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30 And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.

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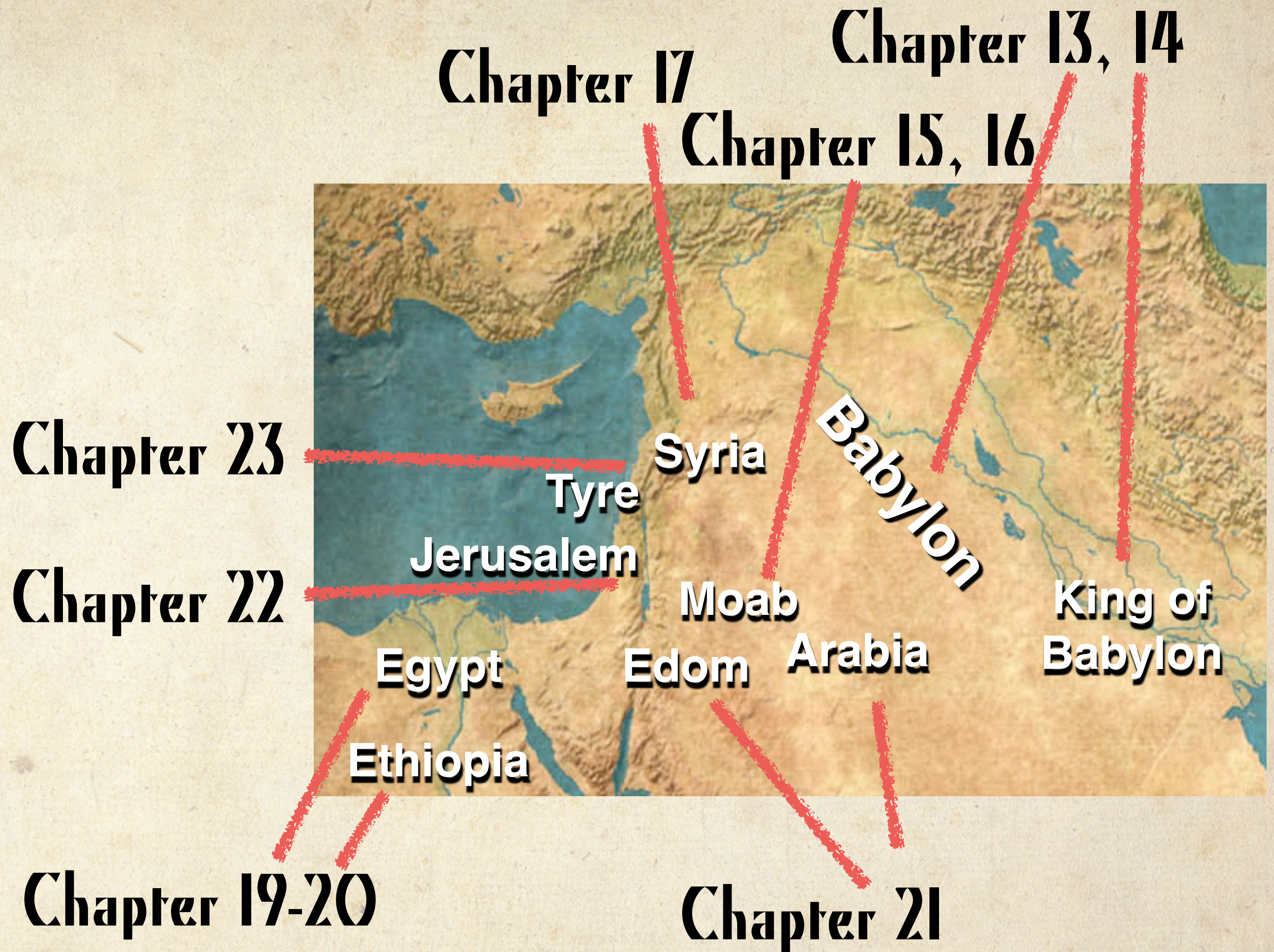
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Isaiah 15-22

