there is no god. He said If there is a God in heaven, I eak challenge Him to strike me dead. And He said I am going to stand here for two minutes and if God doesn't strike me dead in two minutes, you can know there is no God. And they said these though those people at that time were declared atheists who had closed the churches and were opposing all religion at that point. They were exalting the goddess of liberty and declaring their opposition of to God. Yet, many of them in the back of their heart had a secret feeling that , after all, there was a ge God and people sat with bated breath for over two minutes as they waited, and no thunderbolt came, and then with a sign and a laugh they went on with the business, but they say the next day as this man was on his way to the chamber of deputies a little insect stung him in they eye, and the poison entered into his system and he died in a few hours. God didn't use a thunderbolt on him. God doesn't have to use the instruments that we think He may use . He has plenty of other instruments that He can use to accomplishe His purpose. MAnd He says "For Lo, I raise up the Chaldeans that bitter and hasty nation which shall march through the breadth of the land, to possess the dwelling-places that are not theirs. They are terrible and dreadful: their judgment and their dignity shall poceed of themselves. Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are mon- more fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the cagle that hasteth to eat. They shall come all for violence: their faces shall sup up as the east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand. And they shall scoff at the kiggs, and the princes shall be a scorn unto them: they shall a deride every strong hold; for they shall heap dust, and take it. Then shall his mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend, imputing this his power unto his god." In other words , here is a wicked people having their own gods. Hed--Ged---gods

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