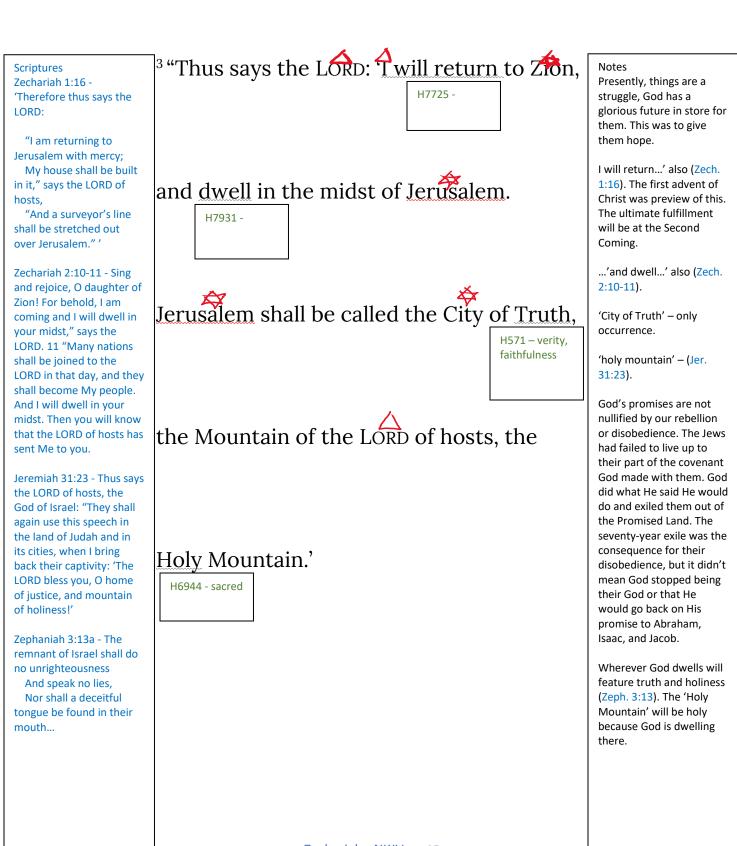
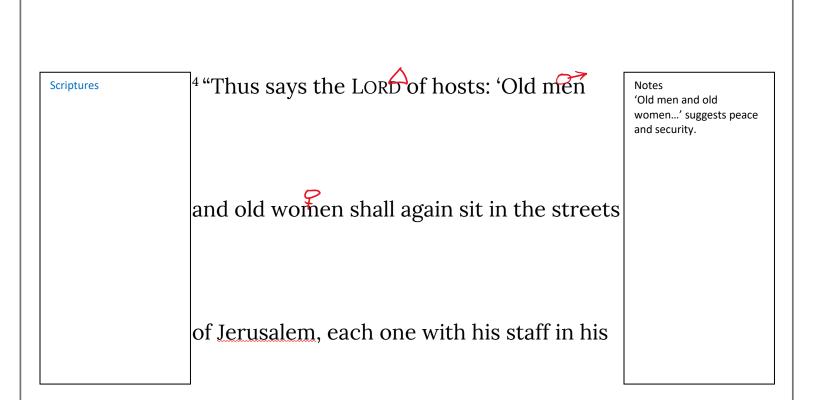
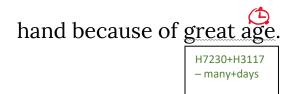
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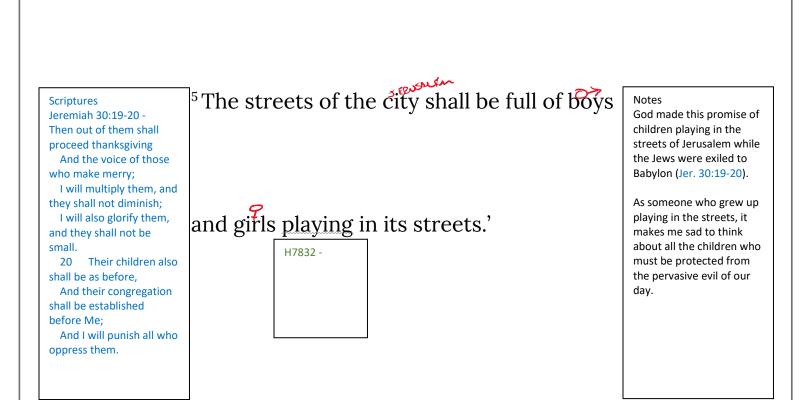
Scriptures	Notes Chapters 7 & 8 are a response to the questions brought by a delegation from Bethel (house of God).
	Chapter 7 has a negative tone – ending in the scattering of the people. Chapter 8 has a positive tone with the nations clinging to the robe of the Jews.
	Chapter 7 was an exhortation to true worship of God. The created thing does not determine how the Creator is to be worshipped.
	Two primary questions are addressed in chapter eight. First, are we believing a lie or the truth? Second, Are we ready for the future?

