

Isaiah 5:27

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:

Analysis

The invading army's tireless perfection—"none shall be weary," "none shall slumber nor sleep," unbroken equipment—depicts divinely empowered judgment force. The hyperbolic description (shoes and latchets unbroken) emphasizes that when God commissions judgment, nothing hinders its execution. This supernatural efficiency demonstrates that resistance to divine judgment is futile, anticipating Joel's description of the Lord's army (Joel 2:7-9).

Historical Context

Assyrian military machine was renowned for discipline and effectiveness. Isaiah presents their success as divinely enabled, making resistance not merely militarily but theologically futile.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Study Questions

1. How does the supernatural efficiency of judgment armies reveal divine determination?
2. What does the futility of resisting God's judgment teach about the wisdom of repentance?

Interlinear Text

לֹא־בְּזִבְחָלְאֵין

H369 **None shall be weary** H369 **nor stumble** H0 H3808

H5889

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בְּנִמְתָּחָה וְלֹא־יִשְׁתַּחֲוֵד

among them none shall slumber H3808 **nor sleep** H3808 **be loosed**

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שְׁרַר וְרַקְעַנְתָּה וְלֹא־בְּלִצְבָּה

neither shall the girdle of their loins H3808 **be broken** **nor the latchet**

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בְּעַלְיוֹן:

of their shoes

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Additional Cross-References

Job 12:18 (Parallel theme): He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a girdle.

Job 12:21 (Parallel theme): He poureth contempt upon princes, and weakeneth the strength of the mighty.