

the idols of Egypt had really ceased. There are a couple of involvements. There are a couple of -- whether a Sphinx is an idol proper or not I do not qualify to say at this time. You know what the pyramids are, don't you? The pyramids -- well, the pyramids were just patios. That is all they were originally. They were patios the Pharoahs built for their wives. They claimed they weren't level on top and so they would add another level to them to get them more and more level, and move and more level, which proves -- which proves that if you try to build a patio to please your wife, you are going to have a pyramid I just couldn't (Laughter)

You looked like you deserved it anyhow.

But you see that suggests it contains a long gap, and consequently judgments are ~~ex~~ announced after that. Vs. 16: I will set fire in Egypt.

Now if there is a great gap of 1200 years between 12 and 13 -- well, then there might be a great gap of 1200 years between 13 and 14. Since Pathros (?) shows up again here and, you remember, that was our key word back in Isaiah 19, it might be that we are learning that there are great gaps which otherwise we might not expect and otherwise might not see. Well, we are told then that the young men of Athens and _____ shall fall by the sword and these cities shall go into captivity. Those two cities in particular shall go into captivity. Now, if ~~that~~ they were five cities going into captivity of the Hebrews, we would think that we had a lot of questions solved right there. But those cities will go into captivity, and if Tahphannes (that is where Jeremiah was taken incidentally and where Pharoah's court was when he made his predictions against it (Jeremiah 44 and 46).

At Tahphannes also shall the day be darkened when I shall break there the yokes of Egypt and the palm of her strength shall cease in her, etc. For thus will I execute judgment in Egypt and they shall know that I am the Lord.

And then the writer tells us the date at the end of this prophecy. Ezekiel is enormously aware of the importance of time and so he is by far the most chronological of any of the prophets. He tells us the date of the prophecy in