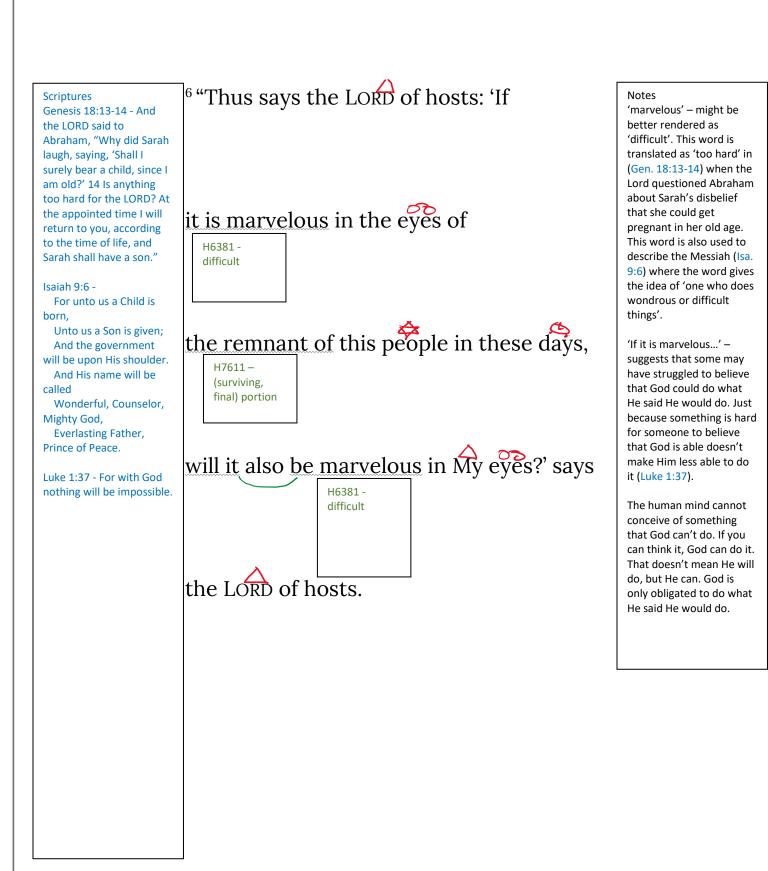
	Zechariah 8:1-23 – The Glory of God's Truth!	
icriptures	Again the word of the LORD of hosts came,	Notes Chapter seven was a call out of false worship and chapter eight is a glimpse of the future for those who worship God in Sprit and in truth.
	saying,	Zechariah refers to the Lord speaking more than dozen times in this chapter.
icriptures oel 2:18 - Then the LORD will be ealous for His land, And pity His people.	² "Thus says the LORD of hosts: A am zealous ^{H7065 - jealous} for Zion with great zeal; with great fervor	Notes 'zealous' = jealous – God has a deep connection to the Promised Land and to the Chosen People (Joel 2:18). The closest human equivalent is marriage. God will not tolerate His People sharing their affections with anything
	H7068 - jealousy H2534 – fury, wrath I am zealous for her.'	that is less than God – which is everything. 'great fervor' – God is passionate in His relationship with His people. "'Zeal' is an aspect of
		God's internal intensity and the passion that He brings to everything that he does and says." (Kaise 1992) page 370 God made covenantal promises to Israel – He will keep those promises











