

2nd Nephi 20

¹wo unto them that decree unrighteous decrees
& that write grievousness which they have prescribed
²to 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
³& 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
⁴without 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

⁵O Assyrian the rod of mine anger
& the staff in their hand is their indignation
⁶I 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

⁷howbeit he meaneth not so
neither doth his heart think so
but in his heart it is to destroy & cut off nations not a few
⁸for he saith
are not my princes altogether kings
⁹is not Calno as Carchemish
is not Hamath as Arpad
is not Samaria as Damascus
¹⁰as my hand hath founded the Kingdoms of the Idols
& whose graven images them of Jerusalem & of Samaria
¹¹shall I not as I have done unto Samaria & her Idols
so do to Jerusalem & to her Idols

¹²wherefore 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
¹³for he saith
by the strength of my hand & by my wisdom
I have done these 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
¹⁴& 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 mouth or peeped

¹⁵ shall the Axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith
shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it
as if the rod should shake itself against them that lift it up
or as if the staff should lift up itself as if it were no wood

¹⁶ 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

¹⁷ & 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

¹⁸ & shall consume the glory of his forest & of his fruitful field
both Soul & body

& they shall be as when a standard bearer feinteth

¹⁹ & the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few
that a child may write them

²⁰ & 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

²¹ the remnant shall return

yea even the remnant of Jacob unto the mighty God

²² for though thy People Israel be as the sand of the Sea

^{y^{et}} a remnant of them shall return

the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness

²³ for the Lord God of hosts shall make a consumption
even determined in all the land

²⁴ 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

²⁵ for yet a verry little while & the indignition shall cease

& mine anger in their destruction

²⁶ & the Lord of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him

according to the slaughter of ~~Mid~~ Mideon at the rock of Oreb

& as his rod was upon the Sea

so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt

²⁷ & it shall come to pas in that day

that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder

& his yoke from off thy neck

& the yoke shall be destroid because of the anointing

²⁸he is come to Aiath
he is passed to Migron
at Mishmash he hath laid up his Carriages
²⁹they are gone over the passage
they have taken up their lodging at Geba
Ramath is afraid
Gibeah of Saul is fled
³⁰lift up the voice O daughter of Gallim
cause it to be heard unto Laish
O poor Anathoth
³¹Madmenah is removed
the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves to flee
³²as yet shall he remain at Nob that day
he shall shake his hand against the mount of the daughter of Zion
the hill of Jerusalem
³³behold the Lord the Lord of hosts shall lop the bough with terror
& the high ons of ~~ter~~^{stature} ~~for~~ shall be hewn down
& the haughty shall be humbled
³⁴& he shall cut down the thickets of the forests with iron
& Lebanon shall fall by a mighty one