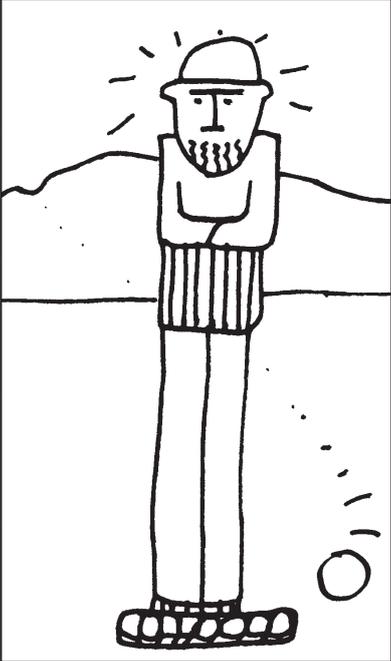


22 Be trusting

Prophecies

Remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose'
Isaiah 46:9-10

Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the LORD that will stand.
Proverbs 19:21

Neb's image	What Nebuchadnezzar saw	What we know from history
		
and then ...		

WHAT IS THE EARLIEST prophecy in the Bible that you can think of? Who was it about?

WHAT ABOUT THESE? Compare Genesis 1:3 with 2 Corinthians 4:6. What about Genesis 1:26 - compare 2 Corinthians 3:18 and 1 John 3:2.



This coin (this is a picture of both sides) marks the destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70. On one side it says IMP CAES VESPASIAN AVG ... (Imperial Caesar Vespasian Augustus ...), and on the other side, JUDAEA CAPTA (you can work that out).



This coin shows the head of the emperor Hadrian (he of the wall). In 132 AD he built a Roman city where Jerusalem had been, and called it Aelia Capitolina. This sparked a revolt by the Jews. When the revolt was eventually crushed, Hadrian wiped Judaea from the map. The land was renamed Palestina, and under new Roman laws Jews were forbidden to live in Aelia Capitolina or anywhere near it.

4000 BC

3000 BC

2000 BC



The arch of Titus in Rome commemorates the destruction of Jerusalem in AD70.

The Olivet Prophecy

Where is it?

What is it?

What can I find out about Jesus' second coming?

The fall of Tyre

The city of Tyre used to be split between the mainland and an island off the coast of what is now Lebanon. It was a major trading port and accumulated vast wealth - see Ezekiel 27.

Ezekiel 26:1-14 contains many prophecies about Tyre:

1. Nebuchadnezzar would attack Tyre (v7-8): he besieged it for over 10 years.
2. The city would be destroyed (v8-11). Nebuchadnezzar captured the mainland part but he was unable to conquer the island.
3. They (note the change of pronoun in v12) will demolish the city and throw it into the sea. Alexander the Great came to Tyre in 332 BC, and his army made a causeway by throwing all the debris from the old city into the sea.
4. Fisherman would spread their nets on the city (v14). After all this, Tyre became a fishing village.
5. It would never be rebuilt (v14). The original city has not been rebuilt, and modern Tyre is where the island was. It's not wealthy and important like it was, though. In New Testament times it relied on others for food - see Acts 12:20



An aerial photograph of modern Tyre - © Google maps

What do you think about Horoscopes? What about mediums and fortune telling? Ever played with a Ouija board? See Isaiah 8:19, Deuteronomy 18:9-11

Therefore, stay awake: for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Matthew 24:42

1000 BC

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