

Isaiah chapter 32

Behold, a king will reign righteously

And princes will rule justly.

² Each will be like a refuge from the wind

And a shelter from the storm,

Like ^[a]streams of water in a dry country,

Like the shade of a ^[b]huge rock in ^[c]a parched land.

³ Then the eyes of those who see will not be ^[d]blinded,

And the ears of those who hear will listen.

⁴ The ^[e]mind of the hasty will discern the ^[f]truth,

And the tongue of the stammerers will hasten to speak clearly.

⁵ No longer will the fool be called noble,

Or the rogue be spoken of *as* generous.

⁶ For a fool speaks nonsense,

And his heart ^[g]inclines toward wickedness:

To practice ungodliness and to speak error against the Lord,

To ^[h]keep the hungry person unsatisfied

And ^[i]to withhold drink from the thirsty.

⁷ As for a rogue, his weapons are evil;

He devises wicked schemes

To destroy *the* afflicted with ^[j]slander,

Even though *the* needy one speaks ^[k]what is right.

⁸ But the noble man devises noble plans;

And by noble plans he stands.

⁹ Rise up, you women who are at ease,

And hear my voice;

Give ear to my word,

You complacent daughters.

¹⁰ Within a year and *a few* days

You will be troubled, O complacent *daughters*;

For the vintage is ended,

And the *fruit* gathering will not come.

¹¹ Tremble, you *women* who are at ease;

Be troubled, you complacent *daughters*;

Strip, undress and put *sackcloth* on *your* waist,

¹² Beat your breasts for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine,

¹³ For the land of my people *in which* thorns *and* briars shall come up;

Yea, for all the joyful houses *and* for the jubilant city.

¹⁴ Because the palace has been abandoned, the ^[l]populated city forsaken.

^[m]Hill and watch-tower have become caves forever,

A delight for wild donkeys, a pasture for flocks;

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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.

¹⁶ Then justice will dwell in the wilderness

And righteousness will abide in the fertile field.

¹⁷ And the work of righteousness will be peace,

And the service of righteousness, quietness and [\[a\]](#)confidence forever.

¹⁸ Then my people will live in a peaceful habitation,

And in secure dwellings and in undisturbed resting places;

¹⁹ And it will hail when the forest comes down,

And the city will be utterly laid low.

²⁰ How blessed will you be, you who sow beside all waters,

Who [\[a\]](#)let out freely the ox and the donkey.