

## B. Detailed discussion of 9-11

## 1. The reasoning behind our divisions

That the subject material easily divides along the line of the three divisions mentioned above, should be apparent. Practically all of 9:1-8 is given to a consideration of Gentilic territories around Judah in a coming warfare. In 9:9 the direction of address changes sharply and is given to Judah. This direct address is continued through 10:1. At that point the spokesman begins to talk about Judah but what is said about it compares very favorably with what has been said to it, so it seems best to keep 9:9--10:12 as another unit of thought. Chapter 11 introduces the woe of the flock that has suffered badly from incompetent shepherdry, etc. This speaks of the trials of Judah much more than of the victory or triumph. It seems very correct then, to treat this as a separate section with its own thrust and meaning.

## 2, Detailed discussion of 9:1-8

We move in a bit varied methodology from the first eight chapters and now give the Hebrew notes interspersed with commentary on the text...a lot of it we will discuss in class.

## a. The study

9:1...note the following

the land of Hadrach

his rest בְּנֵי חֲמַת (ח.ח.)

eyes of man and all tribes of Israel

towards the Lord

Note this final expression "to the Lord could indicate fear, expectation, trust, or mere observation...or maybe something else otherwise unnoted!

9:2 the geographical locations

Hamath

"shall border" יְבָרְכֶנּוּ