

Isaiah 10:5-19 – Woe, O Assyria - unaware that they were serving as God's instrument, the powerful Assyrians were doomed by their pride to destruction

10:13-14 – Assyria's boast; Removed the boundaries means to discourage rebellion; Assyria transplanted subject peoples

10:16-19 – Light of Israel, God's majestic glory

10:20-23 – only a remnant will return

10:22 – sand of the sea - recalls God's oath to the patriarchs - Genesis 22:17, Romans 9:27

Remnant refers to those remaining after Judah's punishment, from whom a great people will arise. During the Exile the remnant was the deported people (Ezekiel 6:8-10) whom God would bring back and make great. After the Exile Jewish faithlessness evoked again the pre-exile concept (Zechariah 8:11; 14:2)

10:24-27c – oracle of promise

10:27-32 – the approach of the Assyrians - the invader approached from the north toward the outskirts of Jerusalem (Jeremiah 6:1-3 )

10:33-34 – The Lord, the forester will cut down Assyria

11:1-9 – The messianic king - Jesse, David's father Matthew 1

Wisdom and Justice were traditionally associated in the ideal king - Psalm 72

11:6-8 – His reign will be "paradise regained" - Ezekiel 47:1-12

11:9 – my holy mountain 65:25

10:11-16 – the messianic age restored and reunited Israel takes vengeance against her oppressors

12:1-6 – two songs: vs. 1-3 song of deliverance; vs. 4-6 song of thanksgiving

Shout aloud and sing for joy - Zephaniah 3:14; in your midst - God in his temple