

The Book of Micah

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1Yahweh's¹ word²
that³ came⁴ to⁵
Micah⁶ of⁷ Morasheth in⁸
the⁹ days¹⁰ of¹¹
Jotham¹², Ahaz¹³, and¹⁴
Hezekiah¹⁵, kings¹⁶ of¹⁷
Judah¹⁸, which¹⁹ he²⁰
saw²¹ concerning²²
Samaria²³ and²⁴
Jerusalem²⁵.

2Hear²⁶, you²⁷ peoples²⁸,
all²⁹ of³⁰ you³¹!

Listen³², O³³ earth³⁴,
and³⁵ all³⁶ that³⁷
is³⁸ therein.

Let³⁹ the⁴⁰ Lord⁴¹²
Yahweh be⁴² witness⁴³
against⁴⁴ you⁴⁵,

the⁴⁶ Lord⁴⁷ from⁴⁸
his⁴⁹ holy⁵⁰ temple⁵¹.

3For⁵² behold⁵³,³
Yahweh⁵⁴ comes⁵⁵ out⁵⁶
of⁵⁷ his⁵⁸ place⁵⁹,

and⁶⁰ will⁶¹ come⁶²
down⁶³ and⁶⁴ tread⁶⁵
on⁶⁶ the⁶⁷ high⁶⁸
places⁶⁹ of⁷⁰ the⁷¹
earth⁷².

¹+ 1:1 "Yahweh" is God's proper Name, sometimes rendered "LORD" (all caps) in other translations.

²+ 1:2 The word translated "Lord" is "Adonai."

³+ 1:3 "Behold", from ,יָבֹ֑חַ means look at, take notice, observe, see, or gaze at. It is often used as an interjection.

4The|strong = "H6440" mountains|strong = "H2022" melt|strong = "H4549"
under|strong = "H8478" him|strong = "H6440",

a nd|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H6440" valleys|strong = "H6010"
split|strong = "H1234" apart like|strong = "H8478" wax|strong = "H1749"
before|strong = "H6440" the|strong = "H6440" fire|strong = "H0784",

l ike|strong = "H8478" waters|strong = "H4325" that|strong = "H0784"
are|strong = "H6010" poured|strong = "H5064" down|strong = "H5064"
a|strong = "H8478" steep|strong = "H4174" place|strong = "H8478".

5“All|strong = "H3605" this|strong = "H2063" is|strong = "H4310"
for|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H3605" disobedience of|strong = "H1004"
Jacob|strong = "H3290",

a nd|strong = "H3063" for|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H3605"
sins|strong = "H2403" of|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H3605"
house|strong = "H1004" of|strong = "H1004" Israel|strong = "H3478".

W hat|strong = "H4310" is|strong = "H4310" the|strong = "H3605"
disobedience of|strong = "H1004" Jacob|strong = "H3290"?

I sn’t|strong = "H3808" it|strong = "H3808" Samaria|strong = "H8111"?

A nd|strong = "H3063" what|strong = "H4310" are|strong = "H3478"
the|strong = "H3605" high|strong = "H1116" places|strong = "H1116"
of|strong = "H1004" Judah|strong = "H3063"?

A ren’t they|strong = "H3808" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389"?

6Therefore I|strong = "H7760" will|strong = "H7704"
make|strong = "H7760" Samaria|strong = "H8111" like|strong = "H8111"
a|strong = "H7760" rubble heap|strong = "H5856" of|strong = "H7704"
the|strong = "H7760" field|strong = "H7704",

l ike|strong = "H8111" places|strong = "H4302" for|strong = "H0068"
planting|strong = "H4302" vineyards|strong = "H3754";

a nd|strong = "H0068" I|strong = "H7760" will|strong = "H7704"
pour|strong = "H5064" down|strong = "H5064" its|strong = "H7760"
stones|strong = "H0068" into|strong = "H1540" the|strong = "H7760"
valley|strong = "H1516",

a nd|strong = "H0068" I|strong = "H7760" will|strong = "H7704"
 uncover|strong = "H1540" its|strong = "H7760"
 foundations|strong = "H3247".

7All|strong = "H3605" her|strong = "H3605" idols|strong = "H6091"
 will|strong = "H0784" be|strong = "H7725" beaten to|strong = "H5704"
 pieces|strong = "H3807",

a ll|strong = "H3605" her|strong = "H3605" temple gifts|strong = "H0868"
 will|strong = "H0784" be|strong = "H7725" burned|strong = "H8313"
 with|strong = "H8313" fire|strong = "H0784",

a nd|strong = "H7725" I|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H0784"
 destroy|strong = "H3605" all|strong = "H3605" her|strong = "H3605"
 images|strong = "H6456";

f or|strong = "H3588" of|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605"
 hire|strong = "H0868" of|strong = "H3605" a|strong = "H3588"
 prostitute|strong = "H2181" has|strong = "H0784" she|strong = "H3588"
 gathered|strong = "H6908" them|strong = "H7725",

a nd|strong = "H7725" to|strong = "H5704" the|strong = "H3605"
 hire|strong = "H0868" of|strong = "H3605" a|strong = "H3588"
 prostitute|strong = "H2181" shall they|strong = "H3588"
 return|strong = "H7725".

8For|strong = "H5921" this|strong = "H2063" I|strong = "H5921"
 will|strong = "H1323" lament|strong = "H5594" and|strong = "H1323"
 wail|strong = "H3213".

I |strong = "H5921" will|strong = "H1323" go stripped
 and|strong = "H1323" naked|strong = "H6174".

I |strong = "H5921" will|strong = "H1323" howl|strong = "H3213"
 like|strong = "H1323" the|strong = "H5921" jackals|strong = "H8577"

a nd|strong = "H1323" mourn|strong = "H5594" like|strong = "H1323"
 the|strong = "H5921" ostriches|strong = "H3284".

