

Jeremiah 48:26

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Make ye him drunken: for he magnified himself against the LORD: Moab also shall wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision.

Analysis

Make Moab 'drunken' for he 'magnified himself against the LORD.' Drunkenness symbolizes confusion, helplessness, and shame. Moab's pride against God brings humiliating judgment. The image of Moab wallowing in vomit emphasizes the degradation of those who exalt themselves against God. Pride always precedes fall (Prov 16:18).

Historical Context

Moab's pride against Judah was ultimately pride against Judah's God. Their mockery of God's people (48:27) brought divine retribution.

Related Passages

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Study Questions

1. How does pride against God's people ultimately constitute pride against God?
2. What does the humiliation of proud Moab teach about God's opposition to arrogance?

Interlinear Text

הַשְׂכִּיחַ הוּ Make ye him drunken H7937	עַל כִּי H3588	יְהוָה H5921	הִמְשֵׁךְ H3068	לְהַגְדִּיל for he magnified H1431
וְסָפַּ קַּ also shall wallow H5606	מוֹאָב Moab H4124	בִּקְיָא וּ in his vomit H6892	וְהָ הֵ H1961	לִשְׂחֹק and he also shall be in derision H7814
גַּם H1571	הוּא H1931			

Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 29:9 (Parallel theme): Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

Isaiah 19:14 (References Lord): The LORD hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken man staggereth in his vomit.

Jeremiah 48:42 (References Lord): And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath magnified himself against the LORD.

Jeremiah 51:39 (References Lord): In their heat I will make their feasts, and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 51:7 (References Lord): Babylon hath been a golden cup in the LORD'S hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad.

Jeremiah 48:39 (Parallel theme): They shall howl, saying, How is it broken down! how hath Moab turned the back with shame! so shall Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him.

Exodus 5:2 (References Lord): And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

Lamentations 4:21 (Parallel theme): Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Uz; the cup also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.

Daniel 5:23 (References Lord): But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:

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