

THE OLD TESTAMENT

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Jeremiah

- 001:001 The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin:
- 001:002 To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.
- 001:003 It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month.
- 001:004 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- 001:005 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.
- 001:006 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child.
- 001:007 But the LORD said unto me, Say not, I am a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.
- 001:008 Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD.
- 001:009 Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.
- 001:010 See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.
- 001:011 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree.
- 001:012 Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.
- 001:013 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot; and the face thereof is toward the north.
- 001:014 Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.
- 001:015 For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.

001:016 And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.

001:017 Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.

001:018 For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.

001:019 And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

002:001 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

002:002 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown.

002:003 Israel was holiness unto the LORD, and the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD.

002:004 Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel:

002:005 Thus saith the LORD, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain?

002:006 Neither said they, Where is the LORD that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?

002:007 And I brought you into a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof; but when ye entered, ye defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination.

002:008 The priests said not, Where is the LORD? and they that handle the law knew me not: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after things that do not profit.

002:009 Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith the LORD, and with your children's children will I plead.

002:010 For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar,

and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.

002:011 Hath a nation changed their gods, which are yet no gods? but my people have changed their glory for that which doth not profit.

002:012 Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith the LORD.

002:013 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

002:014 Is Israel a servant? is he a homeborn slave? why is he spoiled?

002:015 The young lions roared upon him, and yelled, and they made his land waste: his cities are burned without inhabitant.

002:016 Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes have broken the crown of thy head.

002:017 Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, when he led thee by the way?

002:018 And now what hast thou to do in the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? or what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?

002:019 Thine own wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee: know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, and that my fear is not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

002:020 For of old time I have broken thy yoke, and burst thy bands; and thou saidst, I will not transgress; when upon every high hill and under every green tree thou wanderest, playing the harlot.

002:021 Yet I had planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me?

002:022 For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much soap, yet thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.

002:023 How canst thou say, I am not polluted, I have not gone after Baalim? see thy way in the valley, know what thou hast done: thou art a swift dromedary traversing her ways;

002:024 A wild ass used to the wilderness, that snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.

002:025 Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but thou saidst, There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.

002:026 As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets.

002:027 Saying to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for they have turned their back unto me, and not their face: but in the time of their trouble they will say, Arise, and save us.

002:028 But where are thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can save thee in the time of thy trouble: for according to the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Judah.

002:029 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against me, saith the LORD.

002:030 In vain have I smitten your children; they received no correction: your own sword hath devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.

002:031 O generation, see ye the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, We are lords; we will come no more unto thee?

002:032 Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number.

002:033 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.

002:034 Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the souls of the poor innocents: I have not found it by secret search, but upon all these.

002:035 Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with thee, because thou sayest, I have not sinned.

002:036 Why gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? thou also shalt be ashamed of Egypt, as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.

002:037 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.

003:001 They say, If a man put away his wife, and she go from him, and become another man's, shall he return unto her again? shall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou hast played the harlot with many lovers; yet return again to me, saith the LORD.

003:002 Lift up thine eyes unto the high places, and see where thou hast not been lien with. In the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and thou hast polluted the land with thy whoredoms and with thy wickedness.

003:003 Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.

003:004 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou art the guide of my youth?

003:005 Will he reserve his anger for ever? will he keep it to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done evil things as thou couldest.

003:006 The LORD said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot.

003:007 And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it.

003:008 And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.

003:009 And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks.

003:010 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith the LORD.

003:011 And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

003:012 Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the LORD, and I will not keep anger for ever.

003:013 Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD.

003:014 Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

003:015 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

003:016 And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the LORD, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the LORD: neither shall it come to

mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit it; neither shall that be done any more.

003:017 At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart.

003:018 In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers.

003:019 But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of nations? and I said, Thou shalt call me, My father; and shalt not turn away from me.

003:020 Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.

003:021 A voice was heard upon the high places, weeping and supplications of the children of Israel: for they have perverted their way, and they have forgotten the LORD their God.

003:022 Return, ye backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come unto thee; for thou art the LORD our God.

003:023 Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly in the LORD our God is the salvation of Israel.

003:024 For shame hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our youth; their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters.

003:025 We lie down in our shame, and our confusion covereth us: for we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.

004:001 If thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove.

004:002 And thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory.

004:003 For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns.

004:004 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest

- my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings.
- 004:005 Declare ye in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land: cry, gather together, and say, Assemble yourselves, and let us go into the defenced cities.
- 004:006 Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction.
- 004:007 The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.
- 004:008 For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the LORD is not turned back from us.
- 004:009 And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the LORD, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder.
- 004:010 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.
- 004:011 At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, A dry wind of the high places in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, not to fan, nor to cleanse,
- 004:012 Even a full wind from those places shall come unto me: now also will I give sentence against them.
- 004:013 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots shall be as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.
- 004:014 O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?
- 004:015 For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim.
- 004:016 Make ye mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, that watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah.
- 004:017 As keepers of a field, are they against her round about; because she hath been rebellious against me, saith the LORD.
- 004:018 Thy way and thy doings have procured these things unto thee; this is thy wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart.
- 004:019 My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at my very heart; my heart

maketh a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.

004:020 Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, and my curtains in a moment.

004:021 How long shall I see the standard, and hear the sound of the trumpet?

004:022 For my people is foolish, they have not known me; they are sottish children, and they have none understanding: they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

004:023 I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light.

004:024 I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly.

004:025 I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled.

004:026 I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place was a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the LORD, and by his fierce anger.

004:027 For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a full end.

004:028 For this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black; because I have spoken it, I have purposed it, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it.

004:029 The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they shall go into thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: every city shall be forsaken, and not a man dwell therein.

004:030 And when thou art spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou rentest thy face with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair; thy lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life.

004:031 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, and the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saying, Woe is me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers.

005:001 Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be any that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it.

