<sup>22</sup> And the Lord will smite Egypt;

He will smite and heal it,

and they will return to the LORD,

and He will heed their supplications, and He will heal them.

<sup>23</sup> In that day there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria, and Assyria will come into Egypt,

and Egypt into Assyria, and Egypt will worship with Assyria.

<sup>24</sup>In that day will Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria,

a blessing in the midst of the earth.

<sup>25</sup> The LORD of Hosts will bless them, saying,

**The LORD** "Blessed is Egypt, My people,

and Assyria, the work of My hands, and Israel, My inheritance."

## CONQUEST OF EGYPT AND CUSH: ISAIAH'S DRAMATIZATION (20:1-6)

Isaiah

20 In the year that Tartan—sent by Sargon, the king of Assyria—came to Ashdod and fought against it and captured it, <sup>2</sup> at that time the LORD spoke by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying,

**The LORD** "Go and remove the sackcloth from your loins and take off the sandals from your feet."

**Isaiah** And he did so, walking naked and barefoot. <sup>3</sup> And the LORD said,

The LORD "Just as My servant Isaiah walked naked and barefoot three years as a sign and a wonder for Egypt and Cush, <sup>4</sup> so will the king of Assyria lead away the captives of Egypt, and the exiles of Cush, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered—the nakedness of Egypt. <sup>5</sup> Then those who made Cush their hope, and Egypt their glory, will be dismayed and ashamed. <sup>6</sup> And the inhabitants of this coast will say in that day,

**Inhabitants** Behold, thus was our hope, and to whom we fled for help to be **of Judah** delivered from the king of Assyria, how will we escape?"