

Habakkuk 2:15-20

#4 - Habakkuk 2:15-17

2:15 “Woe to him who makes his neighbors drink—you pour out your wrath and make them drunk, in order to gaze at their nakedness!

2:16 You will have your fill of shame instead of glory.

Drink, yourself, and show your uncircumcision!

The cup in the Lord's right hand will come around to you, and utter shame will come upon your glory!

2:17 The violence done to Lebanon will overwhelm you, as will the destruction of the beasts that terrified them, for the blood of man and violence to the earth, to cities and all who dwell in them.

1. The image is drunkenness that puts the drunk person in a state of incapacitation, humiliation and vulnerability.
2. The image of drunkenness is used in Scripture of the state man is in when he is arrogant and thinks he is unstoppable, but the Lord allows this hubris to confuse the man to walk confidently into his destruction.
 - a. Job 21:20 – “Let their own eyes see their destruction, and let them drink of the wrath of the Almighty.”
 - b. Psalm 75:8 – “For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup with foaming wine, well mixed, and he pours out from it, and all the wicked of the earth shall drain it down to the dregs.”
 - c. Isaiah 19:14 – “The Lord has mingled within her a spirit of confusion, and they will make Egypt stagger in all its deeds, as a drunken man staggers in his vomit.
 - d. Isaiah 29:9-10 – “Astonish yourselves[b] and be astonished; blind yourselves and be blind! Be drunk, but not with wine; stagger, but not with strong drink!
For the Lord has poured out upon you a spirit of deep sleep, and has closed your eyes (the prophets), and covered your heads (the seers)”
 - e. Isaiah 51:17-22 – concerning Babylon
 - f. Jeremiah 25:8-29 – concerning Babylon
 - g. Jeremiah 51:7 – “Babylon was a golden cup in the Lord's hand, making all the earth drunken; the nations drank of her wine; therefore the nations went mad.”
 - h. In Revelation 17
3. Babylon had poured out what they thought was their own will and wrath. So, Babylon glorified themselves and became arrogant (hubris) which was themselves becoming drunk and incapable of rightly discerning Truth and Reality. This led them into great error and deception.
4. Babylon is guilty of the
 - a. *hamas* (“violence”, 2:17), which is social oppression done to “Lebanon”
 - b. *sod* – “plunder” or “destruction”, which is “violence, havoc, devastation, ruin” done to the beasts which “made them afraid
 - c. *middeme* - “blood” of man
 - d. *hamas* (“violence”, second time in 2:17) to the:
 - i. earth
 - ii. cities

iii. all who dwell in them

5. "Lebanon"

a. The country north of the land of Israel

b. Often used to refer to the general land of Israel:

i. 1 Kings 9:19

ii. Song of Songs 4:8

iii. Isaiah 33:9

iv. Nahum 1:4

v. Given to Israel by the Lord:

1. Deut 1:7-8

2. Josh 1:4

vi. Symbol of Israel:

1. 2 Kings 14:9

2. Jeremiah 22:6

3. Jeremiah 22:23

vii. Used to identify Israel as the victim of Babylon

1. Ezekiel 17:3

6. 2:17 repeats 2:8

637 [e]

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and Even

Conj-w | Conj

2573 [e]

ḥā·mā·tə·kā

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your bottle

N-fsc | 2ms

5596 [e]

mə·sap·pê·aḥ

מְסַפֵּחַ

Pressing [him to]

V-Piel-Prtcpl-ms

7453 [e]

rê·'ê·hū,

רֵעֵהוּ

his neighbor

N-msc | 3ms

8248 [e]

maš·qêh

מַשְׁקֵה

to him who gives drink to

V-Hifil-Prtcpl-msc

1945 [e]

hō·w

הוּי

Woe

Interjection

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4589 [e]

mə·'ō·w·rê·hem.

מעוריהם:

his nakedness

N-mpc | 3mp

5921 [e]

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on

Prep

5027 [e]

hab·bîṭ

הַבַּיִט

you may look

V-Hifil-Inf

4616 [e]

lə·ma·'an

לְמַעַן

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7937 [e]

šak·kêr;

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to make [him] drunk

V-Piel-InfAbs

	6188 [e]	859 [e]	1571 [e]	8354 [e]	3519 [e]	7036 [e]	7646 [e]	
	wə·hê·'ā·rêl;	'at·tāh	gām-	šə·têh	mik·kā·bō·wḏ,	qā·lō·wn	šā·ba·'tā	
—	וְהֵעָרַל	אַתָּה	גַּם־	שָׁתֵה	מִכְבוֹד	קְלוֹן	שָׂבַעְתָּ	16
	and be exposed as uncircumcised	You	also	Drink	instead of glory	with shame	You are filled	
	Conj-w V-Nifal-Imp-ms	Pro-2ms	Conj	V-Qal-Imp-ms	Prep-m N-ms	N-ms	V-Qal-Perf-2ms	

	3519 [e]	5921 [e]	7022 [e]	3068 [e]	3225 [e]	3563 [e]	5921 [e]	5437 [e]
	kə·bō·w·de·kā.	'al-	wə·qī·qā·lō·wn	Yah·weh,	yə·mīn	kō·ws	'ā·le·kā,	tis·sō·wḏ
·	כְּבוֹדְךָ:	עַל־	וְקִיְקָלוֹן	יְהוָה	יְמִין	כּוֹס	עָלֶיךָ	תִּסּוּב
	your glory	on	and utter shame will be	of Yahweh	of the right hand	the cup	against you	[will be] turned
	N-msc 2ms	Prep	Conj-w N-ms	N-proper-ms	N-fsc	N-fsc	Prep 2ms	V-Qal-Imperf-3fs

