

# The Proud Will Be Made Low

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“Enter into the rock, and hide in the dust, From the terror of the LORD And the glory of His majesty. The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, The haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, And the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. For the day of the LORD of hosts *Shall come* upon everything proud and lofty, Upon everything lifted up—And it shall be brought low— Upon all the cedars of Lebanon *that are* high and lifted up, And upon all the oaks of Bashan; Upon all the high mountains, And upon all the hills *that are* lifted up; Upon every high tower, And upon every fortified wall; Upon all the ships of Tarshish, And upon all the beautiful sloops. The loftiness of man shall be bowed down, And the haughtiness of men shall be brought low; The LORD alone will be exalted in that day, But the idols He shall utterly abolish. They shall go into the holes of the rocks, And into the caves of the earth, From the terror of the LORD And the glory of His majesty, When He arises to shake the earth mightily. In that day a man will cast away his idols of silver And his idols of gold, Which they made, *each* for himself to worship, To the moles and bats, To go into the clefts of the rocks, And into the crags of the rugged rocks, From the terror of the LORD And the glory of His majesty, When He arises to shake the earth mightily. Sever yourselves from such a man, Whose breath *is* in his nostrils; For of what account is he?” (Isaiah 2:10-22 NKJV)

These days and in this country, it is easy for men to think they are more than they are. The truth is everyone who does not flee to the Lord will someday flee from Him.

God tolerates the wicked for the sake of the elect and for His own glory. “*What* if God, wanting to show *His* wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory?” (Romans 9:22-23 NKJV) “Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor?” (Romans 9:21 NKJV)

Someday He will cause all to bow. That day every high-minded, self-righteous, and self-sufficient man will hide, trembling in fear from the presence of the Lord.

It could be that day will not come for you until you leave this world. However, the day of the Lord is coming. Whether it is a worldwide event or your personal encounter with Christ after death, your time is coming. Do not wait until that day to bow your head for then it will be too late.

Humble yourself today that you may have life, and not fear His appearing. “For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.” (Titus 2:11-14 NKJV)