

<sup>15</sup> Because they fled from swords,  
from the drawn sword,  
and from the bent bow,  
and from the heat of battle.

<sup>16</sup> For thus the Lord said unto me,

**The LORD** “Within a year, as a hired worker would count it, all the glory of Kedar will come to an end, <sup>17</sup> and the remnant of the number of archers, the mighty men of Kedar, will be few.”

**Isaiah** For the LORD God of Israel has spoken it.

#### A PROPHECY OF JUDGMENT AGAINST JERUSALEM (22:1-14)

**Isaiah to Jerusalem** **22** A prophecy against the valley of vision:

What has happened to you,  
that all of you have gone up to the housetops?

<sup>2</sup>Noises! O city full of commotion,  
a jubilant town.

Your slain are not slain with the sword,  
nor are they dead from war.

<sup>3</sup>All your leaders have fled together, but they were captured  
without a bow;  
all who could be found have been captured, though together  
they had fled far away.

<sup>4</sup>Therefore I said,

**Isaiah** “Look away from me; let me weep bitterly.  
Do not try to comfort me, because of the destruction of the  
daughter of my people.”

**Isaiah to Jerusalem’s inhabitants** <sup>5</sup>For it is a day of tumult and of trampling  
and confusion by the Lord, the LORD of Hosts in the valley  
of vision,

battering down of walls  
and of crying to the mountain.

<sup>6</sup>And Elam bare the quiver in chariots of horsemen,  
and Kir uncovered the shield.

<sup>7</sup>And it came to pass that your choicest valleys were filled  
with chariots,  
and the horsemen took their stand at the gate.

<sup>8</sup> And the covering of Judah was exposed,  
but you looked in that day to the weapons of the House of  
the Forest.

<sup>9</sup> And you saw that there were many breaches in the City of David,  
and you stored up the water of the lower pool.

<sup>10</sup> And you counted the houses of Jerusalem  
and broke down houses in order to strengthen the wall.

<sup>11</sup> Between the two walls you made a reservoir for the water of  
the old pool,

but you did not look to the One who made it,  
nor did you see the One who fashioned it long ago.

<sup>12</sup> And in that day the Lord,  
the LORD of Hosts,  
called for weeping,  
and mourning,  
and shaving the head,  
and girding with sackcloth.

<sup>13</sup> But behold, exultation  
and rejoicing,  
slaying oxen,  
and slaughtering sheep,  
eating flesh,  
and drinking wine;

**Reveler** “Eat and drink,  
for tomorrow we die.”

**Isaiah** <sup>14</sup> And the LORD of Hosts has revealed in my ears,

**The LORD** “Surely this iniquity will not be atoned for you until you die,”

**Isaiah** says the Lord, the LORD of Hosts.

#### JUDGMENT UPON SHEBNA AND BLESSINGS UPON ELIAKIM (22:15-25)

**Isaiah** <sup>15</sup> Thus says the Lord,  
the LORD of Hosts,

**The LORD** “Go, come to this administrator, to Shebna,  
who is over the house:

<sup>16</sup> “What have you here,  
and whom have you here,  
that you have hewn a tomb here for yourself?”

**Isaiah** He hews out a tomb on the height!  
He cuts out in the rock a dwelling for himself!

<sup>17</sup> Behold, the LORD will assuredly hurl you away,  
O mighty man, and firmly seize you.

<sup>18</sup> He will certainly whirl you round  
and round like a ball to a large country;

there you will die,  
and there your glorious chariots will be the shame of your  
master’s house.

**The LORD** <sup>19</sup> And I will thrust you from your station,  
and from your position he will cast you.”

<sup>20</sup> And it will come to pass in that day that I will call my servant  
Eliakim, the son of Hilkiyah,

<sup>21</sup> and I will clothe him with your robe,  
and your sash, I will bind on him,

and I will commit your rule into his hand,  
and he will be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the house of Judah.

<sup>22</sup> And I will place on his shoulder the key of the house of David;  
and he will open, and no one will shut;  
and he will shut, and no one will open.

<sup>23</sup> And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place;  
and he will be a throne of glory to his father’s house.

<sup>24</sup> And they will hang upon him all the glory of his father’s house,  
the offspring and the issue,

all small vessels,  
from the bowls, even to all jars.

**Isaiah** <sup>25</sup> In that day, declares the LORD of Hosts,

**The LORD** “the nail that is fastened in the sure place will be removed  
and be cut down and fall;  
and the burden that was upon it will be cut off.”

**Isaiah** For the LORD has spoken.