### Isaiah

## Chapter 33

1‘Woe to those who bring misery,  
 But, who are made miserable by no one,  
 As well as those who show no respect,  
 But who are highly regarded.  
 For, those who don’t show respect  
 Will then be captured and [squashed]  
 Like a moth that’s caught in a robe and destroyed.’  
  
2O Jehovah,  
  
Show mercy upon us,  
 For we are relying on You.  
 Destroy the offspring of those who oppose us,  
 But save us in our time of oppression!  
  
3Your fearful sounds will startle the people,  
 And in fear, the nations will scatter.  
 4But then, You will gather Your spoils great and small  
 As though You were picking up locusts.  
  
5Holy is The God who lives in the skies;  
 For, He will fill Zion with fairness and justice.  
 6In that time, He’ll become a foundation that’s firm…  
 A source of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge.  
 For in Him, all wisdom and knowledge exists…  
 And fear of God [is the key] to this treasure.  
  
7{Look!} Yes, those fearing You will be frightened…  
 They’ll scream in fear over You!  
 For, You will send angels that will bring peace,  
 And this will cause the unrighteous to weep,  
 8Since that will bring an end to their [evil] ways.  
  
And the nations will also have reasons for fear,  
 Because of the treaties they’ve broken,  
 And because they’ve [not shown You] respect.  
  
9So the lands will all go into mourning,  
 And Lebanon will be brought to shame.  
 But our marshes will then be like ShaRon,  
 And like Galilee and CarMel, they’ll shine.  
  
 10‘Yes, that’s when I will stand tall,’ says Jehovah…  
 ‘I’ll be glorified and respected.  
 11When you see it, you’ll then understand  
 That their other efforts have all been in vain.  
  
 ‘For their spirits will be burned as by fire…  
 12By the gentiles, they will be consumed  
 Like thorn bushes out in the fields,  
 Which have been tossed in the flames.  
  
 13‘Then, from far away, they’ll hear what I’ve done;  
 And those who come here will know of My might.  
 14For, when the lawless are taken from Zion,  
 The irreverent will all start to shake.  
  
 ‘So, who will make the announcement…  
 The announcement that the fire has been lit?  
 Yes, who will speak of such things  
 In this ancient place of the ages?  
 15Just the one who is walking uprightly;  
 The one who tells things just as they are;  
 The one who hates lawless ways and injustice;  
 The one whose hands shake off bribes;  
 The one who won’t listen to judgments of blood  
 And whose eyelids are closed to injustice.  
  
 16‘At that time, he will stay in a cave in the heights,  
 Which is surrounded by boulders.  
 His bread will also be given to him,  
 And he can trust [that he will have] water.  
  
 17‘Then your eyes will see a glorious king  
 Coming from a far-away land…  
 18And your souls will contemplate fear.  
  
 ‘Then, what will happen to all of the scribes…  
 What will happen to all the advisors…  
 What will happen to the accountants and their records?  
  
 19‘From the small to the great, they don’t take advice,  
 Nor do they heed any warnings  
 About the ways they’re mistreating the people…  
 So, none understand what [I’m saying].  
  
 20‘O great city on Zion;  
 Look and see your salvation…  
 See JeruSalem as a city of wealth,  
 Filled with unshakable tents.  
  
 ‘There the tent poles will last throughout the ages,  
 So their cords won’t have to be pulled,  
 21And they’ll be called by the Name of Jehovah.  
  
 ‘There’ll be aqueducts and wide rivers;  
 But, you will not travel upon them,  
 For boats will never be rowed there.’  
  
22So my God, Jehovah, won’t pass me by,  
 Because the Lord is our judge…  
 Yes, He is our ruler and king,  
 And He will bring us salvation!  
  
23But now, all their ropes will be pulled up,  
 And the masts on their boats will be weak…  
 They’ll lean, so their sails cannot be unfurled,  
 And their flags will never be raised  
 Until all that they have has been plundered…  
 Yes, taken by even the lame!  
 24But those who are left won’t say they are tired,  
 For their sins will have all been forgiven.