"NO GOOD WOOD!" WHAT GOD DOES TO THE UNFRUITFUL: Justification for the judgment of God Ezekiel 15

I. THE PARABLE OF THE WORTHLESS VINE (15:1-5)

- **A.** "Then..." continuing the justification for the judgment of God (1)
- B. Uncovering their root problem (pride) with a question (2)

C. Two examples of uselessness of the vine (3-5)

- 1. Worthless to make anything (3)
- 2. Worthless even for the fire (4)
- 3. A summary of its worthlessness (5)
- II. THE EXPLANATION OF THE PARABLE: God will destroy the inhabitants of Jerusalem because they are unfruitful, being unfaithful (6-8)
 - A. God has given the inhabitants of Jerusalem over to judgement and is against them because they are the worthless, unfruitful vine (6-7a)
 - **B.** The exiled elders will know the Lord is the Lord when the inhabitants of Jerusalem go to the consuming fire of God's judgment (7b)
 - C. All because of their unfaithfulness which is revealed by their unfruitfulness
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