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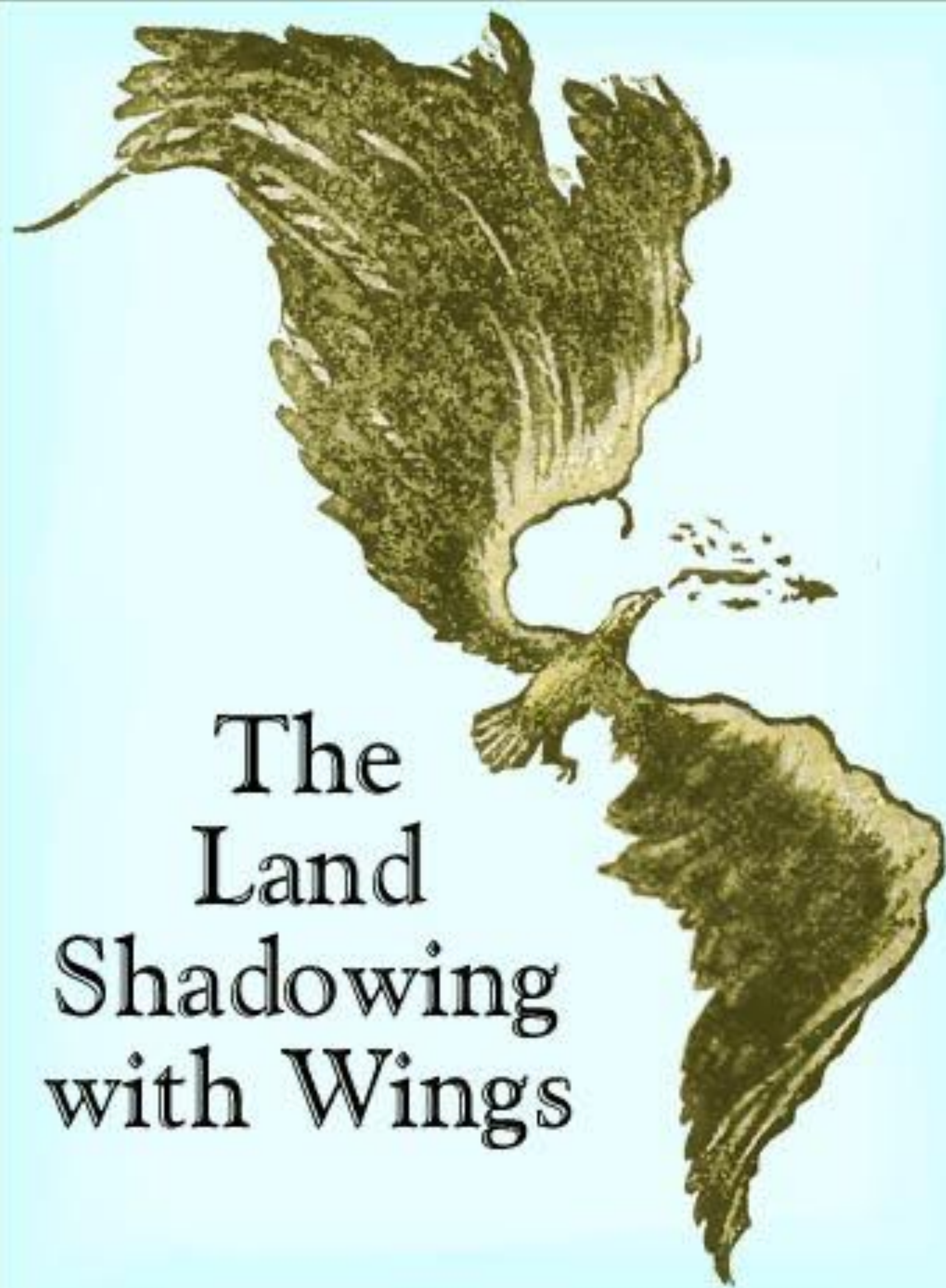
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The land can refer to the Americas, where the Restoration of the Church began. Ambassadors and messengers can refer to Apostles and missionaries, who travel all over the world to spread the gospel. An ensign is a flag or banner around which armies gather for battle, and a trumpet can be used to call people together, so both an ensign and a trumpet can symbolize the latter-day call to gather to the restored Church of Jesus Christ.

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19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.

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4 So shall the ^aking of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the ^bEthiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with *their* buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt.

5 And ^athey shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory.

6 And the inhabitant of this isle shall say in that day, Behold, such *is* our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?