	2865 [e]	929 [e]	7701 [e]	3680 [e]	3844 [e]	2555 [e]	3588 [e]
	yə·hī·tan;	bə·hê·mō·wḏ	wə·šōḏ	yə·kas·se·kā,	lə·bā·nō·wn	hā·mas	kī
·	יַחֲתִנוּ	בְּהֵמוֹת	וְשָׁד	יִכְסֶה	לְבָנוֹן	הַמָּס	כִּי
	[which] made them afraid	of beasts	and the plunder	will cover you	Lebanon	the violence [done to]	For
	V-Hifil-Imperf-3ms 3fp	N-fp	Conj-w N-msc	V-Piel-Imperf-3ms 2mse	N-proper-fs	N-msc	Conj

		3427 [e]	3605 [e]	7151 [e]	776 [e]	2555 [e]	120 [e]	1818 [e]	
	s	bāh.	yō·šə·bē	wə·kāl	qir·yāh	'e·reš,	wa·hā·mas-	'ā·ḏām	mid·də·mé
	ס	בָּהּ:	יֹשְׁבֵי	וְכָל־	קִרְיָהּ	אֶרֶץ	וְהַמָּס־	אֲדָם	מִדְּמַי
	-	in it	who dwell	and of all	[and] the city	of the land	and the violence	of men	because of blood
	Punc	Prep 3fs	V-Qal-Prtcpl-mpc	Conj-w N-msc	N-fs	N-fs	Conj-w N-msc	N-ms	Prep-m N-mpc

#5 - Habakkuk 2:18-20

2:18 “What profit is an idol when its maker has shaped it, a metal image, a teacher of lies?

For its maker trusts in his own creation when he makes speechless idols!

2:19 Woe to him who says to a wooden thing, Awake; to a silent stone, Arise! Can this teach?

Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in it.

2:20 But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”

3384 [e]	4541 [e]	3336 [e]	6458 [e]	3588 [e]	6459 [e]	3276 [e]	4100 [e]	
ū·mō·w·reh	mas·sê·kâh	yō·ṣə·rōw,	pə·sā·lōw	kî	pe·sel,	hō·w·'îl	māh-	
וּמוֹרֶה	מִסְכָּה	יָצְרוֹ	כָּסְלוֹ	כִּי	פְסֵל	הוֹעִיל	מָה	18
and a teacher	the molded image	its maker	should carve it	that	the image	profit is	What	
Conj-w V-Hifil-Prtcpl-ms	N-fs	V-Qal-Prtcpl-msc 3ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms 3ms	Conj	N-ms	V-Hifil-Perf-3ms	Interrog	

483 [e]	457 [e]	6213 [e]	5921 [e]	3335 [e]	3335 [e]	982 [e]	3588 [e]	8267 [e]
s	'il·lə·mîm.	'ē·lî·lîm	la·'ă·śō·wṭ	'ā·lāw,	yiṣ·rōw	yō·ṣēr	bā·ṭah	kî
ס	אַלְמִים	אֱלִילִים	לַעֲשׂוֹת	עָלָיו	יָצְרוֹ	יַצֵּר	בְּטַח	כִּי
-	mute	idols	to make	in it	of its mold	the maker	should trust	that
Punc	Adj-mp	N-mp	Prep-I V-Qal-Inf	Prep 3ms	N-msc 3ms	V-Qal-Prtcpl-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms	Conj
								of lies
								N-ms

3384 [e]	1931 [e]	1748 [e]	68 [e]	5782 [e]	6974 [e]	6086 [e]	559 [e]	1945 [e]
yō·w·reh,	hū	dū·mām;	lə·'e·ben	'ū·rî	hā·qî·ṣāh,	lā·'êṣ	'ō·mēr	hō·w
!	יּוֹרֶה	הוא	דוֹמֵם	לְאַבֵּן	עוֹרִי	הַקִּיץ	לְעֵץ	אָמַר
shall teach	it	silent	to stone	Arise	Awake	to wood	to him who says	Woe
V-Hifil-Imperf-3ms	Pro-3ms	Adv	Prep-I N-fsc	V-Qal-Imp-fs	V-Hifil-Imp-ms 3fs	Prep-I, Art N-ms	V-Qal-Prtcpl-ms	Interjection

7130 [e]	369 [e]	7307 [e]	3605 [e]	3701 [e]	2091 [e]	8610 [e]	1931 [e]	2009 [e]
bə·qîr·bōw.	'ên	rū·ah	wə·kāl	wā·ke·seḇ,	zā·hāb	tā·pūs	hū,	hin·nêh-
.	בְּקִרְבוֹ	אֵין	רוּחַ	וְכֹל-	וְכֶסֶף	וְזָהָב	תְּפוּשׁ	הוא
	in it	there is no	breath	and yet at all	and silver	with gold	overlaid	it [is]
	Prep-b N-msc 3ms	Adv	N-cs	Conj-w N-msc	Conj-w N-ms	N-ms	V-Qal-QalPassPrtcpl-ms	Pro-3ms
								Interjection
								behold

776 [e]	3605 [e]	6440 [e]	2013 [e]	6944 [e]	1964 [e]	3068 [e]	
p̄	hā·'ā·reṣ.	kāl-	mip·pā·nāw	has	qā·də·šōw;	bə·hê·kal	
פ	הָאָרֶץ	כָּל-	מִפְנֵי	הֵס	קִדְשׁוֹ	בְּהֵיכַל	
-	the earth	all	before Him	let keep silence	His holy	in temple	
Punc	Art N-fs	N-msc	Prep-m N-cpc 3ms	Interjection	N-msc 3ms	Prep-b N-msc	
						Conj-w N-proper-ms	
							But Yahweh is
							20