

Isaiah 32 - The Reign of a Righteous King; Consequences of Complacency

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- 1 Behold, a king will reign righteously, And officials will rule justly.
- 1 Behold, a king will reign righteously And princes will rule justly.
- 1 "Look, a king will reign in righteousness, and rulers will rule with justice.
- 1 Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.
 - The king reigning in righteousness will be the Lord Jesus. Along with Him there will be "officials" who will be in positions of authority and just in character.
 - Cf. See note: **Duties of the Princes** in Ezek 45:8; see also Haggai 2:20-23
- 2 Each will be like a refuge from the wind And a shelter from the storm, Like streams of water in a dry country, Like the shade of a huge rock in an exhausted land.
- 2 Each will be like a refuge from the wind And a shelter from the storm, Like streams of water in a dry country, Like the shade of a huge rock in a parched land.
- 2 Each one will be like a shelter from the wind and a hiding place from storms, like streams of water in the desert, in the shadow of a great rock in an exhausted land.
- 2 And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

- 3 Then the eyes of those who see will not be blinded, And the ears of those who hear will listen.
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- 3 Then the eyes of those who can see won't turn away, and the ears of those who can hear will listen.
- 3 And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall hearken.

4 The mind of the rash will discern the truth, And the tongue of the stammerers will hurry to speak clearly.

4 The mind of the hasty will discern the truth, And the tongue of the stammerers will hasten to speak clearly.

4 The hearts of reckless people will understand sound judgment, and the tongues of those who stammer will be ready to speak clearly.

4 The heart also of the rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak plainly.

5 No longer will the fool be called noble, Or the rogue be spoken of as generous.

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5 People will no longer call a fool noble, nor will a bad person be declared honorable.

5 The vile person shall be no more called liberal, nor the churl said to be bountiful.

6 For a fool speaks nonsense, And his heart inclines toward wickedness: To practice ungodliness and to speak error against the LORD, To keep the hungry person unsatisfied And to withhold drink from the thirsty.

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6 For fools utter contempt, and their minds plot wrong things: practicing ungodliness, spreading lies about the LORD, leaving the pangs of hungry people unsatisfied, and depriving thirsty people of drink.

6 For the vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work iniquity, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.

7 As for a rogue, his weapons are evil; He devises wicked schemes To destroy *the* poor with slander, Even though *the* needy one speaks what is right.

7 As for a rogue, his weapons are evil; He devises wicked schemes To destroy *the* afflicted with slander, Even though *the* needy one speaks what is right.

7 Furthermore, the crimes of bad people are evil; and they devise wicked schemes, destroying the poor with lying words, even when needy people plead a just cause.

7 The instruments also of the churl are evil: he deviseth wicked devices to destroy the poor with lying words, even when the needy speaketh right.

8 But the noble person devises noble plans; And by noble plans he stands.

- 8 But the noble man devises noble plans; And by noble plans he stands.
- 8 But those who are decent plan noble things, and by noble deeds they stand."
- 8 But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he stand.

The Righteous Kingdom Preceded by Tribulation

- 9 Rise up, you women who are at ease, *And hear my voice; Listen to my word, You complacent daughters.*
- 9 Rise up, you women who are at ease, *And hear my voice; Give ear to my word, You complacent daughters.*
- 9 "As for you ladies of leisure— Get up and listen to my voice! You daughters who feel so complacent— hear what I have to say!
- 9 Rise up, ye women that are at ease; hear my voice, ye careless daughters; give ear unto my speech.
- 10 Within a year and a few days You will be troubled, you complacent *daughters*; For the vintage is ended, *And the fruit gathering will not come.*
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- 10 In little more than a year, you complacent women will shudder; for the grape harvest will fail, and the fruit harvest will not come.
- 10 Many days and years shall ye be troubled, ye careless women: for the vintage shall fail, the gathering shall not come.
- 11 Tremble, you women who are at ease; Be troubled, you complacent *daughters*; Strip, undress, and put *sackcloth* on your waist,
- 11 Tremble, you women who are at ease; Be troubled, you complacent *daughters*; Strip, undress and put *sackcloth* on your waist,
- 11 So tremble, you ladies of leisure! Shudder, you daughters who feel so complacent! Strip down and make yourselves naked down to the waist! Then wrap yourself in *sackcloth* and beat your breasts.
- 11 Tremble, ye women that are at ease; be troubled, ye careless ones: strip you, and make you bare, and gird *sackcloth* upon your loins.

The Devastation

- 12 Beat your breasts for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine,
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- 12 For people will be beating their breasts in mourning over the pleasant fields, over the fruitful vines,

12 They shall lament for the teats, for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine.

13 For the land of my people *in which* thorns and briars will come up; Indeed, for all the joyful houses *and for* the jubilant city.

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13 and over the land of my people overgrown with thorns and briars— yes, over all the houses of merriment and over this city of revelry.

13 Upon the land of my people shall come up thorns and briars; yea, upon all the houses of joy in the joyous city:

14 For the palace has been neglected, the populated city abandoned. Hill and watch-tower have become caves forever, A delight for wild donkeys, a pasture for flocks,

14 Because the palace has been abandoned, the populated city forsaken. Hill and watch-tower have become caves forever, A delight for wild donkeys, a pasture for flocks;

14 "For the palace will be abandoned, the noisy city deserted; the citadel and watchtower will become barren wastes forever, the delight of wild donkeys, and a pasture for flocks,

14 Because the palaces shall be forsaken; the multitude of the city shall be left; the forts and towers shall be for dens for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks;

The Kingdom Initiated by the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit

15 **Until the Spirit** is poured out upon us from on high, And the wilderness becomes a fertile field, And the fertile field is considered as a forest.

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15 until the Spirit from on high is poured upon us, and the desert becomes a fertile field, and the fertile field seems like a forest."

15 Until the Spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.

— "Until the Spirit" - the Spirit is one which Joel talks about in great detail (Joel 2:28-29)

— This describes the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Israel following the Great Tribulation

16 Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, And righteousness will remain in the fertile field.

16 Then justice will dwell in the wilderness And righteousness will abide in the fertile field.

16 "Then justice will live in the wilderness, and righteousness will dwell in the fertile field.

16 Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field.

17 And the work of righteousness will be peace, And the service of righteousness, quietness and confidence forever.

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17 The effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness will be quietness and confidence forever.

17 And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

18 Then my people will live in a peaceful settlement, In secure dwellings, and in undisturbed resting places;

18 Then my people will live in a peaceful habitation, And in secure dwellings and in undisturbed resting places;

18 My people will live in peaceful dwellings, in secure homes and in undisturbed resting places.

18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places;

19 And it will hail when the forest comes down, And the city will be utterly laid low.

19 And it will hail when the forest comes down, And the city will be utterly laid low.

19 But it will hail when the forest comes down, and the wood will be leveled completely.

19 When it shall hail, coming down on the forest; and the city shall be low in a low place.

20 How blessed will you be, you who sow beside all waters, Who let the ox and the donkey out freely.

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20 How happy you will be, sowing your seed beside every stream, and letting your cattle and donkeys range freely!"

20 Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth thither the feet of the ox and the ass.