9For|strong = "H3588" her|strong = "H0935" wounds|strong = "H4347"
 are|strong = "H8179" incurable|strong = "H0605";

f or|strong="H3588" it|strong="H3588" has|strong="H3063"
 come|strong="H0935" even|strong="H5704" to|strong="H0935"
 Judah|strong="H3063".

I t|strong="H3588" reaches|strong="H5704" to|strong="H0935"
 the|strong="H3588" gate|strong="H8179" of|strong="H8179"
 my|strong="H0935" people|strong="H5971",

e ven|strong="H5704" to|strong="H0935" Jerusalem|strong="H3389".

10Don't|strong="H0408" tell|strong="H5046" it in|strong="H5046"
 Gath|strong="H1661".

D on't|strong="H0408" weep|strong="H1058" at|strong="H1058"
 all|strong="H1058".

A t|strong="H1058" Beth Ophrah ⁴ I have rolled myself
 in|strong="H5046" the|strong="H5046" dust|strong="H6083".

11Pass|strong="H5674" on|strong="H3427",
 inhabitant|strong="H3427" of|strong="H3427" Shaphir|strong="H8208",
 in|strong="H3427" nakedness|strong="H6181" and|strong="H3318"
 shame|strong="H1322".

T he|strong="H4480" inhabitant|strong="H3427" of|strong="H3427"
 Zaanan|strong="H6630" won't|strong="H3808" come|strong="H3318"
 out|strong="H3318".

T he|strong="H4480" wailing of|strong="H3427" Beth Ezel
 will|strong="H3808" take|strong="H3947" from|strong="H4480"
 you|strong="H3808" his|strong="H3947" protection.

12For|strong="H3588" the|strong="H3588" inhabitant|strong="H3427"
 of|strong="H3068" Maroth|strong="H4796" waits anxiously
 for|strong="H3588" good|strong="H2896",

b ecause|strong="H3588" evil|strong="H7451" has|strong="H3068"
 come|strong="H3381" down|strong="H3381" from|strong="H3381"
 Yahweh|strong="H3068" to|strong="H3381" the|strong="H3588"
 gate|strong="H8179" of|strong="H3068" Jerusalem|strong="H3389".

⁴ + 1:10 Beth Ophrah means literally "House of Dust."

13Harness|strong = "H7573" the|strong = "H3588"
 chariot|strong = "H4818" to|strong = "H3478" the|strong = "H3588"
 swift|strong = "H7409" steed, inhabitant|strong = "H3427"
 of|strong = "H1323" Lachish|strong = "H3923".

S he|strong = "H1931" was|strong = "H3478" the|strong = "H3588"
 beginning|strong = "H7225" of|strong = "H1323" sin|strong = "H2403"
 to|strong = "H3478" the|strong = "H3588" daughter|strong = "H1323"
 of|strong = "H1323" Zion|strong = "H6726";

f or|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3588" transgressions|strong = "H6588"
 of|strong = "H1323" Israel|strong = "H3478" were|strong = "H3478"
 found|strong = "H4672" in|strong = "H3427" you|strong = "H3588".

14Therefore|strong = "H3651" you|strong = "H5414" will|strong = "H4428"
 give|strong = "H5414" a|strong = "H5414" parting|strong = "H7964"
 gift|strong = "H5414" to|strong = "H5921" Moresheth Gath.

T he|strong = "H5921" houses|strong = "H1004" of|strong = "H4428"
 Achzib|strong = "H0392" will|strong = "H4428" be|strong = "H3478"
 a|strong = "H5414" deceitful thing|strong = "H3651" to|strong = "H5921"
 the|strong = "H5921" kings|strong = "H4428" of|strong = "H4428"
 Israel|strong = "H3478".

15I|strong = "H5704" will|strong = "H3478" yet|strong = "H5750"
 bring|strong = "H0935" a|strong = "H0935" conqueror|strong = "H3423"
 to|strong = "H0935" you|strong = "H5704", inhabitants|strong = "H3427"
 of|strong = "H3427" Mareshah|strong = "H4762".

T he|strong = "H0935" glory|strong = "H3519" of|strong = "H3427"
 Israel|strong = "H3478" will|strong = "H3478" come|strong = "H0935"
 to|strong = "H0935" Adullam|strong = "H5725".

16Shave|strong = "H7139" your|strong = "H5921" heads,

a nd|strong = "H1121" cut|strong = "H1494" off|strong = "H5921"
 your|strong = "H5921" hair|strong = "H1494" for|strong = "H3588"
 the|strong = "H5921" children|strong = "H1121" of|strong = "H1121"
 your|strong = "H5921" delight|strong = "H8588".

E nlarge|strong = "H7337" your|strong = "H5921"
 baldness|strong = "H7144" like|strong = "H1121" the|strong = "H5921"
 vulture,

for they have gone into captivity from you!

Woe to those who devise iniquity!

and work evil on their beds!

When the morning is light, they practice it,

because it is in the power of their hand.

They covet fields and seize them,

and houses, then take them away.

They oppress a man and his house,

even a man and his heritage.

Therefore Yahweh says:

“Behold, I am planning against these people, a disaster,

from which you will not remove your necks,

n either will you walk haughtily,

for it is an evil time.

In that day they will take up against you,

and lament with a doleful lamentation,

‘ We are utterly ruined!’

My people’s possession is divided up.

Indeed he takes it from me and assigns our fields to traitors!”

Therefore you will have who divides the land by Yahweh’s assembly.

6“Don’t prophesy!”—they prophesy—

“ Don’t prophesy about these things.”

D isgrace won’t overtake us.”

7Shall it be said, O house of Jacob,

“ Is|strong = "H3068" Yahweh's|strong = "H3068" Spirit|strong = "H7307"
angry?

A re|strong = "H0428" these|strong = "H0428" his|strong = "H3068"
doings|strong = "H1697"?