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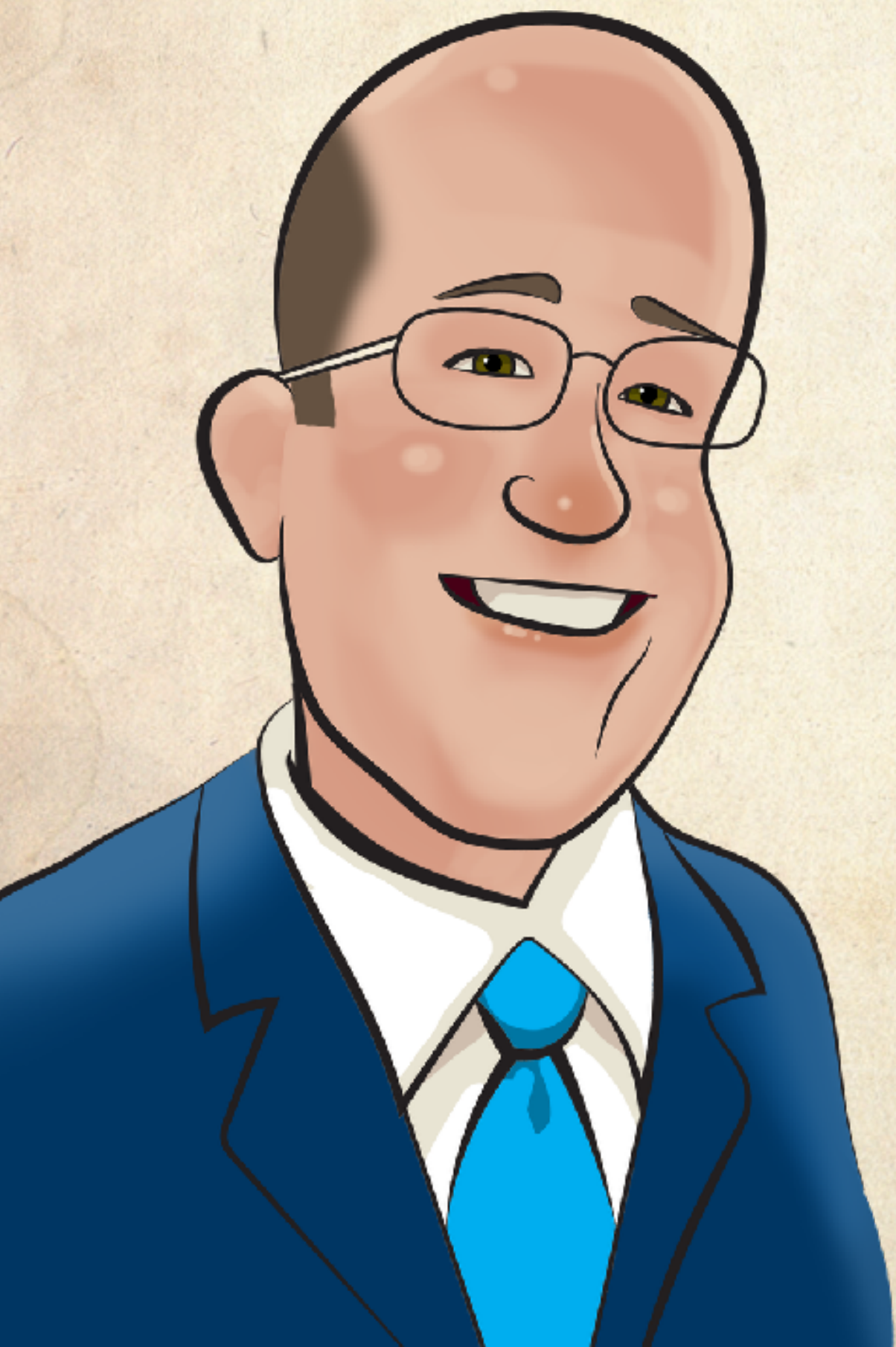
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— 3 Nephi 23:1



6 They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and to the ^abeasts of the earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

7 ¶ In that time shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts of a people ^ascattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, the ^bmount Zion.

CHAPTER 19

The Lord will smite and destroy Egypt— Finally He will heal her, and Egypt and Assyria will be blessed with Israel.

THE ^aburden of ^bEgypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift ^ccloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the ^didols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

2 And I will set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight every one against his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, *and* kingdom against kingdom.

3 And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmings, and to ^athem that have ^bfamiliar spirits, and to the wizards.

4 And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of ^aa ^bcruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.

5 And the waters shall ^afail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and ^bdried up.

6 And they shall turn the rivers far away; *and* the brooks of defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.

7 The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and every thing sown by the brooks, shall wither, be driven away, and be no *more*.

8 The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast ^aangle into the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish.

9 Moreover they that work in fine flax, and they that weave ^anetworks, shall be confounded.

10 And ^athey shall be broken in the purposes thereof, all that make sluices *and* ponds for fish.

11 ¶ Surely the princes of ^aZoan are fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I *am* the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?

12 Where *are* they? where *are* thy wise *men*? and let them tell thee now, and let them know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.

13 The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of ^aNoph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, *even they that are* the ^bstay of the tribes thereof.

14 The LORD hath mingled a ^aperverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.

15 Neither shall there be *any* work for Egypt, which ^athe head or tail, branch or rush, may do.

16 In that day shall ^aEgypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid

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and fear because of the shaking of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.

17 And the land of ^aJudah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

18 ¶ In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of ^adestruction.

19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.

20 And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them.

21 And the LORD shall be known to ^aEgypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a ^bvow unto the LORD, and perform *it*.

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25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed *be* Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and ^aIsrael mine ^binheritance.

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Assyria will overrun Egypt and make her ashamed.

IN the ^ayear that ^bTartan came unto Ashdod, (when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him,) and fought against Ashdod, and took it;

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3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years *for* a ^asign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;

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6 And the inhabitant of this isle shall say in that day, Behold, such *is* our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?

17a TG Last Days.

18a HEB *Heres*; possibly "of the sun"; perhaps Heliopolis, one

24a IE all three will be allied, with Israel as a blessing in the midst of them.

