

Thy Rowers Have brought thee into great waters

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Introduction

1. Ezekiel 27:26
2. Ezekiel is telling of the destruction of the city of Tyre
 - a. This city had developed into two cities, one on the main land the other on a rocky island ½ mile off shore
 - b. Since it was on an island she thought of herself as invincible
 - c. The city was finally destroyed by Alexander the Great; by building a ramp out to the island. It took him 7 months
3. Three chapters of Ezekiel are devoted to her destruction Ezekiel 26, 27, and 28.
4. Let us learn some lessons for this city

II Discussion

1. Beware of your rowers 27:26
 - a. The picture is of an ancient galley with lines of slaves pulling oars, rowing, propelling the ship, moving it into deep and dangerous waters.
 - b. Who is moving you, propelling your soul? Which way are they moving you into a safe harbor or out into the deep dangerous waters.
 - c. Parents Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 6:4
 - d. Elders and preachers Hebrews 13:7, 17; Acts 17:11
 - e. Family or friends 1 Corinthians 15:33; 2 Corinthians 6:14
2. Beware of great waters 27:26
 - a. These waters are perilous, treacherous and deep
 - b. We are warned of dangerous waters Luke 15:11-32; 1 John 2:15-17; 1 Timothy 4:1-3; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11; Galatians 5:19-21
3. Beware of the pit 26:20
 - a. The wicked of Tyre abode in an awful place called the pit.
 - b. We are warned of a similar place in the New Testament Luke 16:23; 2 Peter 2:4; Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:13-15
4. Beware of your rock 26:4
 - a. This rock is something they trusted in; they thought they were invincible
 - b. Christ is our Rock Psalm 31:1-3; Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 3:11 1 Peter 2:6-8; 1 Corinthians 10:4

III Conclusion

1. Beware and know then who is taking you and where they are taking you, you can trust in God!
2. Jesus used Tyre as an illustration Matthew 11:20-22 of repentance. If the miracle that had been done in Chorazin and Bethsaida had been done in Tyre and Sidon they would have repented long ago.
3. Understand all of our spiritual advantages that we have today, will we not be help accountable also?
4. Will the men and women of Tyre stand in judgment and point their finger at us and condemn us for not doing God's will to the saving of our soul?
5. Come now!

Source: Sermons that need to be Preached Vol. 2; The Pulpit commentary Vol. 12 on Ezekiel