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B. A DAY OF TROUBLE, (ALSO JOEL 3:10, NATIONS SHALL BEAT THEIR PLOWSHARES INTO SWORDS, PRUNINGHOOKS INTO SPEARS)

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ZECHARIAH 1:12

(2). IT SHALL INCLUDE THE FALLEN ANGELS, JUDE V.6

B. JUDGMENT SHALL BE TEMPERED WITH PROMISED BLESSING.

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FOR HE IS GRACIOUS AND MERCIFUL," JOEL 3:13

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#### 1. THE FOUR FREEDOMS: (ISA. 2:10-20)

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