<sup>30</sup> And the firstborn of poor people will find pasture, and the needy will lie down in safety;

but I will kill your root with famine, and your remnant it<sup>106</sup> will slay.

<sup>31</sup>Wail, O gate;

cry, O city;

be melted, Philistina, all of you, for smoke comes from the north, and there is not a straggler in its ranks.

<sup>32</sup>What will one say to the envoys of the nations?

"That the LORD has founded Zion, and in her {Zion} the afflicted of His people will take refuge."

## A PROPHECY OF DESTRUCTION AGAINST MOAB (15:1-9)

Isaiah

 $15^{A \text{ prophecy against Moab:}}$ 

Because in the night Ar of Moab is devastated, destroyed, Because in the night Kir of Moab is devastated, destroyed,

<sup>2</sup>he has gone up to the house {Moab's temple}, and Dibon, the high places to weep.

Moab wails over Nebo and over Medeba.

On all their heads is baldness; every beard is cut off.

<sup>3</sup> In their streets they are girded with sackcloth; on their roofs, and in their open plazas, everyone wails, going down in tears.

<sup>4</sup>And Heshbon will cry out, and Elealeh; their voices will be heard as far as Jahaz.

Therefore, the armed soldiers of Moab will cry aloud; the soul of each man trembles.

<sup>5</sup>My heart cries out for Moab; its fugitives flee as far as Zoar and Eglath-Shalishiyah,

for at the slope of Luhith, in weeping they go up; on the way to Horonaim they will lament their destruction.

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<sup>6</sup>For the waters of Nimrim will be a wasteland, for the grass is withered,

the vegetation fails, there is nothing green.

<sup>7</sup> Therefore the riches that they have made and laid up, they will carry away to the brook of the willows.

<sup>8</sup> For the cry has reached the borders of Moab; her {Moab's} wailing as far as Eglaim, her wailing—to Beer-elim.

- **The LORD** <sup>9</sup>For the waters of Dibon will be full of blood,
- (to Moab) yet I will bring more upon Dibon,

a lion—to the one who escapes Moab, and to the remnant of the land.

## MOAB SEEKS REFUGE IN JUDAH (16:1-5)

Moabites

16 Send lambs to the ruler of the land from the rock of the wilderness, to the mountain of the daughter of Zion.

<sup>2</sup> And it will come to pass, that at the fords of Arnon the daughters of Moab will be like a fleeing bird, cast out of the nest.

<sup>3</sup>Bring forth counsel, make a decision;

make your shadow like night in the midst of noonday;

hide the refugees; do not betray the fugitives.

<sup>4</sup>Let my Moabite refugees dwell with you; be a hiding place to them from the destroyer.

When the oppressor comes to an end, destruction ceases, and the trampler is finished from the land;

<sup>5</sup> then the throne will be established with loving-kindness, and one will sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David,

judging, and seeking justice, and being quick to do righteousness.