D on't|strong = "H3808" my|strong = "H3068" words|strong = "H1697"
do|strong = "H3190" good|strong = "H3190" to|strong = "H0559"
him|strong = "H5973" who|strong = "H3068" walks|strong = "H1980"
blamelessly?"

8But|strong = "H5971" lately my|strong = "H7725"
people|strong = "H5971" have risen|strong = "H6965" up|strong = "H6965"
as|strong = "H6965" an|strong = "H6965" enemy|strong = "H0341".

Y ou|strong = "H7725" strip|strong = "H6584" the|strong = "H7725"
robe|strong = "H8008" and|strong = "H6965" clothing|strong = "H8008"
from|strong = "H7725" those who|strong = "H4421" pass|strong = "H5674"
by|strong = "H6965" without a|strong = "H6584" care,
returning|strong = "H7725" from|strong = "H7725" battle|strong = "H4421".

9You|strong = "H5921" drive|strong = "H1644" the|strong = "H5921"
women|strong = "H0802" of|strong = "H1004" my|strong = "H5921"
people|strong = "H5971" out|strong = "H1644" from|strong = "H5921"
their|strong = "H3947" pleasant|strong = "H8588" houses|strong = "H1004";

f rom|strong = "H5921" their|strong = "H3947" young
children|strong = "H5768" you|strong = "H5921" take|strong = "H3947"
away|strong = "H3947" my|strong = "H5921" blessing
forever|strong = "H5769".

10Arise|strong = "H6965", and|strong = "H6965" depart!

F or|strong = "H3588" this|strong = "H2063" is|strong = "H3588"
not|strong = "H3808" your|strong = "H3588" resting|strong = "H4496"
place|strong = "H4496",

b ecause|strong = "H3588" of|strong = "H3808" uncleanness
that|strong = "H3588" destroys,

e ven|strong = "H3588" with|strong = "H6965" a|strong = "H3588" grievous
destruction.

11 If a man walking in a spirit of falsehood lies, saying,

“ I will prophesy to you and drink wine and strong drink,”

he would be the prophet of strong people.

12 I will surely assemble all of you, Jacob.

I will surely gather the remnant of Israel.

I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah,

as the flock in the middle of their pasture.

They will swarm with people.

13 He who breaks open the way goes up before them.

They will break through the gate, and go out.

- T** heir|strong="H3068" king|strong="H4428" passes|strong="H5674"
on|strong="H3068" before|strong="H6440" them|strong="H6440",
- w** ith|strong="H3068" Yahweh|strong="H3068" at|strong="H3068"
their|strong="H3068" head|strong="H7218".
- 3I|strong="H3045" said|strong="H0559",
- “ Please|strong="H4994" listen|strong="H8085", you|strong="H3045"
heads|strong="H7218" of|strong="H1004" Jacob|strong="H3290",
- a** nd|strong="H3478" rulers|strong="H7101" of|strong="H1004"
the|strong="H0853" house|strong="H1004" of|strong="H1004"
Israel|strong="H3478":
- I** sn't|strong="H3808" it|strong="H3045" for|strong="H4941"
you|strong="H3045" to|strong="H0559" know|strong="H3045"
justice|strong="H4941"?”
- 2You|strong="H5921" who|strong="H8130" hate|strong="H8130"
the|strong="H5921" good|strong="H2896",
- a** nd|strong="H0157" love|strong="H0157" the|strong="H5921"
evil|strong="H7451";
- w** ho|strong="H8130" tear|strong="H1497" off|strong="H5921"
their|strong="H5921" skin|strong="H5785",
- a** nd|strong="H0157" their|strong="H5921" flesh|strong="H7607"
from|strong="H5921" off|strong="H5921" their|strong="H5921"
bones|strong="H6106";
- 3who|strong="H0834" also|strong="H0853" eat|strong="H0398"
the|strong="H0853" flesh|strong="H1320" of|strong="H5921"
my|strong="H5921" people|strong="H5971",
- a** nd|strong="H0398" peel their|strong="H5921" skin|strong="H5785"
from|strong="H5921" off|strong="H6584" them|strong="H0853",
- a** nd|strong="H0398" break|strong="H6476" their|strong="H5921"
bones|strong="H6106",

a nd|strong="H0398" chop|strong="H6566" them|strong="H0853"
in|strong="H5921" pieces, as|strong="H0834" for|strong="H5921"
the|strong="H0853" pot|strong="H5518",

a nd|strong="H0398" as|strong="H0834" meat|strong="H1320"
within|strong="H8432" the|strong="H0853" cauldron.

4Then|strong="H0227" they|strong="H1992" will|strong="H3068"
cry|strong="H2199" to|strong="H0413" Yahweh|strong="H3068",

b ut|strong="H3808" he|strong="H0834" will|strong="H3068"
not|strong="H3808" answer|strong="H6030" them|strong="H0413".

Y es, he|strong="H0834" will|strong="H3068" hide|strong="H5641"
his|strong="H3068" face|strong="H6440" from|strong="H6440"
them|strong="H0413" at|strong="H0413" that|strong="H0834"
time|strong="H6256",

b ecause|strong="H0834" they|strong="H1992" made|strong="H0834"
their|strong="H3068" deeds|strong="H4611" evil|strong="H7489".