005:002 And though they say, The LORD liveth; surely they swear falsely.
005:003 O LORD, are not thine eyes upon the truth? thou hast stricken
them, but they have not grieved; thou hast consumed them, but
they have refused to receive correction: they have made their
faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return.
005:004 Therefore I said, Surely these are poor; they are foolish: for they
know not the way of the LORD, nor the judgment of their God.
005:005 I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for they
have known the way of the LORD, and the judgment of their God:
but these have altogether broken the yoke, and burst the bonds.
005:006 Wherefore a lion out of the forest shall slay them, and a wolf of the
evenings shall spoil them, a leopard shall watch over their cities:
every one that goeth out thence shall be torn in pieces: because
their transgressions are many, and their backslidings are
increased.
005:007 How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me,
and sworn by them that are no gods: when I had fed them to the
full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by
troops in the harlots' houses.
005:008 They were as fed horses in the morning: every one neighed after
his neighbour's wife.
005:009 Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD: and shall not my
soul be avenged on such a nation as this?
005:010 Go ye up upon her walls, and destroy; but make not a full end:
take away her battlements; for they are not the LORD's.
005:011 For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very
treacherously against me, saith the LORD.
005:012 They have belied the LORD, and said, It is not he; neither shall
evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine:
005:013 And the prophets shall become wind, and the word is not in them:
thus shall it be done unto them.
005:014 Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, Because ye speak
this word, behold, I will make my words in thy mouth fire, and this
people wood, and it shall devour them.
005:015 Lo, I will bring a nation upon you from far, O house of Israel, saith
the LORD: it is a mighty nation, it is an ancient nation, a nation
whose language thou knowest not, neither understandest what
they say.
005:016 Their quiver is as an open sepulchre, they are all mighty men.
005:017 And they shall eat up thine harvest, and thy bread, which thy sons

and thy daughters should eat: they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds: they shall eat up thy vines and thy fig trees: they shall impoverish thy fenced cities, wherein thou trustedst, with the sword.

005:018 Nevertheless in those days, saith the LORD, I will not make a full end with you.

005:019 And it shall come to pass, when ye shall say, Wherefore doeth the LORD our God all these things unto us? then shalt thou answer them, Like as ye have forsaken me, and served strange gods in your land, so shall ye serve strangers in a land that is not your's.

005:020 Declare this in the house of Jacob, and publish it in Judah, saying,

005:021 Hear now this, O foolish people, and without understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear not:

005:022 Fear ye not me? saith the LORD: will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it?

005:023 But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone.

005:024 Neither say they in their heart, Let us now fear the LORD our God, that giveth rain, both the former and the latter, in his season: he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.

005:025 Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withholden good things from you.

005:026 For among my people are found wicked men: they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

005:027 As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

005:028 They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.

005:029 Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

005:030 A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land;

005:031 The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?

006:001 O ye children of Benjamin, gather yourselves to flee out of the midst of Jerusalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and set up a

sign of fire in Bethhaccerem: for evil appeareth out of the north,
and great destruction.

006:002 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate
woman.

006:003 The shepherds with their flocks shall come unto her; they shall
pitch their tents against her round about; they shall feed every
one in his place.

006:004 Prepare ye war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe
unto us! for the day goeth away, for the shadows of the evening
are stretched out.

006:005 Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.

006:006 For thus hath the LORD of hosts said, Hew ye down trees, and
cast a mount against Jerusalem: this is the city to be visited; she
is wholly oppression in the midst of her.

006:007 As a fountain casteth out her waters, so she casteth out her
wickedness: violence and spoil is heard in her; before me
continually is grief and wounds.

006:008 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul depart from thee;
lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.

006:009 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall thoroughly glean the
remnant of Israel as a vine: turn back thine hand as a
grapegatherer into the baskets.

006:010 To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear?
behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken:
behold, the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach; they have
no delight in it.

006:011 Therefore I am full of the fury of the LORD; I am weary with
holding in: I will pour it out upon the children abroad, and upon the
assembly of young men together: for even the husband with the
wife shall be taken, the aged with him that is full of days.

006:012 And their houses shall be turned unto others, with their fields and
wives together: for I will stretch out my hand upon the inhabitants
of the land, saith the LORD.

006:013 For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every
one is given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the
priest every one dealeth falsely.

006:014 They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people
slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

006:015 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay,
they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore

they shall fall among them that fall: at the time that I visit them they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

006:016 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

006:017 Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

006:018 Therefore hear, ye nations, and know, O congregation, what is among them.

006:019 Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, nor to my law, but rejected it.

006:020 To what purpose cometh there to me incense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me.

006:021 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will lay stumblingblocks before this people, and the fathers and the sons together shall fall upon them; the neighbour and his friend shall perish.

006:022 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, a people cometh from the north country, and a great nation shall be raised from the sides of the earth.

006:023 They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O daughter of Zion.

006:024 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: anguish hath taken hold of us, and pain, as of a woman in travail.

006:025 Go not forth into the field, nor walk by the way; for the sword of the enemy and fear is on every side.

006:026 O daughter of my people, gird thee with sackcloth, and wallow thyself in ashes: make thee mourning, as for an only son, most bitter lamentation: for the spoiler shall suddenly come upon us.

006:027 I have set thee for a tower and a fortress among my people, that thou mayest know and try their way.

006:028 They are all grievous revolvers, walking with slanders: they are brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

006:029 The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.

006:030 Reprobate silver shall men call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.

007:001 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
007:002 Stand in the gate of the LORD's house, and proclaim there this
word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all ye of Judah, that
enter in at these gates to worship the LORD.
007:003 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways
and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.
007:004 Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The
temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, are these.
007:005 For if ye thoroughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye
thoroughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour;
007:006 If ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and
shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other
gods to your hurt:
007:007 Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave
to your fathers, for ever and ever.
007:008 Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit.
007:009 Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and
burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know
not;
007:010 And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by
my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these
abominations?
007:011 Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of
robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith the
LORD.
007:012 But go ye now unto my place which was in Shiloh, where I set my
name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my
people Israel.
007:013 And now, because ye have done all these works, saith the LORD,
and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard
not; and I called you, but ye answered not;
007:014 Therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by my name,
wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to
your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh.
007:015 And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your
brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim.
007:016 Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor
prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not
hear thee.
007:017 Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the

streets of Jerusalem?