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3a TG Signs.
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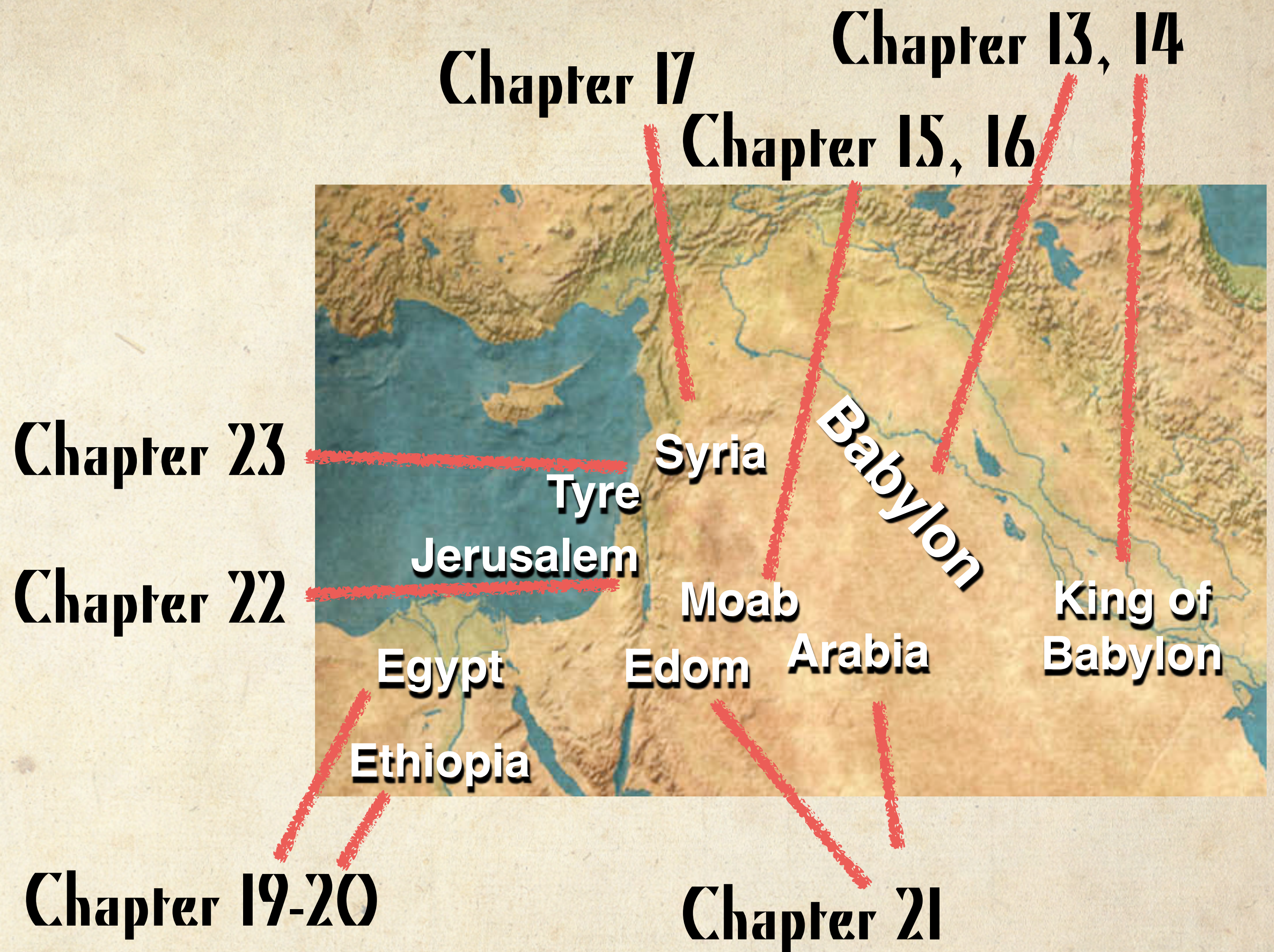
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The Judgment of the Nations Surrounding Israel (Isaiah 13-23)



Isaiah 22

Isaiah 22:1–7

Isaiah prophesied that Jerusalem would not be spared when the Babylonian army attacked more than a century later.

Isaiah 22:8-11

Those people would depend on their supply of weapons; the fortifications that strengthened the city wall; and Hezekiah's tunnel, which diverted water into the city from a spring outside the city wall... instead of the Lord as the people had done in Hezekiah's day.

Isaiah 22

Isaiah 22:15–25

Isaiah told a story about Shebna, the keeper of the treasury of Jerusalem. Shebna was prideful about Jerusalem's wealth. Isaiah prophesied that Shebna would be carried away into captivity. Isaiah prophesied that a man named Eliakim, which means "God shall cause to arise" (see verse 20, footnote a), would replace Shebna. Eliakim was a person who loved and obeyed the Lord.

ISAIAH 22:21–23:15

21 And I will clothe him with thy robe, and strengthen him with thy girdle, and I will commit thy ^agovernment into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah.

22 And the ^akey of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.

23 And I will fasten him *as* a ^anail in a sure place; and he shall be for a glorious throne to his father's house.

24 And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house,

not, nor bring forth children: neither do I nourish up young children, nor bring up virgins.

5 ^aAs at the report of Egypt, so shall they be sore at the report of Tyre.

6 Pass ye over to Tarsus, ye inhabitants of the isle.

7 Is this your joyous antiquity is of ancient days: your own feet shall carry them to sojourn.

8 Who hath taken them against Tyre, the crown of glory, whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers are kings

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“Isaiah made a symbol of Shebna’s replacement, Eliakim. His name means ‘God shall cause to arise,’ anticipating the Savior, who holds the ‘key of the house of David’ but was fastened ‘as a nail in a sure place’ until the burden of the Atonement was complete. Upon Him rests ‘all the glory of his father’s house.’ Isaiah recommended depending on Him for everlasting security (Isa. 22:20–25 and fn.)” (Ellis T. Rasmussen, A Latter-day Saint Commentary on the Old Testament [1993], 517–18).