5Yahweh|strong="H3068" says|strong="H0559"
concerning|strong="H5921" the|strong="H0853"
prophets|strong="H5030" who|strong="H0834" lead|strong="H8582"
my|strong="H5414" people|strong="H5971"
astray|strong="H8582"—for|strong="H5921" those|strong="H0834"
who|strong="H0834" feed their|strong="H3068" teeth|strong="H8127",
they|strong="H0834" proclaim|strong="H7121", "Peace|strong="H7965"!"
and|strong="H3068" whoever|strong="H0834" doesn't|strong="H3808"
provide|strong="H5414" for|strong="H5921" their|strong="H3068"
mouths|strong="H6310", they|strong="H0834" prepare|strong="H6942"
war|strong="H4421" against|strong="H5921" him|strong="H5414":

6"Therefore|strong="H3651" night|strong="H3915" is|strong="H3117"
over|strong="H5921" you|strong="H5921", with|strong="H5921" no
vision|strong="H2377",

a nd|strong="H0935" it|strong="H5921" is|strong="H3117"
dark|strong="H2821" to|strong="H0935" you|strong="H5921",
that|strong="H3117" you|strong="H5921" may|strong="H3117" not
divine|strong="H7080";

and the sun will go down on the prophets,

and the day will be black over them.

7The seers shall be disappointed,

and the diviners confounded.

Yes, they shall cover their lips,

for there is no answer from God.⁵

8But as for me, I am full by Yahweh's Spirit,

and of judgment, and of might,

to declare to Jacob his disobedience,

and to Israel his sin.

9Please listen to this, you of the house of Jacob,

⁵+ 3:7 The Hebrew word rendered "God" is "Elohim".

- a** nd|strong = "H3478" rulers|strong = "H7101" of|strong = "H1004"
the|strong = "H3605" house|strong = "H1004" of|strong = "H1004"
Israel|strong = "H3478",
- w** ho|strong = "H3605" abhor|strong = "H8581" justice|strong = "H4941",
- a** nd|strong = "H3478" pervert all|strong = "H3605" equity,
- 10who|strong = "H3389" build|strong = "H1129" up|strong = "H1129"
Zion|strong = "H6726" with|strong = "H3389" blood|strong = "H1818",
- a** nd|strong = "H3389" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389" with|strong = "H3389"
iniquity|strong = "H5766".
- 11Her|strong = "H5921" leaders|strong = "H7218" judge|strong = "H8199"
for|strong = "H5921" bribes|strong = "H7810",
- a** nd|strong = "H0935" her|strong = "H5921" priests|strong = "H3548"
teach|strong = "H3384" for|strong = "H5921" a|strong = "H0935"
price|strong = "H3701",
- a** nd|strong = "H0935" her|strong = "H5921" prophets|strong = "H5030"
of|strong = "H3068" it|strong = "H5921" tell|strong = "H0559" fortunes
for|strong = "H5921" money|strong = "H3701";
- y** et|strong = "H3068" they|strong = "H5921" lean|strong = "H8172"
on|strong = "H5921" Yahweh|strong = "H3068", and|strong = "H0935"
say|strong = "H0559",
- “ Isn't|strong = "H3808" Yahweh|strong = "H3068"
among|strong = "H7130" us|strong = "H5921"?”
- N** o|strong = "H3808" disaster|strong = "H7451" will|strong = "H3068"
come|strong = "H0935" on|strong = "H5921" us|strong = "H5921".”
- 12Therefore|strong = "H3651" Zion|strong = "H6726" for|strong = "H1004"
your|strong = "H1961" sake will|strong = "H1961" be|strong = "H1961"
plowed|strong = "H2790" like|strong = "H1961" a|strong = "H1961"
field|strong = "H7704",
- a** nd|strong = "H1004" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389" will|strong = "H1961"
become|strong = "H1961" heaps of|strong = "H1004" rubble,

a nd|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H1961" mountain|strong = "H2022"
of|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H1961" temple|strong = "H1004"
like|strong = "H1961" the|strong = "H1961" high|strong = "H1116"
places|strong = "H1116" of|strong = "H1004" a|strong = "H1961"
forest|strong = "H3293".

4But|strong = "H1961" in|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921"
latter|strong = "H0319" days|strong = "H3117",

i t|strong = "H1931" will|strong = "H3068" happen|strong = "H1961"
that|strong = "H3117" the|strong = "H5921" mountain|strong = "H2022"
of|strong = "H1004" Yahweh's|strong = "H3068" temple|strong = "H1004"
will|strong = "H3068" be|strong = "H1961" established|strong = "H3559"
on|strong = "H5921" the|strong = "H5921" top|strong = "H7218"
of|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H5921" mountains|strong = "H2022",

a nd|strong = "H3068" it|strong = "H1931" will|strong = "H3068"
be|strong = "H1961" exalted|strong = "H5375" above|strong = "H5921"
the|strong = "H5921" hills|strong = "H1389";

a nd|strong = "H3068" peoples|strong = "H5971" will|strong = "H3068"
stream to|strong = "H1961" it|strong = "H1931".

2Many|strong = "H7227" nations|strong = "H1471" will|strong = "H3068"
go|strong = "H1980" and|strong = "H1980" say|strong = "H0559",

“ Come|strong = "H1980"! Let's|strong = "H1980" go|strong = "H1980"
up|strong = "H5927" to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H0559"
mountain|strong = "H2022" of|strong = "H1004" Yahweh|strong = "H3068",

a nd|strong = "H1980" to|strong = "H0413" the|strong = "H0559"
house|strong = "H1004" of|strong = "H1004" the|strong = "H0559"
God|strong = "H0430" of|strong = "H1004" Jacob|strong = "H3290";

a nd|strong = "H1980" he|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H3068"
teach|strong = "H3384" us|strong = "H0413" of|strong = "H1004"
his|strong = "H3068" ways|strong = "H1870",

a nd|strong = "H1980" we|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H3068"
walk|strong = "H1980" in|strong = "H1980" his|strong = "H3068"
paths|strong = "H0734".”