⁷ "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Behold, TScriptures Notes Isaiah 11:11 -'save' – or deliver. God is It shall come to pass in able to save or deliver His that day people. He has already That the LORD shall set done it repeatedly. Most His hand again the second notably was the deliverance of the time Israelites from Egypt and To recover the remnant will save My people from the land of the of His people who are left, then from Babylon. From Assyria and Egypt, From Pathros and Cush, God can deliver His people H3467 -From Elam and Shinar, from any circumstance. deliver From Hamath and the Speaking of the end times islands of the sea. (Isa. 11:11). 'east...west' - ends of the earth. east and from the land of the west;

Scriptures Zephaniah 3:20 - At that time I will bring you back, Even at the time I gather you; For I will give you fame and praise Among all the peoples of the earth, When I return your captives before your eyes," Says the LORD.

Hosea 2:19-10 - I will betroth you to Me forever;

Yes, I will betroth you to Me

In righteousness and justice,

In lovingkindness and mercy;

20 I will betroth you to Me in faithfulness, And you shall know the LORD.

righteousness.'

'righteousness n. - adherence to

what is required according to a

standard; for example, a moral

standard, though not always.'

after them. 40 And I will

will not turn away from doing them good; but I

will put My fear in their hearts so that they will

41 Yes, I will rejoice over

and I will assuredly plant

them in this land, with all My heart and with all My

them to do them good,

not depart from Me.

soul.'

make an everlasting covenant with them, that I

H6666 - rightness -

Jeremiah 32:36-41 - "Now therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city of which you say, 'It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: 37 Behold, I will gather them out of all countries where I have driven them in My anger, in My fury, and in great wrath; I will bring them back to this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely. 38 They shall be My people, and I will be their God; 39 then I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me forever, for the good of them and their children

⁸T will bring them *back*, and they shall dwell

in the midst of <u>Jerusalem</u>. They shall be \widehat{My}

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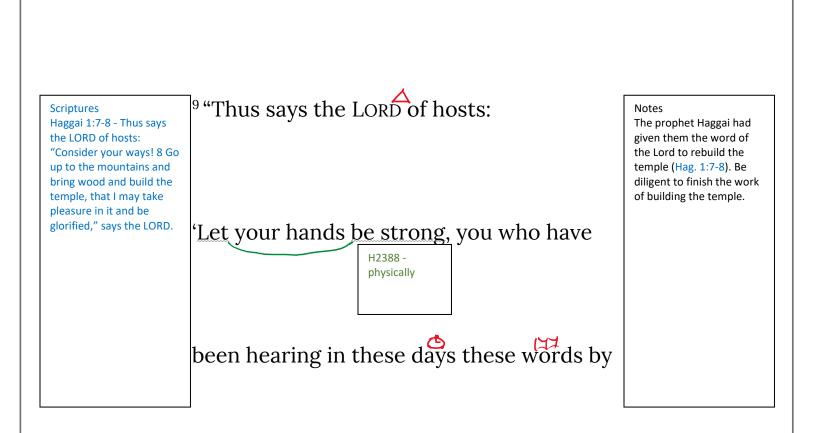
H571 faithfulness

Notes

No matter how many times has to exile His people from the Land, He will bring them back (Zeph. 3:20). Even though Jews are scattered all over the world, He is bringing them back to Israel.

This also reminds us that God has promised the land of Israel to the Jews as a permanent homeland.

'They shall be My people...' – The Jews will walk in faith and obedience to God. This was a call to relationship of intimacy (Hos. 2:19-20). It was the fulfillment of the covenant God made with Abraham and the Jews (Jer. 32:36-41).



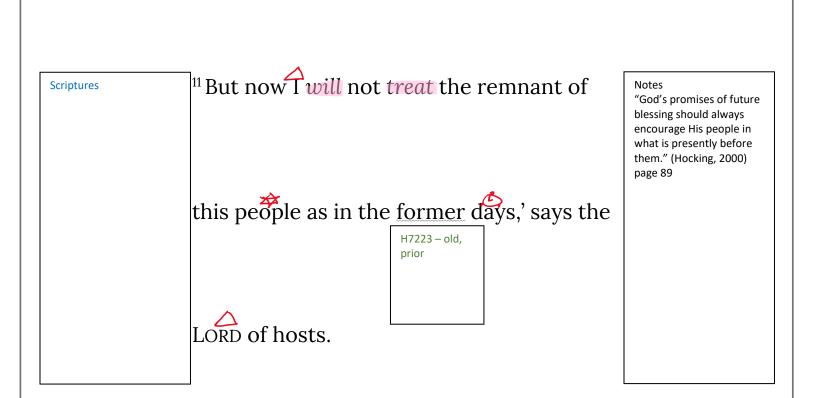
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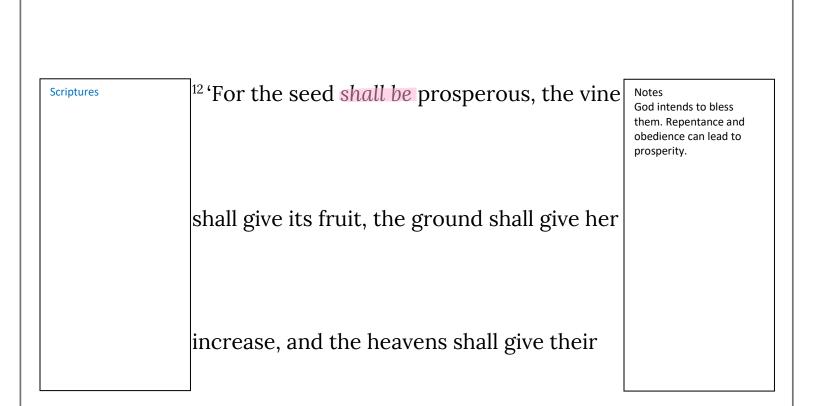
the day the foundation was laid for the

house of the LORD of hosts, that the temple

might be built.

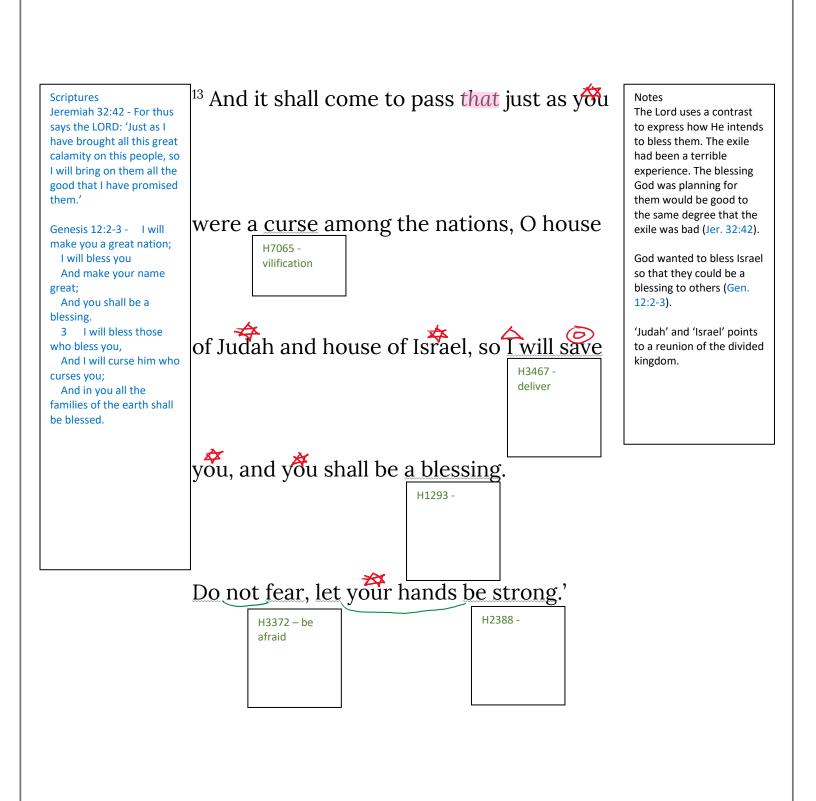
¹⁰ For before these days there were no Scriptures Notes Haggai 1:6; 9 -God had prevented them prospering because they You have sown much, and bring in little; weren't being faithful to You eat, but do not what He was telling them to do through the have enough; prophets (Hag. 1:6; 9). You drink, but you are God had called them to not filled with drink; repent and get back to You clothe yourselves, wages for man nor any hire for beast; there work and promised that if but no one is warm; And he who earns they did they would be blessed. wages, Earns wages to put into a bag with holes." ... 9 "You looked for much, but indeed it came to little; and when you was no peace from the enemy for whoever brought it home, I blew it away. Why?" says the LORD of hosts. "Because of My house that is in ruins, while every one of you runs to his own house. went out or came in; for \vec{I} set all \vec{men} , everyone, against his neighbor.

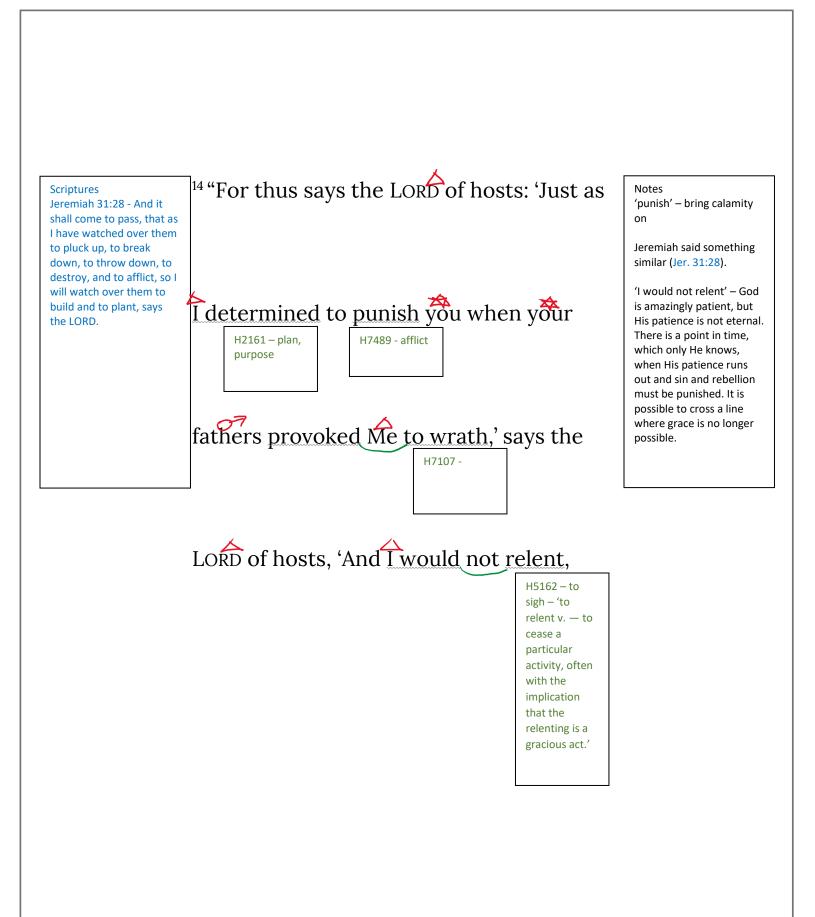




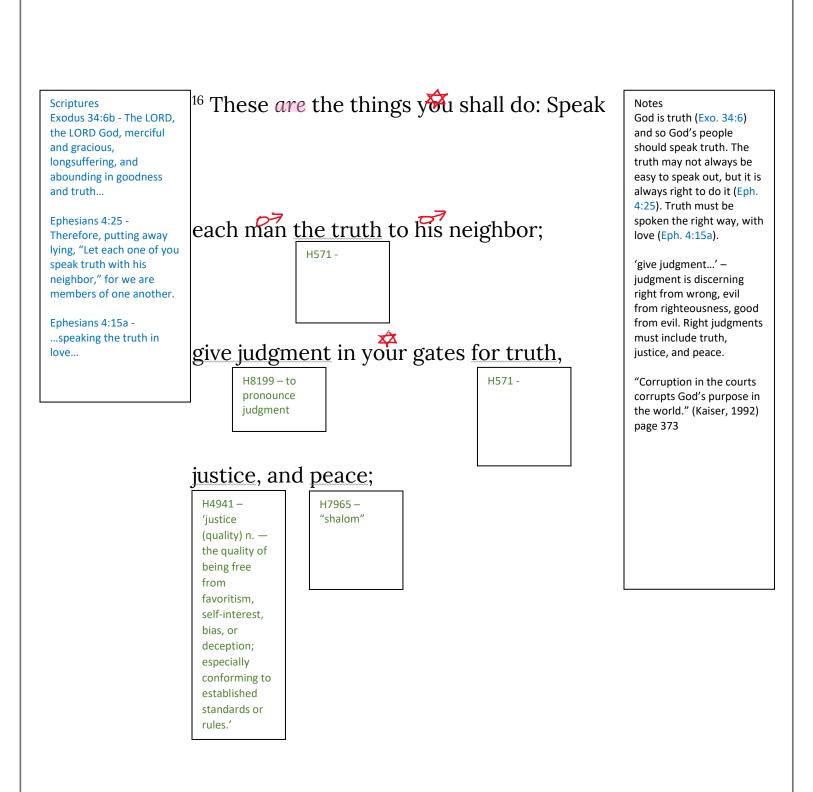
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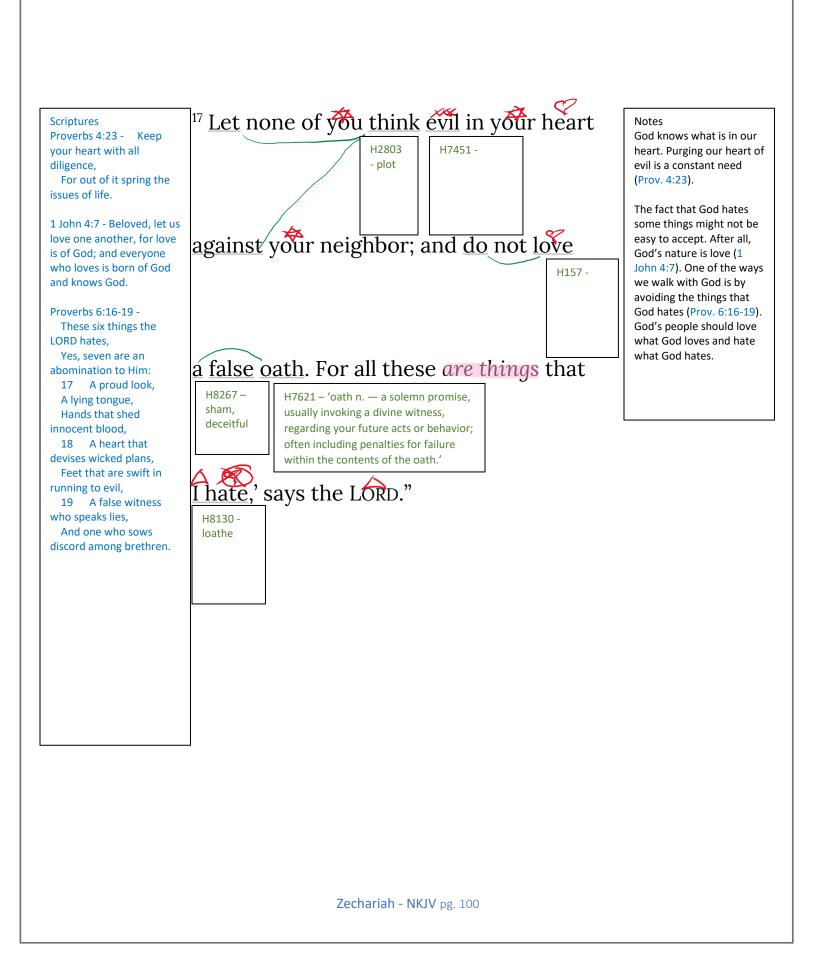
people to possess all these.



