

**Lessons from a Boiling Cauldron**  
**Twisting the Doctrine of Eternal Security**  
 Veritas Adult Community  
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**The Text**

<sup>1</sup>The following word of YHWH came to me in the ninth year, in the tenth month, on the tenth [day] of the month: <sup>2</sup>Human, record the date, this very day—The king of Babylon laid siege to Jerusalem on this very day—and compose a parable concerning the rebellious house. Declare to them:

<sup>3</sup>Thus has the Lord YHWH declared:

Put on the cauldron, put [it] on;

Yes, pour water into it.

<sup>4</sup>Gather into it the pieces [of meat]—

Every good piece, thigh and shoulder.

Fill it with the choicest cuts.

<sup>5</sup>Take the choicest of the flock.

Yes, heap up the logs under it.

Bring it to a brisk boil.

Yes, boil its cuts in it.

<sup>6</sup>Therefore, thus has the Lord YHWH declared:

Woe to the city of bloodshed—

The cauldron whose corruption is inside it;

Whose corruption has not been removed!

Remove it piece by piece;

No lot has fallen on it.

<sup>7</sup>For her blood is within her;

On the exposed rock she has put it;

She did not pour it out on the ground,

To cover it with dust.

<sup>8</sup>In order to rouse wrath,

To take vengeance,

I have placed her blood upon the bare rock,

that it might not be covered.

Therefore, thus has the Lord YHWH declared:

Woe to the city of bloodshed!

Yes, I myself will make the pyre huge.

<sup>10</sup>Pile on the logs.

Kindle the fire.

Cook the meat thoroughly.

Pour out the broth.



Let the bones be charred.

<sup>11</sup>Then let it stand empty on the coals,  
so it becomes hot,  
and its copper glows,  
and its filthiness inside it is poured out.  
Its corruption will be consumed.

<sup>12</sup>Its corruption is troublesome,  
and the magnitude of its corruption will not leave.  
Into the fire with its corruption.

<sup>13</sup>On account of your lewd filthiness—  
Because I tried to cleanse you,  
but you would not be cleansed of your filthiness—  
You will never be cleansed again,  
until I have satisfied my fury against you.

<sup>14</sup>I am YHWH; I have spoken. It is coming, and I will carry [it] out. I will not hold back, I will not spare, and I will not relent. According to your conduct and your wanton behavior I will judge you.

### **Exposition**

- A. The Setting for the Banquet (vv. 1–2)  
September 18, 592 BC
- B. The Preparation for the Banquet (Thesis Statement, vv. 3b–5)
- C. The Transformation of the Banquet (The Dispute, vv. 6–8)
- D. The Fate of the Population of Jerusalem (The Counter-Thesis (vv. 9–13)
- E. Conclusion (24:14)

Application:

What about our security? Two lessons:

1. There is no security for those who set up their own idols in their hearts. (John 15:1–6)
2. There is absolute security for those who trust in Christ and demonstrate their trust (like Abraham) in lives of grateful obedience. (John 15:7–16).