F or|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H0559" law|strong = "H8451"
will|strong = "H3068" go|strong = "H1980" out|strong = "H3318"
of|strong = "H1004" Zion|strong = "H6726",

a nd|strong = "H1980" Yahweh's|strong = "H3068" word|strong = "H1697"
from|strong = "H3318" Jerusalem|strong = "H3389";

3and|strong = "H2719" he|strong = "H5704" will|strong = "H1471"
judge|strong = "H8199" between|strong = "H0996" many|strong = "H7227"
peoples|strong = "H5971",

a nd|strong = "H2719" will|strong = "H1471" decide|strong = "H3198"
concerning|strong = "H0413" strong|strong = "H6099"
nations|strong = "H1471" afar|strong = "H7350" off|strong = "H7350".

T hey|strong = "H3808" will|strong = "H1471" beat|strong = "H3807"
their|strong = "H5375" swords|strong = "H2719" into|strong = "H0413"
plowshares|strong = "H0855",

a nd|strong = "H2719" their|strong = "H5375" spears|strong = "H2595"
into|strong = "H0413" pruning|strong = "H4211" hooks|strong = "H4211".

N ation|strong = "H1471" will|strong = "H1471" not|strong = "H3808"
lift|strong = "H5375" up|strong = "H5375" sword|strong = "H2719"
against|strong = "H0413" nation|strong = "H1471",

n either|strong = "H3808" will|strong = "H1471" they|strong = "H3808"
learn|strong = "H3925" war|strong = "H4421" any|strong = "H5750"
more|strong = "H5750".

4But|strong = "H3588" every|strong = "H0376" man|strong = "H0376"
will|strong = "H3068" sit|strong = "H3427" under|strong = "H8478"
his|strong = "H3068" vine|strong = "H1612" and|strong = "H3068"
under|strong = "H8478" his|strong = "H3068" fig|strong = "H8384"
tree|strong = "H8384".

N o|strong = "H0369" one|strong = "H0376" will|strong = "H3068"
make|strong = "H2729" them|strong = "H8478" afraid|strong = "H2729",

f or|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3588" mouth|strong = "H6310"
of|strong = "H0376" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" of|strong = "H0376"
Armies|strong = "H6635" has|strong = "H3068" spoken|strong = "H1696". ⁵
Indeed|strong = "H3588" all|strong = "H3605" the|strong = "H3605"
nations|strong = "H5971" may|strong = "H0430" walk in|strong = "H0430"
the|strong = "H3605" name|strong = "H8034" of|strong = "H0376"
their|strong = "H3605" gods|strong = "H0430",

b ut|strong = "H3588" we|strong = "H0587" will|strong = "H3068" walk
in|strong = "H0430" the|strong = "H3605" name|strong = "H8034"
of|strong = "H0376" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" our|strong = "H3068"
God|strong = "H0430" forever|strong = "H5769" and|strong = "H3068"
ever|strong = "H5703".

6“In|strong = "H3068" that|strong = "H0834" day|strong = "H3117",
says|strong = "H5002" Yahweh|strong = "H3068",

“ I|strong = "H0834" will|strong = "H3068" assemble|strong = "H0622"
that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834" is|strong = "H0834"
lame|strong = "H6760",

a nd|strong = "H3068" I|strong = "H0834" will|strong = "H3068"
gather|strong = "H6908" that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834"
is|strong = "H0834" driven|strong = "H5080" away|strong = "H0622",

a nd|strong = "H3068" that|strong = "H0834" which|strong = "H0834"
I|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" afflicted;

7and|strong = "H3068" I|strong = "H5704" will|strong = "H3068"
make|strong = "H7760" that|strong = "H3068" which|strong = "H1471"
was|strong = "H3068" lame|strong = "H6760" a|strong = "H7760"
remnant|strong = "H7611",

a nd|strong = "H3068" that|strong = "H3068" which|strong = "H1471"
was|strong = "H3068" cast far|strong = "H5704" off|strong = "H5921"
a|strong = "H7760" strong|strong = "H6099" nation|strong = "H1471":

a nd|strong = "H3068" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" will|strong = "H3068"
reign|strong = "H4427" over|strong = "H5921" them|strong = "H0853"
on|strong = "H5921" Mount|strong = "H2022" Zion|strong = "H6726"
from|strong = "H5921" then|strong = "H6258" on|strong = "H5921",
even|strong = "H5704" forever|strong = "H5769".”

8 You the tower of the flock, the hill of the daughter of Zion,

to you it will come.

Yes, the former dominion will come,

the kingdom of the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Now why do you cry aloud?

Is there no king in you?

Has your counselor perished,

that your pains have taken you as a woman in travail?

10 Be in pain, and labor in birth, daughter of Zion,

like a woman in travail;

for now you will go out of the city,

and will dwell in the field,

and will come even to Babylon.

There you will be rescued.

There Yahweh will redeem you from the hand of your enemies.

11 Now many nations have assembled against you, that say,

“ Let her be defiled,

and let our eye gloat over Zion.”

12 But they don't know the thoughts of Yahweh,

neither do they understand his counsel;

for he has gathered the sheaves to thresh on the floor.

13 Arise and thresh, daughter of Zion,

for I will make your horn iron,

a nd I will make your bronze

Y ou will beat in pieces many peoples.

I will devote their gain to Yahweh,

a nd their substance to the Lord of the whole earth.

5 Now you shall gather yourself in troops,

d aughter of troops.

H e has laid siege against us.

T hey will strike the judge of Israel with a rod on the cheek.

2 But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,

b eing small among the clans of Judah,

o ut of you one will come out who is to be ruler in Israel;

w hose goings out are from old times, from ancient times.

3Therefore he will abandon them until the time that she who is in labor gives birth.

Then the rest of his brothers will return to the children of Israel.

4He shall stand, and in the strength of Yahweh,

in the majesty of the name of Yahweh his God.

They will live, for then he will be great to the ends of the earth.

5He will be our peace when Assyria invades our land

and when he marches through our fortresses,

then we will raise against him seven shepherds,

and eight leaders of men.

6They will rule the land of Assyria with the sword,

and the land of Nimrod in its gates.