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“The ‘nail in a sure place’ (Isaiah 22:23) is messianic and symbolizes the terrible reality of the cross, though only a part of the total suffering of the Lord that caused Him to ‘tremble because of pain, and to bleed at every pore, and to suffer both body and spirit’ (D&C 19:18). Just as the nail of the cross that was driven in the sure place secured the body of the one being crucified, so the Savior Himself is, to all who will, a nail in a sure place, for He has given them power so that none need be lost (see John 17:12). As Christ brings the redeemed to the Father, the glory becomes His own, and the redeemed and their offspring will become part of the family of heaven under the throne of Christ (see D&C 19:2; Matthew 28:18; 1 Corinthians 15:27–28; Philippians 2:5–11; 3:21).”

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Isaiah 23-28

Isaiah 23

Isaiah prophesied that the coastal city of Tyre, located in modern-day Lebanon, would also be destroyed.

Isaiah 24

Records a prophecy of the destruction of the wicked at the Second Coming.

Isaiah 25

Contains a poetic celebration of the blessings the Lord will give to the righteous.

LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea.

15 Wherefore glorify ye the LORD in the ^afires, *even* the name of the LORD God of Israel in the isles of the sea.

16 ¶ From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, *even* glory to the righteous. But I said, ^aMy leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, ^bthe treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.

17 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth.

18 And it shall come to pass, *that* he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.

19 The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is ^amoved exceedingly.

20 The ^aearth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.

21 And it shall come to pass in that ^aday, *that* the LORD shall ^bpunish the host of the high ones *that are* on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.

22 And they shall be gathered together, *as* ^aprisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be shut up in the ^bprison, and after many days shall they be ^cvisited.

23 Then the moon shall be con-

founded, and the sun ^aashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount ^bZion, and in Jerusalem, and before ^chis ancients gloriously.

CHAPTER 25

In Mount Zion the Lord will prepare a gospel feast of rich food—He will swallow up death in victory—It will be said, Lo, this is our God.

O LORD, thou *art* my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful *things*; thy counsels of old *are* faithfulness and truth.

2 For thou hast made of a city an heap; of a defenced city a ruin: a palace of strangers to be no city; it shall never be built.

3 Therefore shall the strong people glorify thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear thee.

4 For thou hast been a strength to the ^apoor, a strength to the needy in his ^bdistress, a ^crefuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones *is* as a storm *against* the wall.

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6 ¶ And in this mountain shall the LORD of hosts make unto all ^apeople a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.

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8 He will swallow up ^adeath in

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10 For in this mountain shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be trodden down under him, even as straw is trodden down for the dunghill.

11 And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth *his hands* to swim: and he shall bring down their pride together with the spoils of their hands.

12 And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring down, lay low, *and* bring to the ground, *even* to the ^adust.

CHAPTER 26

Trust in the Lord forever—Jehovah will die and be resurrected—All men will rise in the Resurrection.

In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for ^awalls and bulwarks.

2 Open ye the ^agates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.

3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect ^apeace, *whose* mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever:

for in the LORD ^aJEHOVAH *is* ^beverlasting ^cstrength:

5 ¶ For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, *even* to the ground; he bringeth it *even* to the dust.

6 The foot shall tread it down, *even* the feet of the poor, *and* the steps of the needy.

7 The way of the just is upright-ness: thou, most ^aupright, dost weigh the path of the just.

8 Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we ^awaited for thee; the desire of *our* soul *is* to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.

9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I ^aseek thee ^bearly: for when thy ^cjudgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

10 Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of upright-ness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

11 LORD, *when* thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: *but* ^athey shall see, and be ^bashamed for *their* envy at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.

12 ¶ LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our ^aworks in us.

13 O LORD our God, *other* ^alords beside thee have had dominion over us: *but* by thee only will we make mention of thy name.

14 ^aThey are dead, they shall not live; *they are* deceased, they shall

15a HEB lights; or perhaps a scribal error for "islands."

19a TG Earth, Renewal of.
20a TG Last Days.

25 4a Ps. 35:10;
D&C 56:18 (18–19).

8b TG Jesus Christ, Foreordained; Jesus Christ, Mission of;

c TG Salvation.
12a 1 Ne. 22:14.
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Robert D. Hales

“In the scriptures, the word wait means to hope, to anticipate, and to trust. To hope and trust in the Lord requires faith, patience, humility, meekness, long-suffering, keeping the commandments, and enduring to the end”

(Robert D. Hales, “Waiting upon the Lord: Thy Will Be Done,” GC Oct 2011, Ensign or Liahona, Nov. 2011, 72).

Isaiah 26–27

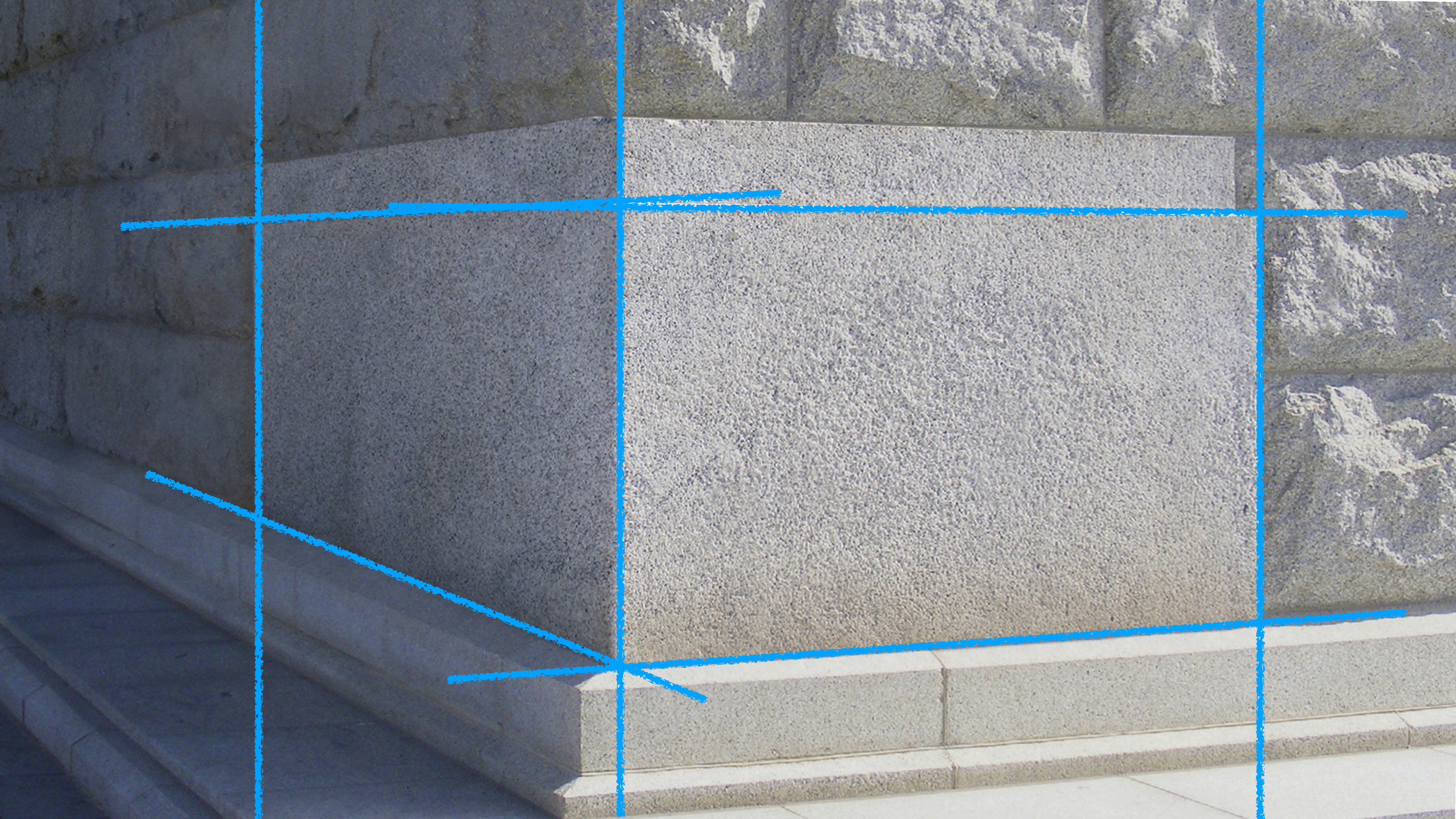
Isaiah testified that we can trust in the Lord forever and promised “perfect peace” to those who do (see Isaiah 26:3). Isaiah also used the imagery of a vineyard to show how the Lord cares for His people.

Isaiah 28

Isaiah 28:1–15 Isaiah condemned “Ephraim” (verse 1), or the inhabitants of the Northern Kingdom of Israel, for their wickedness. He reminded them that the Lord teaches “precept upon precept; line upon line ... ; here a little, and there a little” (verses 10, 13). The people did not think they needed the word of the Lord, because they believed other things would save them from the problems they would experience.

Isaiah 28:16

16 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.



Cornerstone
(Jesus Christ)

The diagram consists of a grid of rectangular blocks. On the left side, there is a vertical column of three blocks. The bottom-most block in this column is highlighted with a dark red border and contains the text 'Cornerstone (Jesus Christ)'. To the right of this red block, there is a horizontal row of four blocks, all of which have blue borders. The top two blocks of the vertical column are also outlined in blue. The remaining blocks in the grid are empty.

Isaiah 28:17–29

The Lord told the inhabitants of the Northern Kingdom of Israel that they would be swept away because they believed they could build on something other than the Savior.

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Isaiah 29

CHAPTER 29

A people (the Nephites) will speak as a voice from the dust—The Apostasy, restoration of the gospel, and coming forth of a sealed book (the Book of Mormon) are foretold—Compare 2 Nephi 27.

^aWOE to ^bAriel, to Ariel, the city ^cwhere David dwelt! add ye year to year; let them kill sacrifices.

