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verse 20. And the Lord speaks to him. He says, Son of man (verse 21), I have broken the arm of Pharoah, king of Egypt. It shall not be bound up. Behold I am against Pharoah (vs. 22) Vs. 23: I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations. (We have seen that before in chapter 29 -- the 40 years gap.) I will scatter them among the nations. I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon. He will break Pharoah's arms, and I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharoah shall fall down. I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations and disperse them among the countries, and they shall know that I am the Lord. Well, over here I offer on this page, you know, without looking into Jeremiah (I think it is because I am testily nearly out of time) I offer on this page a couple notes.

The unfulfilled prophecies obviously relate (town near the bottom of Page 2, small b). They obviously relate to two things -- three things:

- 1. The disbursement and punishment on Egypt,
- 2. The restoration
- The particulars of the Hebrew-Assyrian-Egyptian alliance.

They obviously relate to those three areas, both the ones in Isaiah 19 and the ones that stand here obviously relate to those areas. It doesn't say that they relate to a lot of different areas, but they all rather obviously relate in some way to those three areas. Now, if that giant time perspective is right in Ezekiel 30 between Nebuchadnezzar and the Moslem conquest, (I mean it is hard to argue with 1200 years ) but if that is indicative of anything -- if may suggest a giant time gap in what appeared to be unfulfilled prophecy between the time of punishment, the dispersion and the time of restoration. It may suggest that. I am not ready to make any conclusion yet, and this we never make conclusions. When the whole course is over, students say, Well, we didn't learn anything new, and the teacher always says, Well I did. Yeah. But, now check me on that. Check me on that quickly while I pour my coffee. Students sometimes say, Is it hot and I always said, Coffee doesn't have to be hot. Itneeds to be hot just once. That is when it is made. After that it can be anything. It is still good for you and it builds wyour ulser walls!

Multiple prophecies relate to three things: