

# Ezekiel 15

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## Jerusalem the Useless Vine

**1**And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying: **2**Son of man, what is the vine-tree more than any tree, the vine branch which grew up among the trees of the forest? **3**Shall wood be taken thereof to make any work? or will men take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon? **4**Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuel; the fire hath devoured both the ends of it, and the midst of it is singed; is it profitable for any work? **5**Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no work; how much less, when the fire hath devoured it, and it is singed, shall it yet be meet for any work? **6**Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: As the vine-tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so do I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem. **7**And I will set My face against them; out of the fire are they come forth, and the fire shall devour them; and ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I set My face against them. **8**And I will make the land desolate, because they have acted treacherously, saith the Lord GOD.'