007:018 The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

007:019 Do they provoke me to anger? saith the LORD: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces?

007:020 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and it shall burn, and shall not be quenched.

007:021 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Put your burnt offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat flesh.

007:022 For I spake not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices:

007:023 But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.

007:024 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward.

007:025 Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day I have even sent unto you all my servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending them:

007:026 Yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but hardened their neck: they did worse than their fathers.

007:027 Therefore thou shalt speak all these words unto them; but they will not hearken to thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee.

007:028 But thou shalt say unto them, This is a nation that obeyeth not the voice of the LORD their God, nor receiveth correction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.

007:029 Cut off thine hair, O Jerusalem, and cast it away, and take up a lamentation on high places; for the LORD hath rejected and forsaken the generation of his wrath.

007:030 For the children of Judah have done evil in my sight, saith the LORD: they have set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to pollute it.

007:031 And they have built the high places of Tophet, which is in the valley

of the son of Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my heart.

007:032 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter: for they shall bury in Tophet, till there be no place.

007:033 And the carcasses of this people shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall fray them away.

007:034 Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for the land shall be desolate.

008:001 At that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves:

008:002 And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.

008:003 And death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts.

008:004 Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return?

008:005 Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

008:006 I hearkened and heard, but they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

008:007 Yea, the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgment of the LORD.

008:008 How do ye say, We are wise, and the law of the LORD is with us? Lo, certainly in vain made he it; the pen of the scribes is in vain.

008:009 The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in

them?

008:010 Therefore will I give their wives unto others, and their fields to them that shall inherit them: for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness, from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

008:011 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

008:012 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

008:013 I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: there shall be no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree, and the leaf shall fade; and the things that I have given them shall pass away from them.

008:014 Why do we sit still? assemble yourselves, and let us enter into the defenced cities, and let us be silent there: for the LORD our God hath put us to silence, and given us water of gall to drink, because we have sinned against the LORD.

008:015 We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of health, and behold trouble!

008:016 The snorting of his horses was heard from Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones; for they are come, and have devoured the land, and all that is in it; the city, and those that dwell therein.

008:017 For, behold, I will send serpents, cockatrices, among you, which will not be charmed, and they shall bite you, saith the LORD.

008:018 When I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart is faint in me.

008:019 Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people because of them that dwell in a far country: Is not the LORD in Zion? is not her king in her? Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, and with strange vanities?

008:020 The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.

008:021 For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt; I am black; astonishment hath taken hold on me.

008:022 Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?

009:001 Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!

009:002 Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they be all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.

009:003 And they bend their tongues like their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, saith the LORD.

009:004 Take ye heed every one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders.

009:005 And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and weary themselves to commit iniquity.

009:006 Thine habitation is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, saith the LORD.

009:007 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will melt them, and try them; for how shall I do for the daughter of my people?

009:008 Their tongue is as an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: one speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but in heart he layeth his wait.

009:009 Shall I not visit them for these things? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

009:010 For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the habitations of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none can pass through them; neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; both the fowl of the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone.

009:011 And I will make Jerusalem heaps, and a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of Judah desolate, without an inhabitant.

009:012 Who is the wise man, that may understand this? and who is he to whom the mouth of the LORD hath spoken, that he may declare it, for what the land perisheth and is burned up like a wilderness, that none passeth through?

009:013 And the LORD saith, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein;

009:014 But have walked after the imagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them:

009:015 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, even this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.

009:016 I will scatter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them.

009:017 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Consider ye, and call for the mourning women, that they may come; and send for cunning women, that they may come:

009:018 And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters.

009:019 For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we spoiled! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast us out.

009:020 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O ye women, and let your ear receive the word of his mouth, and teach your daughters wailing, and every one her neighbour lamentation.

009:021 For death is come up into our windows, and is entered into our palaces, to cut off the children from without, and the young men from the streets.

009:022 Speak, Thus saith the LORD, Even the carcasses of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the handful after the harvestman, and none shall gather them.

009:023 Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches:

009:024 But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.

009:025 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will punish all them which are circumcised with the uncircumcised;

009:026 Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all that are in the utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all these nations are uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel are uncircumcised in the heart.

010:001 Hear ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:

010:002 Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.

010:003 For the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out

of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe.
010:004 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and
with hammers, that it move not.
010:005 They are upright as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs
be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they
cannot do evil, neither also is it in them to do good.
010:006 Forasmuch as there is none like unto thee, O LORD; thou art
great, and thy name is great in might.
010:007 Who would not fear thee, O King of nations? for to thee doth it
appertain: forasmuch as among all the wise men of the nations,
and in all their kingdoms, there is none like unto thee.
010:008 But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the stock is a doctrine
of vanities.
010:009 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from
Uphaz, the work of the workman, and of the hands of the founder:
blue and purple is their clothing: they are all the work of cunning
men.
010:010 But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an
everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the
nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.
010:011 Thus shall ye say unto them, The gods that have not made the
heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and
from under these heavens.
010:012 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the
world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his
discretion.
010:013 When he uttereth his voice, there is a multitude of waters in the
heavens, and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of
the earth; he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the
wind out of his treasures.
010:014 Every man is brutish in his knowledge: every founder is
confounded by the graven image: for his molten image is
falsehood, and there is no breath in them.
010:015 They are vanity, and the work of errors: in the time of their
visitation they shall perish.
010:016 The portion of Jacob is not like them: for he is the former of all
things; and Israel is the rod of his inheritance: The LORD of hosts
is his name.
010:017 Gather up thy wares out of the land, O inhabitant of the fortress.
010:018 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will sling out the inhabitants of

the land at this once, and will distress them, that they may find it so.

010:019 Woe is me for my hurt! my wound is grievous; but I said, Truly this is a grief, and I must bear it.

