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“God’s Heart for Exiles”

Hosea 11:8-9





Ezekiel 6:9 (NASB)

Then those of you who escape will remember Me among the nations to which they will be carried captive, how I have been hurt by their adulterous hearts which turned away from Me, and by their eyes which played the harlot after their idols; and they will loathe themselves in their own sight for the evils which they have committed, for all their abominations.

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Leviticus 26:33-35

And I will scatter you among the nations, and I will unsheathe the sword after you, and your land shall be a desolation, and your cities shall be a waste. ³⁴ “Then the land shall enjoy its Sabbaths as long as it lies desolate, while you are in your enemies’ land; then the land shall rest, and enjoy its Sabbaths. ³⁵ As long as it lies desolate it shall have rest, the rest that it did not have on your Sabbaths when you were dwelling in it.”

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Jeremiah 7:3-4

Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Amend your ways and your deeds, and I will let you dwell in this place.

⁴ Do not trust in these deceptive words: 'This is the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD, the temple of the LORD.'

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3 Phases of Judah's Exile

1. 605 B.C. – Judah's young nobility taken to Babylon

(8 years elapse)

2. 597 B.C. – Jerusalem pillaged, more taken to Babylon

(10 years elapse)

3. 587 B.C. – Temple destroyed, more taken to Babylon





Jerusalem

Babylon

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... “The Bible says that when God looks at his people’s sinfulness, his transcendent holiness— his God-ness, his very divinity, that about God which makes him not us—is what makes him unable to come down on his people in wrath....

The sins of those who belong to God open the floodgates of his heart of compassion for us. The dam breaks. It is not our loveliness that wins his love. It is our unloveliness.”

- *Dane Ortlund*

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Lamentations 3:31-33

For the Lord will not cast off forever,
³² but, though he cause grief, he will
have compassion according to the
abundance of his steadfast love;

³³ for he does not afflict from his
heart or grieve the children of men.

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Jeremiah 32:41

I will rejoice in doing them good, and I will plant them in this land in faithfulness, with all my heart and all my soul.

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Exodus 34:6-7

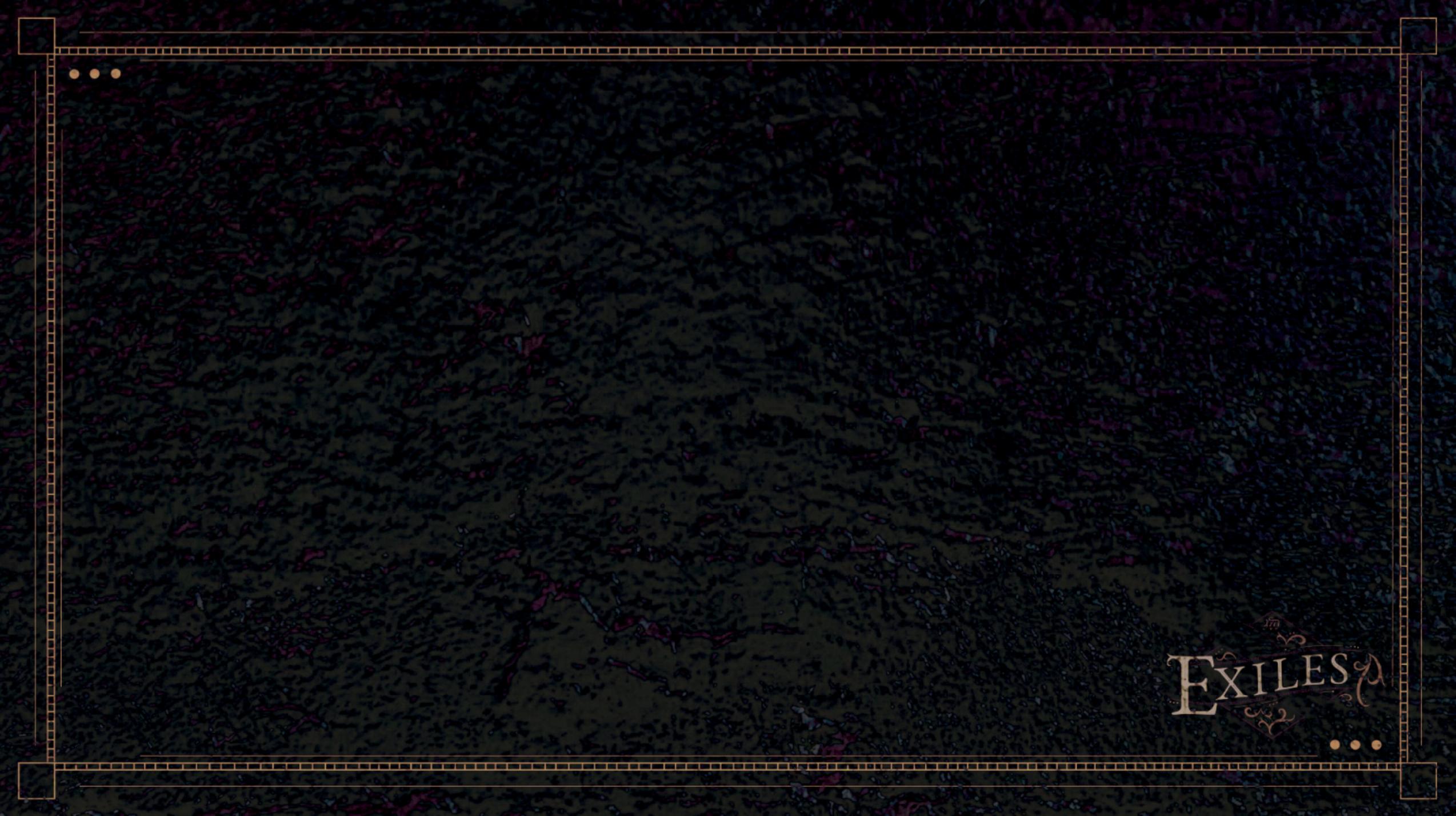
“The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, ⁷ keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children’s children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

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Jeremiah 31:20

Is Ephraim my dear son? Is he my darling child? For as often as I speak against him, I do remember him still. Therefore my heart yearns for him; I will surely have mercy on him, declares the LORD.

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