

that ~~ix~~ it was no longer to be a city, just/ ^{to be} a plowed field. And in the providence of God, when the mediaeval city of Jerusalem was built up that section of Zion was left outside the wall, ~~and when~~ and when I was there in 1929 you could see farmers plowing across that very area, outside the present wall of Jerusalem, where David's palace had been. And so these declarations in verse 12 here were literally fulfilled there in Jerusalem. Zion, the section where David's palace was, it was plowed like a field, instead of being a place of a ^(the?) ~~great~~ great wonderful palace. And Jerusalem became just a heap of ruins when the Babylonians conquered it a little over a hundred years after Isaiah spoke, after Isaiah and Micah both spoke. And the 'mountain of the ~~house~~ house," that is the hill on which the temple was, he said that would become just like a high place in a forest. And for many years Palestine was just left a desolation until the Israelites came back after the exile and rebuilt much of it.

But now, after he had given ~~the~~ this ^{terrible} ~~awful~~ denunciation, and told of these awful things that are ahead in verse 12 here, then he goes on in the next verse, and these chapter divisions in the Bible are often ~~just~~ just interruptions of the thought; they are very handy for finding places, but ~~they~~ they weren't ~~originally~~ originally in the Bible. We shouldn't let them keep us from seeing the connection between two succeeding verses. In the next verse Micah turns his attention away from the nation as a whole and looks to the godly (?). And he looks to the godly people who ~~g~~ tend to give way to the spirit - they think of this awful fate coming upon Jerusalem, and he says to them, "However, later on ("in the last days," - "later on" ~~is~~ I think is a good way to express ~~it~~ in English the thought in the Hebrew expressed there in the words "in the last days")--"sometime later ~~on~~ on," he ^{said,} ~~says~~ "it's going to come to pass that the ~~mountain~~ mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountain, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. ~~And~~ And many nations shall come, and say, ~~Come~~ Come, ~~let~~ let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth from Zion,