010:020 My tabernacle is spoiled, and all my cords are broken: my children are gone forth of me, and they are not: there is none to stretch forth my tent any more, and to set up my curtains.

010:021 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the LORD: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.

010:022 Behold, the noise of the bruit is come, and a great commotion out of the north country, to make the cities of Judah desolate, and a den of dragons.

010:023 O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.

010:024 O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.

010:025 Pour out thy fury upon the heathen that know thee not, and upon the families that call not on thy name: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.

011:001 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD saying,

011:002 Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem;

011:003 And say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Cursed be the man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant,

011:004 Which I commanded your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:

011:005 That I may perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as it is this day. Then answered I, and said, So be it, O LORD.

011:006 Then the LORD said unto me, Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying, Hear ye the words of this covenant, and do them.

011:007 For I earnestly protested unto your fathers in the day that I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, even unto this day, rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice.

011:008 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked every one in

the imagination of their evil heart: therefore I will bring upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded them to do: but they did them not.

011:009 And the LORD said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

011:010 They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words; and they went after other gods to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers.

011:011 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape; and though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them.

011:012 Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go, and cry unto the gods unto whom they offer incense: but they shall not save them at all in the time of their trouble.

011:013 For according to the number of thy cities were thy gods, O Judah; and according to the number of the streets of Jerusalem have ye set up altars to that shameful thing, even altars to burn incense unto Baal.

011:014 Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for I will not hear them in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble.

011:015 What hath my beloved to do in mine house, seeing she hath wrought lewdness with many, and the holy flesh is passed from thee? when thou doest evil, then thou rejoicest.

011:016 The LORD called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

011:017 For the LORD of hosts, that planted thee, hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto Baal.

011:018 And the LORD hath given me knowledge of it, and I know it: then thou shewedst me their doings.

011:019 But I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, saying, Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered.

011:020 But, O LORD of hosts, that judgest righteously, that triest the reins

and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.

011:021 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek thy life, saying, Prophecy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:

011:022 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:

011:023 And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even the year of their visitation.

012:001 Righteous art thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: yet let me talk with thee of thy judgments: Wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? wherefore are all they happy that deal very treacherously?

012:002 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: thou art near in their mouth, and far from their reins.

012:003 But thou, O LORD, knowest me: thou hast seen me, and tried mine heart toward thee: pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

012:004 How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, He shall not see our last end.

012:005 If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and if in the land of peace, wherein thou trustedst, they wearied thee, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?

012:006 For even thy brethren, and the house of thy father, even they have dealt treacherously with thee; yea, they have called a multitude after thee: believe them not, though they speak fair words unto thee.

012:007 I have forsaken mine house, I have left mine heritage; I have given the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies.

012:008 Mine heritage is unto me as a lion in the forest; it crieth out against me: therefore have I hated it.

012:009 Mine heritage is unto me as a speckled bird, the birds round about are against her; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to devour.

012:010 Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my

portion under foot, they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

012:011 They have made it desolate, and being desolate it mourneth unto me; the whole land is made desolate, because no man layeth it to heart.

012:012 The spoilers are come upon all high places through the wilderness: for the sword of the LORD shall devour from the one end of the land even to the other end of the land: no flesh shall have peace.

012:013 They have sown wheat, but shall reap thorns: they have put themselves to pain, but shall not profit: and they shall be ashamed of your revenues because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

012:014 Thus saith the LORD against all mine evil neighbours, that touch the inheritance which I have caused my people Israel to inherit; Behold, I will pluck them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.

012:015 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.

012:016 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to swear by my name, The LORD liveth; as they taught my people to swear by Baal; then shall they be built in the midst of my people.

012:017 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

013:001 Thus saith the LORD unto me, Go and get thee a linen girdle, and put it upon thy loins, and put it not in water.

013:002 So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put it on my loins.

013:003 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,

013:004 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which is upon thy loins, and arise, go to Euphrates, and hide it there in a hole of the rock.

013:005 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me.

013:006 And it came to pass after many days, that the LORD said unto me, Arise, go to Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.

013:007 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it: and, behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for nothing.

013:008 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
013:009 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of
Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.
013:010 This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the
imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve
them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is
good for nothing.
013:011 For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man, so have I caused
to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house
of Judah, saith the LORD; that they might be unto me for a
people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they
would not hear.
013:012 Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; Thus saith the
LORD God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and
they shall say unto thee, Do we not certainly know that every
bottle shall be filled with wine?
013:013 Then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will
fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon
David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the
inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness.
013:014 And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the
sons together, saith the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have
mercy, but destroy them.
013:015 Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.
013:016 Give glory to the LORD your God, before he cause darkness, and
before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye
look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, and make it
gross darkness.
013:017 But if ye will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for
your pride; and mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with
tears, because the LORD's flock is carried away captive.
013:018 Say unto the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down:
for your principalities shall come down, even the crown of your
glory.
013:019 The cities of the south shall be shut up, and none shall open them:
Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly
carried away captive.
013:020 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north:
where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?
013:021 What wilt thou say when he shall punish thee? for thou hast taught

them to be captains, and as chief over thee: shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail?

013:022 And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare.

013:023 Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil.

013:024 Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble that passeth away by the wind of the wilderness.

013:025 This is thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the LORD; because thou hast forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.

013:026 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

013:027 I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, and thine abominations on the hills in the fields. Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be made clean? when shall it once be?

014:001 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning the death.

014:002 Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up.

014:003 And their nobles have sent their little ones to the waters: they came to the pits, and found no water; they returned with their vessels empty; they were ashamed and confounded, and covered their heads.

014:004 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no rain in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.

014:005 Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook it, because there was no grass.

014:006 And the wild asses did stand in the high places, they snuffed up the wind like dragons; their eyes did fail, because there was no grass.

014:007 O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.

014:008 O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night?

014:009 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, art in the midst of us, and we are

called by thy name; leave us not.

014:010 Thus saith the LORD unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doth not accept them; he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins.

014:011 Then said the LORD unto me, Pray not for this people for their good.

