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We have noticed that the first main section of the book of Isaiah, which is made up of chapters 1 to 6, and which is more general in nature than those parts which follow, may be divided into three sections, each including both a message of God's wrath upon those who have sinned against Him and a vision of God's future blessing for those who are true to Him. We have noticed that the first of these sections, beginning with the rebuke upon Israel and Jerusalem for turning away from God who had so wonderfully blessed them, ends with predictions of terrible destruction which God is to bring upon the city, and then is followed by a wonderful vision in which the eye of the prophet looks forward to the future and sees the city restored and becoming a world capital from which the power of God goes out through all the world to establish justice and peace and happiness. This is, of course, that period which we call the Millennium.

~~Section Two~~ -- ISAIAH 2:6-4:6

After the ~~wonderful~~ exhortation in Isaiah 2:5, calling upon the house of Jacob to walk in the light of the Lord, who is able to bring to pass such a wonderful time of happiness and security as that which has just been described, the prophet abruptly turns his vision back to the terrible sin of the people of his day. Certainly there is an important dividing point in the book of Isaiah between 2:5 and 2:6. The latter verse begins a long passage of denunciation of the people for their wickedness and sinful pride, including many declarations of the punishment ~~which God is going to bring~~ <sup>with sword on account</sup> as a result of this sin. The passage ends with a terrible denunciation of the daughters of Zion for their wantonness and their forgetfulness of God. From 3:16 through 4:1 the prophet is describing the pride of these women who look entirely to personal adornment for their pleasure, instead of looking to spiritual