2 Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and ^asorrow: and it shall be unto me as Ariel.

3 And I will ^acamp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

4 And thou shalt be brought down, and shalt speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the ^adust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ^bground, and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.

5 Moreover the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones shall be as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.

6 Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring ^afire.

7 ¶ And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.

8 It shall even be as when an hungry man dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, he is faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that ^afight against mount ^bZion.

9 ¶ Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are ^adrunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

10 For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep ^asleep, and hath closed your ^beyes: the ^cprophets and your rulers, the ^dseers hath he ^ecovered.

11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a ^abook that is ^bsealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it is sealed:

12 And the book is delivered to ^ahim that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned.

13 ¶ Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people ^adraw near me with their ^bmouth, and with their lips do ^chonour me, but have ^dremoved their ^eheart far from me, and their ^ffear toward me is taught by the ^gprecept of men:

14 Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a ^amarvellous ^bwork among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for the ^cwisdom of their wise men shall ^dperish, and

the ^eunderstanding of their ^fprudent men shall be hid.

15 Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their ^acounsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who ^bseeth us? and who knoweth us?

16 Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the ^awork say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say of him that framed it, He had no understanding?

17 Is it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest?

18 ¶ And in that ^aday shall the deaf hear the words of the ^bbook, and the ^ceyes of the blind shall see out of ^dobscurity, and out of darkness.

19 The meek also shall increase their ^ajoy in the LORD, and the ^bpoor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

20 For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that ^awatch for iniquity are ^bcut off:

21 That make a man an ^aoffender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in ^bthe gate, and ^cturn aside the just for a thing of nought.

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the ^ahouse of Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale.

23 But when he seeth his children,

the ^awork of mine hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctify my name, and sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall ^bfear the ^cGod of Israel.

24 They also that ^aerred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall ^blearn doctrine.

CHAPTER 30

Israel is scattered for rejecting the seers and prophets—Israel's people will be gathered and blessed temporally and spiritually—The Lord will come in a day of apostasy to judge and destroy the wicked.

WOE to the ^arebellious children, saith the LORD, that take ^bcounsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin:

2 That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of ^aPharaoh, and to trust ^bin the shadow of ^cEgypt!

3 Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.

4 For his princes were at Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes.

5 They ^awere all ^bashamed of a people that could not profit them, nor be an help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach.

6 The ^aburden of the beasts of the ^bsouth: into the land of trouble and anguish, from whence come the

The coming forth of the Book of Mormon and the Restoration

The impact of the restored gospel and the Book of Mormon

Do Not Go Down to Egypt

29 1a JST Isa. 29:1–8 (Appendix).

b HEB Hearth of God;

c 2 Ne. 27:5.

d TG Seer.

e Micah 3:7.

TG Apostasy of Israel.

e TG Hardheartedness;

Heart;

14e TG Knowledge; Understanding.

b D&C 45:50. 21a TG Offense.

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CHAPTER 29

A people (the Nephites) will speak as a voice from the dust—The Apostasy, restoration of the gospel, and coming forth of a sealed book (the Book of Mormon) are foretold—Compare 2 Nephi 27.

^aWOE to ^bAriel, to Ariel, the city ^cwhere David dwelt! add ye year to year; let them kill sacrifices.

2 Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and ^asorrow: and it shall be unto me as Ariel.

3 And I will ^acamp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

4 And thou shalt be brought down, and shalt speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the ^adust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ^bground, and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.

5 Moreover the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones shall be as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.

6 Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring ^afire.

7 ¶ And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.

8 It shall even be as when an hungry man dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, he is faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that ^afight against mount ^bZion.

9 ¶ Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are ^adrunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

10 For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep ^asleep, and hath closed your ^beyes: the ^cprophets and your rulers, the ^dseers hath he ^ecovered.

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3 Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.

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7 For the ^aEgyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried concerning this, Their strength *is* to sit still.

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32 And in every place where the
grounded staff shall pass, which
the LORD shall lay upon him, it
shall be with tabrets and harps: and
"in battles of shaking will he fight
"with it.

33 For "Tophet is ordained of old;
yea, for the king it is prepared; he
hath made it deep and large: the pile
thereof is fire and much wood; the
breath of the LORD, like a stream of
brimstone, doth kindle it.

CHAPTER 31

Israel is reprov'd for turning to Egypt
for help—When the Lord comes, He
will defend and preserve His people.

WOE to them that go down to Egypt
for "help; and "stay on "horses, and
trust in chariots, because they are
many; and in horsemen, because
they are very strong; but they look
not unto the Holy One of Israel,
neither seek the LORD!

2 Yet he also is wise, and will bring
"evil, and will not "call back his
words: but will arise against the
house of the evildoers, and against
the help of them that work iniquity.

3 Now the Egyptians are men, and
not "God; and their horses flesh,
and not spirit. When the LORD shall
stretch out his hand, both he that
helpeth shall fall, and he that is
"holpen shall fall down, and they
all shall fail together.

4 For thus hath the LORD spoken
unto me, Like as the "lion and the
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31 1a TG Trust Not in the Arm of Flesh.

b OR rely.

c Ps. 20:7.

d Isa. 30:16; Hosea 14:3 (1, 3)

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the noise of them: so shall the LORD
of hosts come down to "fight for
mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.