014:012 When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and an oblation, I will not accept them: but I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence.

014:013 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you assured peace in this place.

014:014 Then the LORD said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.

014:015 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land; By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed.

014:016 And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword; and they shall have none to bury them, them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them.

014:017 Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow.

014:018 If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest go about into a land that they know not.

014:019 Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? hath thy soul lothed Zion? why hast thou smitten us, and there is no healing for us? we looked for peace, and there is no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble!

014:020 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, and the iniquity of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee.

014:021 Do not abhor us, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember, break not thy covenant with us.

014:022 Are there any among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? art not thou he, O LORD our God? therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these things.

015:001 Then said the LORD unto me, Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, yet my mind could not be toward this people: cast them out of my sight, and let them go forth.

015:002 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee, Whither shall we go forth? then thou shalt tell them, Thus saith the LORD; Such as are for death, to death; and such as are for the sword, to the sword; and such as are for the famine, to the famine; and such as are for the captivity, to the captivity.

015:003 And I will appoint over them four kinds, saith the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs to tear, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy.

015:004 And I will cause them to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth, because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for that which he did in Jerusalem.

015:005 For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall bemoan thee? or who shall go aside to ask how thou doest?

015:006 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.

015:007 And I will fan them with a fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave them of children, I will destroy my people since they return not from their ways.

015:008 Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas: I have brought upon them against the mother of the young men a spoiler at noonday: I have caused him to fall upon it suddenly, and terrors upon the city.

015:009 She that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it was yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, saith the LORD.

015:010 Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; yet every one of them doth curse me.

015:011 The LORD said, Verily it shall be well with thy remnant; verily I will cause the enemy to entreat thee well in the time of evil and in the time of affliction.

015:012 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel?

015:013 Thy substance and thy treasures will I give to the spoil without price, and that for all thy sins, even in all thy borders.

015:014 And I will make thee to pass with thine enemies into a land which thou knowest not: for a fire is kindled in mine anger, which shall burn upon you.

015:015 O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that for thy sake I have suffered rebuke.

015:016 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

015:017 I sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of thy hand: for thou hast filled me with indignation.

015:018 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that fail?

015:019 Therefore thus saith the LORD, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt stand before me: and if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.

015:020 And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brasen wall: and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee: for I am with thee to save thee and to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

015:021 And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.

016:001 The word of the LORD came also unto me, saying,

016:002 Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.

016:003 For thus saith the LORD concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their fathers that begat them in this land;

016:004 They shall die of grievous deaths; they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be buried; but they shall be as dung upon the face of the earth: and they shall be consumed by the sword, and

by famine; and their carcasses shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

016:005 For thus saith the LORD, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them: for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith the LORD, even lovingkindness and mercies.

016:006 Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall men lament for them, nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them:

016:007 Neither shall men tear themselves for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall men give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their mother.

016:008 Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.

016:009 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.

016:010 And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they shall say unto thee, Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great evil against us? or what is our iniquity? or what is our sin that we have committed against the LORD our God?

016:011 Then shalt thou say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the LORD, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law;

016:012 And ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me:

016:013 Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not, neither ye nor your fathers; and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; where I will not shew you favour.

016:014 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

016:015 But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

016:016 Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.

016:017 For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

016:018 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable things.

016:019 O LORD, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.

016:020 Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods?

016:021 Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and they shall know that my name is The LORD.

017:001 The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron, and with the point of a diamond: it is graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars;

017:002 Whilst their children remember their altars and their groves by the green trees upon the high hills.

017:003 O my mountain in the field, I will give thy substance and all thy treasures to the spoil, and thy high places for sin, throughout all thy borders.

017:004 And thou, even thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for ye have kindled a fire in mine anger, which shall burn for ever.

017:005 Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

017:006 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

017:007 Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

017:008 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of

drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.

017:009 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked:
who can know it?

017:010 I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every
man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his
doings.

017:011 As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that
getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of
his days, and at his end shall be a fool.

017:012 A glorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our
sanctuary.

017:013 O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be
ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the
earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of
living waters.

017:014 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be
saved: for thou art my praise.

017:015 Behold, they say unto me, Where is the word of the LORD? let it
come now.

017:016 As for me, I have not hastened from being a pastor to follow thee:
neither have I desired the woeful day; thou knowest: that which
came out of my lips was right before thee.

017:017 Be not a terror unto me: thou art my hope in the day of evil.

017:018 Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be
confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed:
bring upon them the day of evil, and destroy them with double
destruction.

017:019 Thus said the LORD unto me; Go and stand in the gate of the
children of the people, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and
by the which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem;

017:020 And say unto them, Hear ye the word of the LORD, ye kings of
Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that
enter in by these gates:

017:021 Thus saith the LORD; Take heed to yourselves, and bear no
burden on the sabbath day, nor bring it in by the gates of
Jerusalem;

017:022 Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath
day, neither do ye any work, but hallow ye the sabbath day, as I
commanded your fathers.

017:023 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck

stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.

017:024 And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do no work therein;

017:025 Then shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for ever.

017:026 And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places about Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from the plain, and from the mountains, and from the south, bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and meat offerings, and incense, and bringing sacrifices of praise, unto the house of the LORD.

017:027 But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day; then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.

018:001 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

018:002 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

018:003 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.

018:004 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

018:005 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

018:006 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.

018:007 At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it;

018:008 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them.

018:009 And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it;

018:010 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

018:011 Now therefore go to, speak to the men of Judah, and to the

inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you: return ye now every one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good.

018:012 And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart.

018:013 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ask ye now among the heathen, who hath heard such things: the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing.

018:014 Will a man leave the snow of Lebanon which cometh from the rock of the field? or shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

018:015 Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways from the ancient paths, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up;

018:016 To make their land desolate, and a perpetual hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.

018:017 I will scatter them as with an east wind before the enemy; I will shew them the back, and not the face, in the day of their calamity.

018:018 Then said they, Come and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words.

018:019 Give heed to me, O LORD, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me.

