

# Micah 7

## Chapter 7

<sup>1</sup> **W**OE is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: *there is* no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

<sup>2</sup> The good *man* is perished out of the earth: and *there is* none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.

<sup>3</sup> ¶ That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge *asketh* for a reward; and the great *man*, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

<sup>4</sup> The best of them *is* as a brier: the most upright *is sharper* than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen *and* thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

<sup>5</sup> ¶ Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.

<sup>6</sup> For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies *are* the men of his own house.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

<sup>8</sup> ¶ Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I

shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD *shall be* a light unto me.

<sup>9</sup> I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, *and* I shall behold his righteousness.

<sup>10</sup> Then *she that is* mine enemy shall see *it*, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.

<sup>11</sup> *In* the day that thy walls are to be built, *in* that day shall the decree be far removed.

<sup>12</sup> *In* that day *also* he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and *from* the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and *from* mountain to mountain.

<sup>13</sup> Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

<sup>14</sup> ¶ Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily *in* the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed *in* Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

<sup>15</sup> According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous *things*.

<sup>16</sup> ¶ The nations shall see and be confounded at all their

might: they shall lay *their* hand upon *their* mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

<sup>17</sup> They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.

<sup>18</sup> Who *is* a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth *in* mercy.

<sup>19</sup> He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

<sup>20</sup> Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, *and* the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.