5 As birds "flying, so will the LORD
of hosts "defend Jerusalem; defend-
ing also he will deliver it; and pass-
ing over he will preserve it.

6 ¶ Turn ye unto him from whom
the children of Israel have deeply
revolted.

7 For in that day every man shall
cast away his idols of silver, and
his idols of gold, which your own
hands have made unto you for a sin.

8 ¶ Then shall the "Assyrian fall
with the sword, not of a mighty
man; and the sword, not of a mean
man, shall devour him: but he shall
flee from the sword, and his young
men shall be discomfited.

9 And he shall pass over to his
strong hold for fear, and his princes
shall be afraid of the "ensign, saith
the LORD, whose fire is in Zion, and
his furnace in Jerusalem.

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A king (the Messiah) will reign in righ-
teousness—The land of Israel will be a
wilderness until the day of restoration
and gathering.

BEHOLD, a "king shall reign in righ-
teousness, and princes shall rule in
"judgment.

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 And the "eyes of them that see
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Isaiah 32–34

Even though the people of Judah rejected his words, Isaiah continued to fulfill his role as a prophet. As recorded in Isaiah 32–34, Isaiah prophesied of the Restoration of the gospel in the latter days and of the Millennial reign of the Savior, when His “people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation” (Isaiah 32:18). Isaiah also described the Savior’s Second Coming, when the wicked would “be burned in the fire” (Isaiah 33:12) of “the day of the Lord’s vengeance” (Isaiah 34:8).

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Isaiah 35-39

thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.

10 It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

11 ¶ But the ^acormorant and the ^bbittern shall possess it; the owl also and the raven shall dwell in it: and he shall stretch out upon it the line of confusion, and the ^cstones of emptiness.

12 They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none shall be there, and all her princes shall be nothing.

13 And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it shall be ^aan habitation of dragons, and a court for owls.

14 The ^awild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; the screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.

15 There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shadow: there shall the vultures also be gathered, every one with her mate.

16 ¶ Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read: no one of these shall fail, none shall want her mate: for my mouth it hath ^acommanded, and his spirit it hath gathered them.

17 And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

CHAPTER 35

In the day of restoration, the desert will blossom, the Lord will come, Israel will be gathered, and Zion will be built up.

THE wilderness and the ^asolitary place shall be ^bglad for ^cthem; and the ^ddesert shall rejoice, and ^eblossom as the rose.

2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of ^aLebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the ^bglory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God.

3 ¶ Strengthen ye the ^aweak hands, and confirm the ^bfeeble knees.

4 Say to them *that are* of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come *with* ^avengeance, *even* God *with* a recompence; he will come and save you.

5 Then the ^aeyes of the ^bblind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

6 Then shall the lame *man* leap as an ^ahart, and the tongue of the dumb ^bsing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

7 And the ^aparched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the ^bhabitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes.

8 And an ^ahighway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of ^bholiness; the ^cunclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err *therein*.

9 No lion shall be there, nor *any* ravenous beast shall go up thereon,

it shall not be found there; but the ^aredeemed shall walk *there*:

10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall ^areturn, and come to ^bZion with ^csongs and everlasting ^djoy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and ^esorrow and sighing shall flee away.

CHAPTER 36

The Assyrians war against Judah and blaspheme the Lord.

Now it came to pass in the ^afourteenth year of king Hezekiah, *that* Sennacherib king of ^bAssyria came up against all the defenced cities of Judah, and took them.

2 And the king of Assyria sent ^aRabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field.

3 Then came forth unto him Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, which was over the house, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

4 ¶ And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?

5 I say, *sayest thou*, (*but they are but vain words*) *I have* counsel and strength for war: now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?

6 Lo, thou trustest in the staff of this broken ^areed, on ^bEgypt; whereon if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in him.

7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is it* not he, whose ^ahigh places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and said

to Judah and to Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar?

8 Now therefore give pledges, I pray thee, to my master the king of Assyria, and I will give thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

9 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

10 And am I now come up without the LORD against this land to destroy it? the LORD said unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.

11 ¶ Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray thee, unto thy servants in the ^aSyrian language; for we understand *it*: and speak not to us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.

12 ¶ But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master and to thee to speak these words? *hath he not sent me* to the men that sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

13 Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said, Hear ye the words of the great king, the king of Assyria.

14 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you.

15 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, Make *an agreement* with me *by* a present, and come out to me: and eat ye every one of his vine, and every one

11a Zeph. 2:14.
b Isa. 14:23.
c HEB plummet.
13a HEB the resort of

return.
d Ezek. 36:34.
e TG Earth, Renewal of;
Israel, Blessings of.

5a Isa. 32:3.
b TG Sight.
6a OR deer.
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Isaiah 36-39

Isaiah's account of King Hezekiah being threatened by Assyria. He calls upon the Lord for help, and, through his servant, Isaiah, he is promised deliverance for Jerusalem. Unfortunately, as mentioned in Chapter 39, he also invites the rulers of Babylon to see his kingdom, and Isaiah prophesies the coming Babylonian Conquest as a result.