018:020 Shall evil be recompensed for good? for they have digged a pit for my soul. Remember that I stood before thee to speak good for them, and to turn away thy wrath from them.

018:021 Therefore deliver up their children to the famine, and pour out their blood by the force of the sword; and let their wives be bereaved of their children, and be widows; and let their men be put to death; let their young men be slain by the sword in battle.

018:022 Let a cry be heard from their houses, when thou shalt bring a troop suddenly upon them: for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet.

018:023 Yet, LORD, thou knowest all their counsel against me to slay me: forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from thy sight, but let them be overthrown before thee; deal thus with them in the time of thine anger.

019:001 Thus saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and

take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests;

019:002 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee,

019:003 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.

019:004 Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents;

019:005 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire for burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake it, neither came it into my mind:

019:006 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that this place shall no more be called Tophet, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of slaughter.

019:007 And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcasses will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

019:008 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.

019:009 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.

019:010 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,

019:011 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they shall bury them in Tophet, till there be no place to bury.

019:012 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet:

019:013 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of

Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.

019:014 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the LORD's house; and said to all the people,

019:015 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.

020:001 Now Pashur the son of Immer the priest, who was also chief governor in the house of the LORD, heard that Jeremiah prophesied these things.

020:002 Then Pashur smote Jeremiah the prophet, and put him in the stocks that were in the high gate of Benjamin, which was by the house of the LORD.

020:003 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Pashur brought forth Jeremiah out of the stocks. Then said Jeremiah unto him, The LORD hath not called thy name Pashur, but Magormissabib.

020:004 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all thy friends: and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold it: and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them captive into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.

020:005 Moreover I will deliver all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the hand of their enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to Babylon.

020:006 And thou, Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall go into captivity: and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shalt be buried there, thou, and all thy friends, to whom thou hast prophesied lies.

020:007 O LORD, thou hast deceived me, and I was deceived; thou art stronger than I, and hast prevailed: I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me.

020:008 For since I spake, I cried out, I cried violence and spoil; because the word of the LORD was made a reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.

020:009 Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay.

020:010 For I heard the defaming of many, fear on every side. Report, say they, and we will report it. All my familiars watched for my halting, saying, Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him.

020:011 But the LORD is with me as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: their everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.

020:012 But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, and seest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.

020:013 Sing unto the LORD, praise ye the LORD: for he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.

020:014 Cursed be the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.

020:015 Cursed be the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.

020:016 And let that man be as the cities which the LORD overthrew, and repented not: and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide;

020:017 Because he slew me not from the womb; or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb to be always great with me.

020:018 Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?

021:001 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Pashur the son of Melchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,

021:002 Enquire, I pray thee, of the LORD for us; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; if so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all his wondrous works, that he may go up from us.

021:003 Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:

021:004 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that are in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and against the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the midst of

this city.

021:005 And I myself will fight against you with an outstretched hand and with a strong arm, even in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath.

021:006 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

021:007 And afterward, saith the LORD, I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the people, and such as are left in this city from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of those that seek their life: and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; he shall not spare them, neither have pity, nor have mercy.

021:008 And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death.

021:009 He that abideth in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live, and his life shall be unto him for a prey.

021:010 For I have set my face against this city for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.

021:011 And touching the house of the king of Judah, say, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

021:012 O house of David, thus saith the LORD; Execute judgment in the morning, and deliver him that is spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings.

021:013 Behold, I am against thee, O inhabitant of the valley, and rock of the plain, saith the LORD; which say, Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations?

021:014 But I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.

022:001 Thus saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word,

022:002 And say, Hear the word of the LORD, O king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy people that enter in by these gates:

022:003 Thus saith the LORD; Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do

no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.

022:004 For if ye do this thing indeed, then shall there enter in by the gates of this house kings sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, he, and his servants, and his people.

022:005 But if ye will not hear these words, I swear by myself, saith the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

022:006 For thus saith the LORD unto the king's house of Judah; Thou art Gilead unto me, and the head of Lebanon: yet surely I will make thee a wilderness, and cities which are not inhabited.

022:007 And I will prepare destroyers against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall cut down thy choice cedars, and cast them into the fire.

022:008 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbour, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this great city?

022:009 Then they shall answer, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.

022:010 Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan him: but weep sore for him that goeth away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.

022:011 For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, which reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return thither any more:

022:012 But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more.

022:013 Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; that useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;

022:014 That saith, I will build me a wide house and large chambers, and cutteth him out windows; and it is cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.

022:015 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest thyself in cedar? did not thy father eat and drink, and do judgment and justice, and then it was well with him?

022:016 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then it was well with him: was not this to know me? saith the LORD.

022:017 But thine eyes and thine heart are not but for thy covetousness, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for

violence, to do it.

022:018 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah; They shall not lament for him, saying, Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! they shall not lament for him, saying, Ah lord! or, Ah his glory!

022:019 He shall be buried with the burial of an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

022:020 Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and cry from the passages: for all thy lovers are destroyed.

022:021 I spake unto thee in thy prosperity; but thou saidst, I will not hear. This hath been thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice.

022:022 The wind shall eat up all thy pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness.

022:023 O inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, how gracious shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail!

022:024 As I live, saith the LORD, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah were the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence;

022:025 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand of them whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.

022:026 And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee, into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.

022:027 But to the land whereunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return.

022:028 Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol? is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?

022:029 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.

022:030 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man that shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

023:001 Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD.

023:002 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them

away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.

023:003 And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase.

023:004 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.

023:005 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

023:006 In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

023:007 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

023:008 But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

023:009 Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of the LORD, and because of the words of his holiness.

023:010 For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and their force is not right.

023:011 For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in my house have I found their wickedness, saith the LORD.

023:012 Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

023:013 And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to err.

023:014 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness; they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

023:015 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets;

Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.

023:016 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the LORD.

023:017 They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you.

023:018 For who hath stood in the counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word? who hath marked his word, and heard it?

023:019 Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked.

023:020 The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.