He will deliver us from the Assyrian,

when he invades our land,

and when he marches within our border.

The remnant of Jacob will be among many peoples

like dew from Yahweh,

like showers on the grass,

that don't wait for man

nor wait for the sons of men.

The remnant of Jacob will be among the nations,

among many peoples,

like a lion among the animals of the forest,

like a young lion among the flocks of sheep;

who, if he goes through, treads down and tears in pieces,

and there is no one to deliver.

Let your hand be lifted up above your adversaries,

and let all of your enemies be cut off.

10 "It will happen in that day", says Yahweh,

" that I will cut off your horses from among you

and will destroy your chariots.

11 I will cut off the cities of your land

and will tear down all your strongholds.

12 I will destroy witchcraft from your hand.

You shall have no soothsayers.

13 I will cut off your engraved images and your pillars from among you;

a nd|strong = "H0842" you|strong = "H7130" shall no more worship
the|strong = "H7130" work of|strong = "H7130" your|strong = "H7130"
hands.

14I|strong = "H0834" will|strong = "H0834" uproot your|strong = "H0834"
Asherah poles from|strong = "H0805" among|strong = "H0854"
you|strong = "H0834";

a nd|strong = "H0805" I|strong = "H0834" will|strong = "H0834"
destroy|strong = "H6213" your|strong = "H0834" cities.

15I will execute vengeance in anger

a nd wrath on the nations that didn't listen."

6Listen|strong = "H0805" now|strong = "H4994" to|strong = "H0559"
what|strong = "H0834" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" says|strong = "H0559":

“ Arise|strong = "H6965", plead|strong = "H7378" your|strong = "H3068"
case|strong = "H7378" before|strong = "H0854" the|strong = "H0853"
mountains|strong = "H2022",

a nd|strong = "H6965" let|strong = "H4994" the|strong = "H0853"
hills|strong = "H1389" hear|strong = "H0805" what|strong = "H0834"
you|strong = "H0834" have|strong = "H0834" to|strong = "H0559"
say|strong = "H0559".

2Hear|strong = "H0805", you|strong = "H3588"
mountains|strong = "H2022", Yahweh's|strong = "H3068"
indictment|strong = "H7379",

a nd|strong = "H3068" you|strong = "H3588" enduring|strong = "H0386"
foundations|strong = "H4146" of|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H0853"
earth|strong = "H0776";

f or|strong = "H3588" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" has|strong = "H3068"
a|strong = "H3588" case|strong = "H7379" against|strong = "H5973"
his|strong = "H3068" people|strong = "H5971",

a nd|strong = "H3068" he|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H3068"
contend|strong = "H7379" with|strong = "H5973" Israel|strong = "H3478".

3 My people, what have I done to you?
 have I burdened you?

How have I burdened you?

Answer me!

4 For I brought you up
 out of the land of
 Egypt,

and redeemed you
 out of the house
 of bondage.

I sent Moses, Aaron,
 and Miriam.

5 My people, remember
 now what Balak
 Moab devised,

and what Balaam
 the son of Beor
 answered him
 from Shittim
 to Gilgal,

that you may know
 the righteous
 acts of Yahweh.

6 How shall I
 come before Yahweh,

and bow myself
 before the exalted
 God?

S hall|strong = "H1121" I|strong = "H8141" come|strong = "H6923"
before|strong = "H6923" him|strong = "H0430" with|strong = "H3068"
burnt|strong = "H5930" offerings|strong = "H3068",

w ith|strong = "H3068" calves|strong = "H5695" a|strong = "H3068"
year|strong = "H8141" old|strong = "H1121"?"

7Will|strong = "H3068" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" be|strong = "H3068"
pleased|strong = "H7521" with|strong = "H3068" thousands|strong = "H0505"
of|strong = "H3068" rams|strong = "H0352"?"

W ith|strong = "H3068" tens of|strong = "H3068"
thousands|strong = "H0505" of|strong = "H3068" rivers of|strong = "H3068"
oil|strong = "H8081"?"

S hall|strong = "H3068" I|strong = "H5414" give|strong = "H5414"
my|strong = "H5414" firstborn|strong = "H1060" for|strong = "H3068"
my|strong = "H5414" disobedience?

T he|strong = "H5414" fruit|strong = "H6529" of|strong = "H3068"
my|strong = "H5414" body|strong = "H0990" for|strong = "H3068"
the|strong = "H5414" sin|strong = "H2403" of|strong = "H3068"
my|strong = "H5414" soul|strong = "H5315"?"

8He|strong = "H3588" has|strong = "H3068" shown|strong = "H5046"
you|strong = "H3588", O|strong = "H3068" man|strong = "H0120",
what|strong = "H4100" is|strong = "H3068" good|strong = "H2896".

W hat|strong = "H4100" does|strong = "H6213" Yahweh|strong = "H3068"
require|strong = "H1875" of|strong = "H0430" you|strong = "H3588",
but|strong = "H3588" to|strong = "H3068" act|strong = "H6213"
justly|strong = "H4941",

t o|strong = "H3068" love|strong = "H0160" mercy|strong = "H3068",
and|strong = "H3068" to|strong = "H3068" walk humbly|strong = "H6800"
with|strong = "H5973" your|strong = "H3068" God|strong = "H0430"?"

9Yahweh's|strong = "H3068" voice|strong = "H6963"
calls|strong = "H7121" to|strong = "H3068" the|strong = "H8085"
city|strong = "H5892"—

a nd|strong = "H3068" wisdom|strong = "H8454" fears|strong = "H3372"
your|strong = "H3068" name|strong = "H8034"—

“ Listen to the
rod,

and he who
appointed it”.

10 Are there yet
treasures of wickedness
in the house
of the wicked,

and a short
ephah⁶ that is
accused?

