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5. Woe to those who trust in horses and chariots, (**Chs. 31-32**).

a. The folly of relying upon Egypt or Assyria. Jehovah, not Egypt or Assyria, is to determine Jerusalem's destiny, (**Ch. 31**).

b. New era for Judah: sifted and purified. Reign of the righteous king, (**32:1-8**).

c. But at present, sin. Rebuke of the women, (**32:9-15**).

d. Blessings in the distant future – Messianic, (**32:16-20**).

# Questions

1. “\_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_,” says the \_\_\_\_\_, “Who take \_\_\_\_\_ but not of \_\_\_\_\_, and who \_\_\_\_\_, but not of \_\_\_\_\_, that they may add \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_” (30:1)
2. In whom did the people of God put their trust?
3. What is Egypt called? **(30:7)** What does this mean?
4. In what way did God intend to save His people? What was their reaction? **(30:15-16)**
5. What is the condition for receiving blessings from God? **(30:18)** What does this mean?
6. What nation is being judged by God in **30:27-33**?
7. Contrast what led Judah to put their trust in Egypt at the threat of Assyria with how Assyria was defeated **(ch. 31)**.
8. What king is considered in **32:1**?
9. What transformation is described concerning the subjects of this king? **(32:1-8)**

## Thought Question:

**Isaiah 30:8-11** presents a sad case of rebellion in the people of God who prefer “smooth things” and “deceits” over “right things” from God. Is there a New Testament parallel? What does it mean to “endure sound doctrine?”



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