023:021 I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.

023:022 But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

023:023 Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

023:024 Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

023:025 I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

023:026 How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

023:027 Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.

023:028 The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD.

023:029 Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?

023:030 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that steal my words every one from his neighbour.

023:031 Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith.

023:032 Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.

023:033 And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask thee, saying, What is the burden of the LORD? thou shalt then say unto them, What burden? I will even forsake you, saith the LORD.

023:034 And as for the prophet, and the priest, and the people, that shall say, The burden of the LORD, I will even punish that man and his house.

023:035 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath the LORD answered? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

023:036 And the burden of the LORD shall ye mention no more: for every man's word shall be his burden; for ye have perverted the words of the living God, of the LORD of hosts our God.

023:037 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the LORD answered thee? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

023:038 But since ye say, The burden of the LORD; therefore thus saith the LORD; Because ye say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent unto you, saying, Ye shall not say, The burden of the LORD;

023:039 Therefore, behold, I, even I, will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city that I gave you and your fathers, and cast you out of my presence:

023:040 And I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

024:001 The LORD shewed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs were set before the temple of the LORD, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.

024:002 One basket had very good figs, even like the figs that are first ripe: and the other basket had very naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.

024:003 Then said the LORD unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

024:004 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
024:005 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Like these good figs, so
will I acknowledge them that are carried away captive of Judah,
whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans
for their good.
024:006 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them
again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull them down;
and I will plant them, and not pluck them up.
024:007 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the LORD: and
they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall
return unto me with their whole heart.
024:008 And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely
thus saith the LORD, So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah,
and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this
land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:
024:009 And I will deliver them to be removed into all the kingdoms of the
earth for their hurt, to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a
curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.
024:010 And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among
them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto
them and to their fathers.
025:001 The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of
Judah in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of
Judah, that was the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon;
025:002 The which Jeremiah the prophet spake unto all the people of
Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,
025:003 From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah,
even unto this day, that is the three and twentieth year, the word
of the LORD hath come unto me, and I have spoken unto you,
rising early and speaking; but ye have not hearkened.
025:004 And the LORD hath sent unto you all his servants the prophets,
rising early and sending them; but ye have not hearkened, nor
inclined your ear to hear.
025:005 They said, Turn ye again now every one from his evil way, and
from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD
hath given unto you and to your fathers for ever and ever:
025:006 And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them,
and provoke me not to anger with the works of your hands; and I
will do you no hurt.
025:007 Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith the LORD; that ye might

provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.

025:008 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words,

025:009 Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.

025:010 Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle.

025:011 And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

025:012 And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.

025:013 And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, even all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations.

025:014 For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.

025:015 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

025:016 And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.

025:017 Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:

025:018 To wit, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as it is this day;

025:019 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;

025:020 And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod,

025:021 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,
025:022 And all the kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings
of the isles which are beyond the sea,
025:023 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that are in the utmost corners,
025:024 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people
that dwell in the desert,
025:025 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the
kings of the Medes,
025:026 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and
all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the
earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.
025:027 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall,
and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among
you.
025:028 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink,
then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ye
shall certainly drink.
025:029 For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name,
and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished:
for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith
the LORD of hosts.
025:030 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say
unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice
from his holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation;
he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the
inhabitants of the earth.
025:031 A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the LORD
hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he
will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.
025:032 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from
nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the
coasts of the earth.
025:033 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the
earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be
lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon
the ground.
025:034 Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes,
ye principal of the flock: for the days of your slaughter and of your
dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall fall like a pleasant

vessel.

- 025:035 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.
- 025:036 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, shall be heard: for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.
- 025:037 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.
- 025:038 He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion: for their land is desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of his fierce anger.
- 026:001 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word from the LORD, saying,
- 026:002 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD's house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD's house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:
- 026:003 If so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way, that I may repent me of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.
- 026:004 And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you,
- 026:005 To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending them, but ye have not hearkened;
- 026:006 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.
- 026:007 So the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.
- 026:008 Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded him to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, Thou shalt surely die.
- 026:009 Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant? And all the people were gathered against Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.
- 026:010 When the princes of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king's house unto the house of the LORD, and sat down in the entry of the new gate of the LORD's house.

026:011 Then spake the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people, saying, This man is worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears.

026:012 Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people, saying, The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that ye have heard.

026:013 Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.

026:014 As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me as seemeth good and meet unto you.

026:015 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears.

026:016 Then said the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets; This man is not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.

026:017 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all the assembly of the people, saying,

026:018 Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Zion shall be plowed like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.

026:019 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death? did he not fear the LORD, and besought the LORD, and the LORD repented him of the evil which he had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.

026:020 And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD, Urijah the son of Shemaiah of Kirjathjearim, who prophesied against this city and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah.

026:021 And when Jehoiakim the king, with all his mighty men, and all the princes, heard his words, the king sought to put him to death: but when Urijah heard it, he was afraid, and fled, and went into Egypt;

026:022 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and certain men with him into Egypt.

026:023 And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king; who slew him with the sword, and cast his

dead body into the graves of the common people.

026:024 Nevertheless the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.

027:001 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

027:002 Thus saith the LORD to me; Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy neck,

027:003 And send them to the king of Edom, and to the king of Moab, and to the king of the Ammonites, and to the king of Tyrus, and to the king of Zidon, by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;

027:004 And command them to say unto their masters, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters;

027:005 I have made the earth, the man and the beast that are upon the ground, by my great power and by my outstretched arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me.

027:006 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.

027:007 And all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, until the very time of his land come: and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.

027:008 And it shall come to pass, that the nation and kingdom which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, saith the LORD, with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

027:009 Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:

027:010 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.

027:011 But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain still in their own land, saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.

027:012 I spake also to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these

words, saying, Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.

027:013 Why will ye die, thou and thy people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

027:014 Therefore hearken not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.

027:015 For I have not sent them, saith the LORD, yet they prophesy a lie in my name; that I might drive you out, and that ye might perish, ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto you.

