

Isaiah 33

Chapter 33

¹ **W**OE to thee that spoilest, and thou *wast* not spoiled; and dealest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee! when thou shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; *and* when thou shalt make an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.

² O LORD, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee: be thou their arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.

³ At the noise of the tumult the people fled; at the lifting up of thyself the nations were scattered.

⁴ And your spoil shall be gathered *like* the gathering of the caterpillar: as the running to and fro of locusts shall he run upon them.

⁵ The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.

⁶ And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, *and* strength of salvation: the fear of the LORD *is* his treasure.

⁷ Behold, their valiant ones shall cry without: the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly.

⁸ The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken the covenant, he hath despised the cities, he

regardeth no man.

⁹ The earth mourneth *and* languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed *and* hewn down: Sharon is like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel shake off *their fruits*.

¹⁰ Now will I rise, saith the LORD; now will I be exalted; now will I lift up myself.

¹¹ Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath, *as* fire, shall devour you.

¹² And the people shall be *as* the burnings of lime: *as* thorns cut up shall they be burned in the fire.

¹³ ¶ Hear, ye *that are* far off, what I have done; and, ye *that are* near, acknowledge my might.

¹⁴ The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

¹⁵ He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;

¹⁶ He shall dwell on high: his place of defence *shall be* the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters *shall be* sure.

¹⁷ Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off.

¹⁸ Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where *is* the scribe?
where *is* the receiver? where *is* he that counted the towers?

¹⁹ Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper
speech than thou canst perceive; of a stammering tongue,
that thou canst not understand.

²⁰ Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes
shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle *that*
shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall
ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be
broken.

²¹ But there the glorious LORD *will be* unto us a place of
broad rivers *and* streams; wherein shall go no galley with
oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.

²² For the LORD *is* our judge, the LORD *is* our lawgiver, the
LORD *is* our king; he will save us.

²³ Thy tacklings are loosed; they could not well strengthen
their mast, they could not spread the sail: then is the prey of
a great spoil divided; the lame take the prey.

²⁴ And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people
that dwell therein *shall be* forgiven *their* iniquity.