

10:3 note the word order

הַיְגֵי הַיָּמִים "the goats" Observe the references to goats when they seem to be metanymies for leaders (Jer. 50:8; Isa 14:9, Ezekiel 2w4:17) and when used in a similar fashion but to describe the people in a sacrificial role or lot (Jer. 51:40; Isa 34:6; Ezek. 39:18) It is interesting, but perhaps not instructive, that the prophets use the terms the same ways to about the same number of times.

Note the twofold use of קָרַן in this verse.

10:4 מִן־הַיְהוָה "from him" the Lord or Judah?

כַּנֶּשֶׁת "a corner" see Jdg. 20:2
1 Sam 14:38, Isa. 19:13 and particularly Isa. 28:16 (MT)

דָּבַר "peg"
 קַשְׁת־מִלְחָמָה "the bow of battle"

שֹׁרֵץ "the oppressor" The thought seems to be of one who carries the combined strength of the mentioned group.

The sure deliverance or foundation will be set up by God but His people will be active in it. This, along with the previous chapter, is part of the total picture of encouragement given the Jews. It should give them an interest in the planned destiny and a will for the immediate project.

(2) Observation:

We have treated this as a separate section because it seems that 10:5 practically goes back to the language of 9:16. Vs. 4 probably is linked to 9:9, in my thinking, with the latter passage assessing the king's person and the former his work.