

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me. ISAIAH 6:8

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# ENEMIES of the Home

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## Lesson: **MAKING UP THE HEDGE**

*And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation. There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof. Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them. Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain. And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord God, when the Lord hath not spoken. The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord God. EZEKIEL 22:23-31*

**Introduction:** \_\_\_\_\_

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*Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.* PROVERBS 14:34

*The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?*  
JEREMIAH 17:9

## 1. \_\_\_\_\_ GOD OUT

*Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come even unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.* EZEKIEL 22:4

*And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.* COLOSSIANS 1:18

## 2. \_\_\_\_\_ HOLY THINGS

*Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.*  
EZEKIEL 22:8

*What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?* 1 CORINTHIANS 6:19

## 3. \_\_\_\_\_ LEWDNESS

*In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.* EZEKIEL 22:9

## 4. \_\_\_\_\_ MONEY

*In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord God.* EZEKIEL 22:12

*For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.* MATTHEW 6:21

*Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.* MALACHI 3:8  
*Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.* PROVERBS 3:9-10

## 5. BEING \_\_\_\_\_ ABOUT GOD

*In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord God.* EZEKIEL 22:12

*Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.* HEBREWS 13:5

## 6. \_\_\_\_\_ BY FALSE PROPHETS

*There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof. Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.* EZEKIEL 22:25-26

*And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.* EPHESIANS 6:4

**Conclusion:** \_\_\_\_\_

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*Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.*  
2 CORINTHIANS 6:17-18