11 Shall I tolerate
dishonest scales,

and a bag
of deceitful weights?

12 Her rich men
are full of
violence,

her inhabitants
speak lies,

and their tongue
is deceitful in
their speech.

13 Therefore I also
have struck you
with a grievous wound.

I have made
you desolate because
of your sins.

⁶+ 6:10 An ephah is a measure of volume (about 22 liters or about 2/3 of a bushel), and a short ephah is made smaller than a full ephah for the purpose of cheating customers.

14 You shall eat, but not be satisfied.

Your hunger will be within you.

You will store up, but not save,

and you shall save I will give up to the sword.

15 You will sow, but won't reap.

You will tread the olives, but won't anoint yourself with oil;

and you won't drink the wine.

16 For the statutes of Omri are kept,

and all the works of Ahab's house.

You walk in their counsels,

that I may make you a ruin,

and your inhabitants shall hiss.

Y ou|strong = "H5414" will|strong = "H1004" bear|strong = "H5375"
the|strong = "H3605" reproach|strong = "H2781" of|strong = "H1004"
my|strong = "H3605" people|strong = "H5971".

7Misery is|strong = "H0369" mine!

I ndeed|strong = "H3588", I|strong = "H3588" am|strong = "H1961"
like|strong = "H1961" one|strong = "H0369" who|strong = "H5315"
gathers|strong = "H0625" the|strong = "H3588" summer|strong = "H7019"
fruits, as|strong = "H1961" gleanings|strong = "H5955" of|strong = "H5315"
the|strong = "H3588" vineyard.

T here|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369" no|strong = "H0369"
cluster|strong = "H0811" of|strong = "H5315" grapes to|strong = "H1961"
eat|strong = "H0398".

M y|strong = "H1961" soul|strong = "H5315" desires|strong = "H0183"
to|strong = "H1961" eat|strong = "H0398" the|strong = "H3588" early
fig|strong = "H1063".

2The|strong = "H3605" godly|strong = "H2623" man|strong = "H0376"
has|strong = "H0369" perished|strong = "H0006" out|strong = "H4480"
of|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H3605" earth|strong = "H0776",

a nd|strong = "H0776" there|strong = "H0369" is|strong = "H0369"
no|strong = "H0369" one|strong = "H0376" upright|strong = "H3477"
among|strong = "H4480" men|strong = "H0376".

T hey|strong = "H0376" all|strong = "H3605" lie|strong = "H0693"
in|strong = "H0776" wait|strong = "H0693" for|strong = "H0776"
blood|strong = "H1818";

e very|strong = "H3605" man|strong = "H0376" hunts|strong = "H6679"
his|strong = "H3605" brother|strong = "H0251" with|strong = "H0376"
a|strong = "H4480" net.

3Their|strong = "H5921" hands|strong = "H3709" are|strong = "H8269"
on|strong = "H5921" that|strong = "H1931" which|strong = "H1931"
is|strong = "H1931" evil|strong = "H7451" to|strong = "H1696"
do|strong = "H3190" it|strong = "H1931" diligently.

T he|strong="H5921" ruler|strong="H8269" and|strong="H1419"
judge|strong="H8199" ask|strong="H7592" for|strong="H5921"
a|strong="H1696" bribe|strong="H7966".

T he|strong="H5921" powerful man|strong="H5315" dictates
the|strong="H5921" evil|strong="H7451" desire|strong="H5315"
of|strong="H8269" his|strong="H5921" soul|strong="H5315".

T hus they|strong="H5921" conspire together|strong="H5921".

4The|strong="H0935" best|strong="H2896" of|strong="H3117"
them|strong="H0935" is|strong="H3117" like|strong="H1961"
a|strong="H1961" brier.

T he|strong="H0935" most upright|strong="H3477" is|strong="H3117"
worse than|strong="H2896" a|strong="H1961" thorn|strong="H4534"
hedge|strong="H4534".

T he|strong="H0935" day|strong="H3117" of|strong="H3117"
your|strong="H0935" watchmen|strong="H6822",

e ven your|strong="H0935" visitation, has|strong="H1961"
come|strong="H0935";

n ow|strong="H6258" is|strong="H3117" the|strong="H0935"
time|strong="H3117" of|strong="H3117" their|strong="H0935"
confusion|strong="H3998".

5Don't|strong="H0408" trust|strong="H0982" in|strong="H0982"
a|strong="H7453" neighbor|strong="H7453".

D on't|strong="H0408" put|strong="H0982" confidence|strong="H0982"
in|strong="H0982" a|strong="H7453" friend|strong="H7453".

W ith|strong="H7901" the|strong="H8104" woman
lying|strong="H7901" in|strong="H0982" your|strong="H8104" embrace,

b e|strong="H0408" careful|strong="H8104" of|strong="H6310"
the|strong="H8104" words|strong="H6310" of|strong="H6310"
your|strong="H8104" mouth|strong="H6310"!

6For|strong = "H3588" the|strong = "H3588" son|strong = "H1121"
dishonors the|strong = "H3588" father|strong = "H0001",

t he|strong = "H3588" daughter|strong = "H1323" rises|strong = "H6965"
up|strong = "H6965" against|strong = "H0376" her|strong = "H3588"
mother|strong = "H0517",

t he|strong = "H3588" daughter-in-law|strong = "H3618"
against|strong = "H0376" her|strong = "H3588"
mother-in-law|strong = "H2545";

a |strong = "H3588" man's|strong = "H0376" enemies|strong = "H0341"
are|strong = "H0376" the|strong = "H3588" men|strong = "H0376"
of|strong = "H1121" his|strong = "H0376" own|strong = "H0376"
house|strong = "H1004".

7But|strong = "H8085" as|strong = "H3068" for|strong = "H3068"
me|strong = "H0589", I|strong = "H0589" will|strong = "H3068" look
to|strong = "H3068" Yahweh|strong = "H3068".

