

# Isaiah 10:20

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.

## Analysis

The phrase 'in that day' points to post-judgment restoration. The 'remnant of Israel' demonstrates God's covenant faithfulness—despite judgment, He preserves a people. 'Shall no more again stay upon him that smote them' means they'll stop trusting oppressors (like seeking Assyrian alliances). Instead, they'll 'stay upon the Lord' (lean on, trust in) the Holy One of Israel 'in truth.' This conversion from political maneuvering to genuine faith represents true reformation. Judgment produces genuine repentance in the remnant.

## Historical Context

Fulfilled when Judah, after being saved from Assyria (701 BC), experienced religious reformation under Hezekiah and later Josiah. The remnant that returned from Babylonian exile (538 BC onward) had learned through bitter experience to trust God rather than foreign alliances. This pattern continues—hardship often produces deeper faith in God's remnant. The ultimate fulfillment comes in the church—the true remnant trusting Christ alone.

## Related Passages

**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

## Study Questions

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1. How does God use judgment to wean His people from false securities to genuine trust in Him?
2. What is the difference between trusting God out of convenience versus 'in truth' (genuine faith)?
3. How has hardship in your life produced deeper trust in God rather than worldly alternatives?

## Interlinear Text

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וְיֹאמֶר יְהוָה	בַּיּוֹם	לֹא	בְּהַזְּמָן	יֹאֵךְ יְהוָה
H1961	And it shall come to pass in that day	H1931	H3808	shall no more again
	H3117		H3254	
וְעַד עַד	שָׁאַר	וְשְׁרָאָל	וּפְלִיטָה	בֵּית יַעֲקֹב
H5750	that the remnant	H7605	H3478	of the house of Jacob
			H6413	H1004 H3290
וְיַעֲשֶׂה	עַל	מִקְּהוֹן	עַל	וְיַעֲשֶׂה
stay	H5921	upon him that smote	stay	H5921 upon the LORD
H8172		H5221	H8172	H3068 the Holy One
וְיַעֲמֹד	וְיַעֲמֹד			
of Israel	in truth			
H3478	H571			

## Additional Cross-References

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**Isaiah 1:9** (References Lord): Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.

**Isaiah 50:10** (References Lord): Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.

**2 Kings 16:7** (References Israel): So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I am thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me.

**2 Chronicles 28:20** (Parallel theme): And Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but strengthened him not.

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