

Micah 1:10~ **In Gath, do not you men tell it out, positively do not weep. In the house of Aphrah, wallow in the very dust.**

1· These two towns belonged to the Philistines, and there the men are told not to weep, nor to tell it out. The name Aphrah means dust, and so Micah uses a play on words, to show, that they would wallow in the dust over this.

[Question] How does Micah use three town's names to make a play upon words, to show how Israel will then come to feel?

2· Do not, you people, tell it in Gath. Do not announce it in the streets of Ashkelon, for fear, that the daughters of the Philistines may rejoice, for fear, that the daughters of the uncircumcised men may exult. (**2 Samuel 1:20**)

[Question] Why were the deaths of Saul and Jonathan not to be announced before the Philistines?

3· O daughter of my people, gird on sackcloth and wallow in the ashes. Make your mourning that for an only son, the wailing of bitterness, because suddenly, the despoiler will come upon us. (**Jeremiah 6:26**)

[Question] How did Jeremiah show, that Judah should mourn over the despoiler, that was coming upon them?

4· And over you they will certainly let themselves be heard with their voice, and will cry out bitterly. And they will bring up dust upon their heads. In the ashes they will wallow. (**Ezekiel 27:30**)

[Question] How did Ezekiel show, how they would come to feel when the city of Tyre was despoiled?