

wo unto them that decree unrighteous decrees & that write grievousness which they have prescribed

to turn aside the needy from Judgment & to take away the right from the poor of my People that widows may be their prey & that they may rob the fatherless

& what will ye do in the day of visitation & in the desolation which shall come from far to whom will ye flee for help & where will ye leave your glory

witho-ut me they shall bow down under the prisoners & they shall fall under the slain for all this his anger is not turned away but his hand stretched out still

O Assyrian the rod of mine anger & the staff in their hand is their indignation

I will send him against a hypocritical Nation & against the People of my wrath will I give him a Charge to take the spoil & to take the prey & to tread them down like the mire of the streets

howbeit he meaneth not so neither doth his heart think so but in his heart it is to destroy & cut off nations not a few

for he saith are not my princes altogether kings

is not Calno as Carchemish is not Hamath as Arpad is not **76** Samaria as Damascus

as my hand hath founded the Kingdoms of the Idols & whose graven images them of Jerusalem & of Samaria

shall I not as I have done unto Sama-ria & her Idols so do to Jerusalem & to her Idols

wherefore it shall come to pass that when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion & upon Jerusalem I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the King of Assyria & the glory of his high looks

CHAPTER 20

The destruction of Assyria is a type of the destruction of the wicked at the Second Coming— Few people will be left after the Lord comes again—The remnant of Jacob will return in that day—Compare Isaiah 10. About 559–545 B.C.

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²To turn **away** the needy from **j**udgment, **and** to take away the right from the poor of my **p**eople, that widows may be their prey, **and** that they may rob the fatherless!

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for he saith by the strength of my hand & by my wisdom I have done th-ese things for I am prudent & I have moved the borders of the People & have robed their treasures & I have put down the inhabitants like a valiant man

& my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the People & as one gathereth eggs that are left have I gathered all the earth & there was none that moved the wing or opened the mo-uth or peeped

shall the Axe boast itse/f against him that heweth therewith sha-ll the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it as if the rod should shake itse-lf against them that lift it up or as if the staff should lift up itself as if it were no wood

therefore shall the Lord the Lord of hosts send among his fat ones leanness & under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire

& the light of Israel shall be for a fire & his holy one for a flame & shall burn & shall devour his thorns & his briars in one day

& shall consume the glory of his forest & of his fruit-ful field both Soul & body & they shall be as when a standard bearer feinteth

& the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few that a child may write them

& it shall come to pass in that day that the remnant of Israel & such as are escaped of the house of Jacob shall no more again stay upon him that smote them but shall stay upon the Lord the holy one of Israel in truth

the remnant shall return yea even the rem-nant of Jacob unto the mighty God

for though thy People Israel be as the sand of the Sea ~~y~~(yet) ~~e~~t a remnant of them shall return the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteous-ness

for the Lord God of hosts shall make a consumption even determined in all the land

therefore thus saith the Lord God of hosts O my People that dwellest in Zion be not afraid of the Assyrian he shall smite thee with a rod & shall lift up his staff against thee after the manner of Egypt

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¹⁸**A**nd shall consume the glory of his forest, **and** of his fruit[-]ful field, both **soul and** body; **and** they shall be as when a standard-bearer fainteth.

¹⁹**A**nd the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a child may write them.

²⁰**A**nd it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of Israel, **and** such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them, but shall stay upon the Lord, the **H**oly **O**ne of Israel, in truth.

²¹The remnant shall return, yea, even the rem[-]nant of Jacob, unto the mighty God.

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²³**F**or the Lord God of **H**osts shall make a consumption, even determined in all the land.

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