

When Capitalism Falls

Isaiah 23

1. The _____ of Capitalism Will Fall (v. 1-7)

- a. The World will _____
- Merchant _____ will mourn
 - All _____ will mourn
 - The _____ will mourn
 - _____ will mourn

b. The World will _____

- _____ will be stifled
- _____ will be stopped
- _____ will be stalled

2. The _____ of Capitalism Will Fall (v. 8-14)

a. The LORD's purpose for _____

- _____ the honored
- _____ the prideful
- _____ the colonies

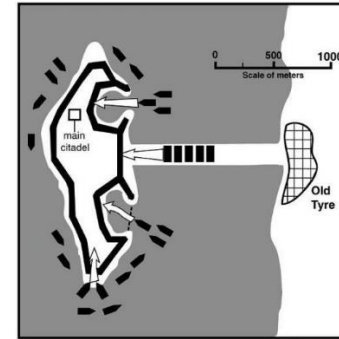
b. The LORD's purpose for the _____

- _____ the kingdoms
- _____ the havens
- _____ the fortresses

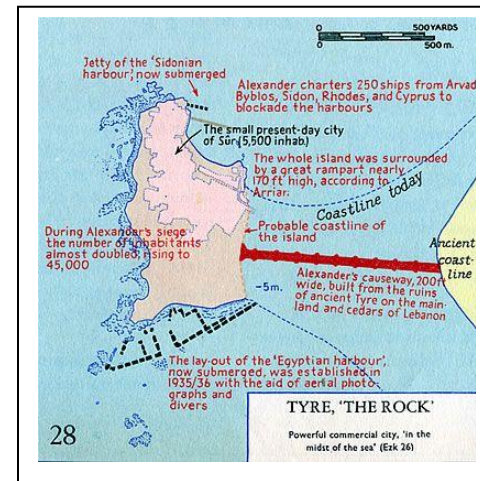
3. The _____ of Capitalism Will Fall (v. 15-18)

- The _____ prostitute
- The _____ tradesman
- The repentant _____
- The repentant _____

The Defense of Tyre



The City and Citadel of Tyre



From Isaiah's days as a prophet (approx. 740-700 BC) until 332 BC, Tyre was attacked five times. Assyria, Babylon and Persia all tried unsuccessfully to get rid of the menace of Tyre's meddling in political and economic affairs. The city on the coast was destroyed multiple times while its inhabitants would simply evacuate to the island

citadel. Against land-based armies, this island defense seemed impenetrable. Then Alexander the Great came along.

Alexander, in 332, destroyed the city of Tyre and used the destroyed material from it to build a 200 foot causeway out to the island. He then drew his siege engines (the tallest in the history of war) across the causeway and besieged the city. It is estimated that while many Tyrians were evacuated by sea to Carthage, still 8,000 died and 30,000 were sold into slavery. Alexander lost only 400 troops. To this day, the citadel of Tyre rests on a peninsula rather than on an island due to Alexander's construction!