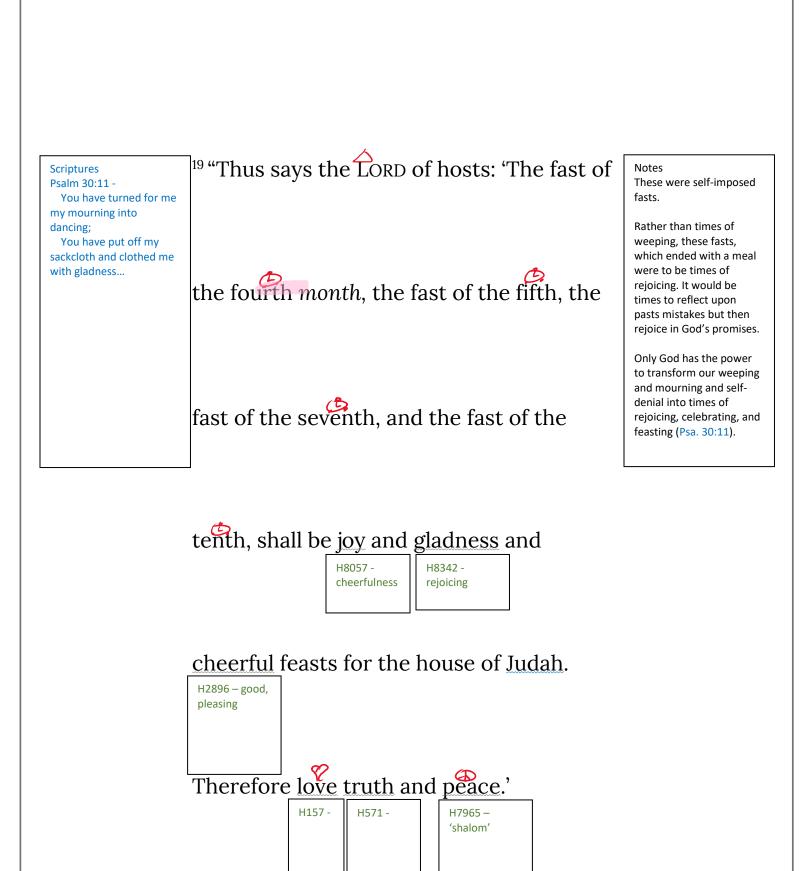


Scriptures	¹⁵ So again in these days 1 am determined to Notes
	do good to Jerusalem and to the house of
	H3190 -
	Judah. Do not fear. H3372 - dread





Scriptures	¹⁸ Then the word of the LORD of hosts came	Notes
	to <mark>me</mark> , saying,	



²⁰ "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Peoples

shall yet come, inhabitants of many cities;

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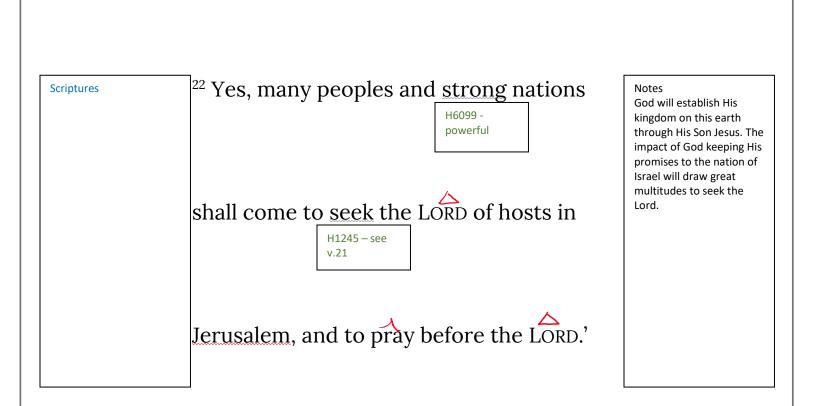
The Lord shows the prophet the far future (Mic. 4:1-2). 'Latter days' = the end times – the times immediately preceding the Second Coming of the Messiah.

Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD's house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And peoples shall flow to it. Many nations shall 2 come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion the law shall go forth, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Scriptures

Micah 4:1-2 -

Scriptures	²¹ The inhabitants of one <i>city</i> shall go to	
	another, saying, "Let us continue to go and H3212+H1980 – walk+walk	
	H2470 - H6440 - 'face' - 'presence ⇔ face n. - the presence or proximity of someone understood in terms of the face; with the implication of being before or in front of them. H1245 - 'to seek (experience) v to earnestly try to encounter the presence of a deity; often involving requests or petitions to the deity.	



 Scriptures
 23 "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'In those
 Notes

 'God is with you' - Can those around you tell that God is with you?
 'God is with you?

 days ten men from every language of the
 nations shall grasp the sleeve of a Jewish
 Image: State of a Jewish

man, saying, "Let us go with you, for we

have heard that God is with you." '" Top of chapter