

# Isaiah 33

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## The LORD Is Exalted

**1**Woe to thee that spoilest, and thou wast not spoiled; And dealest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee! When thou hast ceased to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; And when thou art weary with dealing treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.

**2**O LORD, be gracious unto us; We have waited for Thee; Be Thou their arm every morning, Our salvation also in the time of trouble.

**3**At the noise of the tumult the peoples are fled; At the lifting up of Thyself the nations are scattered.

**4**And your spoil is gathered as the caterpillar gathereth; As locusts leap do they leap upon it.

**5**The LORD is exalted, for He dwelleth on high; He hath filled Zion with justice and righteousness.

**6**And the stability of thy times shall be A hoard of salvation—wisdom and knowledge, And the fear of the LORD which is His treasure.

**7**Behold, their valiant ones cry without; The ambassadors of peace weep bitterly.

**8**The highways lie waste, The wayfaring man ceaseth; He hath broken the covenant, He hath despised the cities, He regardeth not man.

- 9**The land mourneth and languisheth; Lebanon is ashamed, it withereth; Sharon is like a wilderness; And Bashan and Carmel are clean bare.
- 10**Now will I arise, saith the LORD; Now will I be exalted; Now will I lift Myself up.
- 11**Ye conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble; Your breath is a fire that shall devour you.
- 12**And the peoples shall be as the burnings of lime; As thorns cut down, that are burned in the fire.
- 13**Hear, ye that are far off, what I have done; And, ye that are near, acknowledge My might.
- 14**The sinners in Zion are afraid; Trembling hath seized the ungodly: 'Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? Who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?'
- 15**He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; He that despiseth the gain of oppressions, That shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, That stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, And shutteth his eyes from looking upon evil;
- 16**He shall dwell on high; His place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks; His bread shall be given, his waters shall be sure.
- 17**Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty; They shall behold a land stretching afar.
- 18**Thy heart shall muse on the terror: 'Where is he that counted, where is he that weighed? Where is he that counted the towers?'
- 19**Thou shalt not see the fierce people; A people of a deep speech that thou canst not perceive, Of a stammering tongue that thou canst not understand.
- 20**Look upon Zion, the city of our solemn gatherings; Thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a peaceful habitation, A tent that shall not be removed, The stakes whereof shall never be plucked up, Neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.
- 21**But there the LORD will be with us in majesty, In a place of broad rivers and streams; Wherein shall go no galley with oars, Neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.
- 22**For the LORD is our Judge, The LORD is our Lawgiver, The LORD is our King; He will save us.
- 23**Thy tacklings are loosed; They do not hold the stand of their mast, They do not spread the sail; Then is the prey of a great spoil divided; The lame take the prey.
- 24**And the inhabitant shall not say: 'I am sick'; The people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.