

ISAIAH 31

Verses 1-5 Poetry
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- Verse 1
(and) Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help,
Woe to them that stay (rely) on horses and trust in chariots.
- (and) They stay (rely) on horses because they are many,
They trust in chariots because they are very strong.
- (But) They look not unto the Holy One of Israel,
Neither do they seek the Lord (in revelation)!
- Verse 2 (Yet) **The Holy One of Israel is wise:**
- (and) He will bring evil (or consequences),
(and) He will not call back his words.
- (But) He will arise against a house (Tribe of Judah) of evildoers,
(and) He will arise against a help of them (Egypt) that work iniquity.
- Verse 3 (Now) The Egyptians are men, and not God,
(and) Their horses are flesh, and not spirit.
- When the Lord shall stretch out his hand:**
- (Both) He that helpeth shall fall (stumble) down,
(and) He that is holpen shall fall down and they shall fail together.
- Verse 4 **For thus hath the Lord spoken unto me:**
- Like as** the lion and the young lion roaring on his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is called forth against him. He will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself (be subject to another's command) for the noise of them.
- So** shall the Lord of Hosts come down to fight for Mount Zion, and for the Hill thereof.
- Verse 5 **As** birds flying (hovering over a nest),
So shall the Lord of Hosts defend Jerusalem.

(and) Defending it, he will deliver it,
Passing over (it), he will preserve it.

(“Passing over” – “Hovering Over” or “Flying Over” – As with the “Passover” during Moses’ time. See Exodus 1-18)

Verse 6 Turn ye unto him (the Lord) from whom (you) have deeply revolted,
O Children of Israel.

Verse 7 **For in that day:**

(and) Every one of you shall cast away your idols of silver and gold.
Every one of you shall cast away the idols, which your own
hands have made, unto you for a sin.

Verse 8 **Then shall the Assyrian fall with a sword (not made of man):**

(They) shall not fall of a mighty man,
(They) shall not be devoured of a mean (ordinary) man.

(but) (They) shall flee from the sword,
(and) (Their) young men shall be discomfited (melt - from fear).

Verse 9 (And) (Their captain) shall pass over to his strong hold for fear,
(and) His princes (their officers) shall be afraid of the ensign (even a battle flag).

Thus saith the Lord:

(and) The Lord whose *fire* is in Zion,
The Lord whose *furnace* is in Jerusalem.

(The “Glory of the Lord” or his “fire & terror” shall be at the center of Zion and Jerusalem during the Millennium. See Isaiah 24:23, 33: 14, and D&C 45:66-67)