I |strong = "H0589" will|strong = "H3068" wait|strong = "H3176"
for|strong = "H3068" the|strong = "H8085" God|strong = "H0430"
of|strong = "H0430" my|strong = "H8085" salvation|strong = "H3468".

M y|strong = "H8085" God|strong = "H0430" will|strong = "H3068"
hear|strong = "H8085" me|strong = "H0589".

8Don't|strong = "H0408" rejoice|strong = "H8055"
against|strong = "H3427" me|strong = "H8055", my|strong = "H3068"
enemy|strong = "H0341".

W hen|strong = "H3588" I|strong = "H3588" fall|strong = "H5307",
I|strong = "H3588" will|strong = "H3068" arise|strong = "H6965".

W hen|strong = "H3588" I|strong = "H3588" sit|strong = "H3427"
in|strong = "H3427" darkness|strong = "H2822", Yahweh|strong = "H3068"
will|strong = "H3068" be|strong = "H0408" a|strong = "H3588"
light|strong = "H0216" to|strong = "H3068" me|strong = "H8055".

9I|strong = "H0834" will|strong = "H3068" bear|strong = "H5375"
the|strong = "H0834" indignation|strong = "H2197" of|strong = "H3068"
Yahweh|strong = "H3068",

b ecause|strong="H3588" I|strong="H0834" have|strong="H0834" sinned|strong="H2398" against|strong="H2398" him|strong="H7200",

u ntil|strong="H5704" he|strong="H0834" pleads|strong="H7378" my|strong="H3068" case|strong="H7379" and|strong="H3068" executes judgment|strong="H4941" for|strong="H3588" me|strong="H7200".

H e|strong="H0834" will|strong="H3068" bring|strong="H3318" me|strong="H7200" out|strong="H3318" to|strong="H5704" the|strong="H0834" light|strong="H0216".

I |strong="H0834" will|strong="H3068" see|strong="H7200" his|strong="H3068" righteousness|strong="H6666".

10Then|strong="H1961" my|strong="H3068" enemy|strong="H0341" will|strong="H3068" see|strong="H7200" it|strong="H7200",

a nd|strong="H3068" shame|strong="H0955" will|strong="H3068" cover|strong="H3680" her|strong="H0413" who|strong="H3068" said|strong="H0559" to|strong="H0413" me|strong="H0413",

“ Where|strong="H0346" is|strong="H3068" Yahweh|strong="H3068" your|strong="H3068" God|strong="H0430”?

M y|strong="H3068" eyes|strong="H5869" will|strong="H3068" see|strong="H7200" her|strong="H0413".

N ow|strong="H6258" she will|strong="H3068" be|strong="H1961" trodden down|strong="H4823" like|strong="H1961" the|strong="H0559" mire|strong="H2916" of|strong="H0430" the|strong="H0559" streets|strong="H2351".

11A|strong="H1129" day|strong="H3117" to|strong="H3117" build|strong="H1129" your|strong="H3117" walls|strong="H1447"!

I n|strong="H3117" that|strong="H3117" day|strong="H3117", he|strong="H1931" will|strong="H3117" extend your|strong="H3117" boundary|strong="H2706".

12 In that day they will come to you from Assyria and the cities of Egypt,

and from Egypt even to the River,

and from sea to sea,

and mountain to mountain.

13 Yet the land will be desolate because of those who dwell therein,

for the fruit of their doings.

14 Shepherd your people with your staff,

the flock of your heritage,

who dwell by themselves in a forest.

Let them feed in the middle of fertile pasture land,

in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

15“As|strong = "H3117" in|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H7200" days|strong = "H3117" of|strong = "H0776" your|strong = "H7200" coming|strong = "H3318" out|strong = "H3318" of|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H7200" land|strong = "H0776" of|strong = "H0776" Egypt|strong = "H4714",

I |strong = "H3117" will|strong = "H0776" show|strong = "H7200" them|strong = "H3318" marvelous|strong = "H6381" things|strong = "H6381".”

16The|strong = "H3605" nations|strong = "H1471" will|strong = "H1471" see|strong = "H7200" and|strong = "H3027" be|strong = "H3027" ashamed|strong = "H0954" of|strong = "H3027" all|strong = "H3605" their|strong = "H3605" might|strong = "H1369".

T hey|strong = "H5921" will|strong = "H1471" lay|strong = "H7760" their|strong = "H3605" hand|strong = "H3027" on|strong = "H5921" their|strong = "H3605" mouth|strong = "H6310".

T heir|strong = "H3605" ears|strong = "H0241" will|strong = "H1471" be|strong = "H3027" deaf.

17They|strong = "H3068" will|strong = "H3068" lick|strong = "H3897" the|strong = "H0413" dust|strong = "H6083" like|strong = "H0776" a|strong = "H4480" serpent|strong = "H5175".

L ike|strong = "H0776" crawling|strong = "H7264" things of|strong = "H0776" the|strong = "H0413" earth|strong = "H0776", they|strong = "H3068" will|strong = "H3068" come|strong = "H6342" trembling|strong = "H7264" out|strong = "H4480" of|strong = "H0776" their|strong = "H3068" dens.

T hey|strong = "H3068" will|strong = "H3068" come|strong = "H6342" with|strong = "H0413" fear|strong = "H3372" to|strong = "H0413" Yahweh|strong = "H3068" our|strong = "H3068" God|strong = "H0430",

a nd|strong = "H3068" will|strong = "H3068" be|strong = "H3068" afraid|strong = "H3372" because|strong = "H4480" of|strong = "H0776" you|strong = "H4480".

18Who|strong = "H4310" is|strong = "H1931" a|strong = "H3588" God|strong = "H0410" like|strong = "H3644" you|strong = "H3588", who|strong = "H4310" pardons|strong = "H5375" iniquity|strong = "H5771",