

"I bring near my righteousness. It shall not be far off." He says, you people are not ready to believe my promises. You are saying this is a lot of superstition. God couldn't do anything. The idols are sent from god. He says I am going to bring my righteousness, my salvation. "My salvation shall not tarry: and I will salvation in Zion, for Israel my glory." Then He goes right on with the judgment on the gods of Babylon.

47:1 "Come and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit on the ground. There is no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans." He goes on here, with His pouring out His vengeance upon the Chaldeans, who were God's instruments, but who deserved punishment, because they have not recognized themselves as God's instruments but have said not that they were anything as over against him. And so they are to be punished for their mistreatment of Israel; for their obstinatey; for their pride; and he describes this in these verses. Then the power of God again, "Our redeemer is the Lord of Hosts, the Holy One of Israel." Again, the condemnation of the Babylonians. Verse 5, verse 6, "I was wroth with my people, I have polluted mine inheritance, and given them into thine hand; but thou didst ~~h~~ shew them no mercy." God gave them into the hands of the Babylonians, but the Babylonians mistreated them. "And thou saidst, I shall be a lady forever: so that thou didst not lay these things to thy heart." He is sending the Babylonians for their pride, for their stubbornness, for their haughtiness. "I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children. These two things shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood." We don't often see this verse quoted as one of the prophecies of the Bible. "But these two things shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood. They shall come upon thee in their perfection." There are some verses that people take out of context and apply to all sorts of people and all sorts of circumstances, but this is left to the immediate thing it was applied to in the first place. To the Chaldeans. God was going to suddenly bring this terrible destruction upon Babylon, and to deliver His people. "For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness." The condemnation of Babylon. 47: "Therefore shall evil come upon thee. Thou shalt not know from whence it riseth." Further it is sudden destruction of Babylon. Condemnation of them for their enchantments