> , for what their hands have done shall be done to them.<br><br><b>Jeremiah 4.12-14</b><br>Now it is I who speak in judgment against them. Look! He comes up like clouds, his chariots like the whirlwind; his horses are swifter than eagles-- <b>woe to us, for we are ruined! O Jerusalem</b> , wash your heart clean of wickedness so that you may be saved. How long shall your evil schemes lodge within you?   |

**Jeremiah 13.27**

I have seen your abominations, your adulteries and neighings, your shameless prostitutions on the hills of the countryside. **Woe to you, O Jerusalem!** How long will it be before you are made clean?

**Ezekiel 24.6**

Therefore thus says the Lord YHWH: **Woe to the bloody city (Jerusalem)**

**Hosea 7.13**

**Woe to them [Ephraim/Israel],** for they have strayed from me! **Destruction to them,** for they have rebelled against me! I

11.14 The **second woe** has passed. The **third woe is coming very soon.**

(THE FALL OF JERUSALEM BY ROME AFTER THE TESTIMONY OF THE "TWO WITNESSES" [= TWO EKKLESIAI] LEADS TO DEATH, RESURRECTION AND PARTIAL REPENTANCE)

**Matt 11.21 (and parallel)**

"**Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida!** For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.

**Luke 21.20**

"When you see **Jerusalem surrounded by armies,** then know that its desolation has come near...."

12.12 Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But **woe to the earth and the sea,** for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

"The 'alas' (*ouai*) of Rev 12.12 gives voice to the grief that the earth and sea and other elements of creation will suffer, along with humans, as Satan stalks the earth, in the second half of the book." (—Barbara Rossing)

18.10 "**Woe, woe, the great city, Babylon, the mighty city! For in one hour your judgment has come.**"

**Jeremiah 22.8-9**

And many nations will pass by this city, and all of them will say one to another, "Why has the YHWH dealt in this way with that **great city?**" And they will answer, "Because they **abandoned the covenant of the YHWH their God,** and worshiped other gods and served them."

18.16 "**Woe, woe, the great city,** clothed in fine linen, in purple and scarlet, adorned with gold, with jewels, and with pearls! **For in one hour**

Jonah 1.2 (also, 3.2; 4.11)

"Go at once to **Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it;** for their wickedness has come up before me."

**all this wealth has been  
laid waste!"**

18.19

And they threw dust on their heads, as they wept and mourned, crying out, "**Woe, woe, the great city,** where all who had ships at sea grew rich by her wealth! **For in one hour she has been laid waste.**