027:016 Also I spake to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the LORD's house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.

027:017 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city be laid waste?

027:018 But if they be prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them, let them now make intercession to the LORD of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.

027:019 For thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city.

027:020 Which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem;

027:021 Yea, thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain in the house of the LORD, and in the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;

027:022 They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, saith the LORD; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.

028:001 And it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, and in the fifth month, that Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, which was of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,

028:002 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I

have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.

028:003 Within two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of the LORD's house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon:

028:004 And I will bring again to this place Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, with all the captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD: for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.

028:005 Then the prophet Jeremiah said unto the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of all the people that stood in the house of the LORD,

028:006 Even the prophet Jeremiah said, Amen: the LORD do so: the LORD perform thy words which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels of the LORD's house, and all that is carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.

028:007 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people;

028:008 The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence.

028:009 The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him.

028:010 Then Hananiah the prophet took the yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.

028:011 And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years. And the prophet Jeremiah went his way.

028:012 Then the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the prophet, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

028:013 Go and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast broken the yokes of wood; but thou shalt make for them yokes of iron.

028:014 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also.

028:015 Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The LORD hath not sent thee; but thou makest this people to trust in a lie.

028:016 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will cast thee from off the face of the earth: this year thou shalt die, because thou hast taught rebellion against the LORD.

028:017 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

029:001 Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;

029:002 (After that Jeconiah the king, and the queen, and the eunuchs, the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, and the carpenters, and the smiths, were departed from Jerusalem;)

029:003 By the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan, and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, (whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent unto Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) saying,

029:004 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon;

029:005 Build ye houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;

029:006 Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.

029:007 And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

029:008 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Let not your prophets and your diviners, that be in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.

029:009 For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, saith the LORD.

029:010 For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

029:011 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

029:012 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.

029:013 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

029:014 And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

029:015 Because ye have said, The LORD hath raised us up prophets in Babylon;

029:016 Know that thus saith the LORD of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the people that dwelleth in this city, and of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity;

029:017 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will send upon them the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them like vile figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

029:018 And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them:

029:019 Because they have not hearkened to my words, saith the LORD, which I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; but ye would not hear, saith the LORD.

029:020 Hear ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captivity, whom I have sent from Jerusalem to Babylon:

029:021 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in my name; Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them before your eyes;

029:022 And of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captivity of Judah which are in Babylon, saying, The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire;

029:023 Because they have committed villany in Israel, and have committed adultery with their neighbours' wives, and have spoken lying words in my name, which I have not commanded them; even

I know, and am a witness, saith the LORD.

029:024 Thus shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the Nehelamite, saying,

029:025 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying,
Because thou hast sent letters in thy name unto all the people
that are at Jerusalem, and to Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the
priest, and to all the priests, saying,

029:026 The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of Jehoiada the
priest, that ye should be officers in the house of the LORD, for
every man that is mad, and maketh himself a prophet, that thou
shouldest put him in prison, and in the stocks.

029:027 Now therefore why hast thou not reprov'd Jeremiah of Anathoth,
which maketh himself a prophet to you?

029:028 For therefore he sent unto us in Babylon, saying, This captivity is
long: build ye houses, and dwell in them; and plant gardens, and
eat the fruit of them.

029:029 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah
the prophet.

029:030 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

029:031 Send to all them of the captivity, saying, Thus saith the LORD
concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite; Because that Shemaiah
hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you
to trust in a lie:

029:032 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the
Nehelamite, and his seed: he shall not have a man to dwell
among this people; neither shall he behold the good that I will do
for my people, saith the LORD; because he hath taught rebellion
against the LORD.

030:001 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

030:002 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the
words that I have spoken unto thee in a book.

030:003 For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the
captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will
cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and
they shall possess it.

030:004 And these are the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel
and concerning Judah.

030:005 For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of
fear, and not of peace.

030:006 Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child?
wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a

woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?

030:007 Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.

030:008 For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:

030:009 But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.

030:010 Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid.

030:011 For I am with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet I will not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.

030:012 For thus saith the LORD, Thy bruise is incurable, and thy wound is grievous.

030:013 There is none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up: thou hast no healing medicines.

030:014 All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine iniquity; because thy sins were increased.

030:015 Why criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow is incurable for the multitude of thine iniquity: because thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.

030:016 Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

030:017 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after.

030:018 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be builded upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.

030:019 And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them

- that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small.
- 030:020 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.
- 030:021 And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD.
- 030:022 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.
- 030:023 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.
- 030:024 The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return, until he hath done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it.
- 031:001 At the same time, saith the LORD, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.
- 031:002 Thus saith the LORD, The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.
- 031:003 The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.
- 031:004 Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.
- 031:005 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things.
- 031:006 For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.
- 031:007 For thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.
- 031:008 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.
- 031:009 They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead

them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

031:010 Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock.

031:011 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he.

031:012 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

031:013 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.

031:014 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, saith the LORD.

031:015 Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not.

031:016 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.

031:017 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.

031:018 I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou art the LORD my God.

031:019 Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.

031:020 Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my bowels are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.

031:021 Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, even the way which thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.

031:022 How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man.

031:023 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring again their captivity; The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness.

031:024 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they that go forth with flocks.

031:025 For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul.

031:026 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me.

031:027 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.

031:028 And it shall come to pass, that like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith the LORD.

031:029 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

031:030 But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

031:031 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

031:032 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

031:033 But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

031:034 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

031:035 Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and

the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name:

031:036 If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

031:037 Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD.

031:038 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the city shall be built to the LORD from the tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the corner.

031:039 And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb, and shall compass about to Goath.

031:040 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the fields unto the brook of Kidron, unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east, shall be holy unto the LORD; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more for ever.

032:001 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.

032:002 For then the king of Babylon's army besieged Jerusalem: and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the prison, which was in the king of Judah's house.

032:003 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;

032:004 And Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans, but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall behold his eyes;

032:005 And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall he be until I visit him, saith the LORD: though ye fight with the Chaldeans, ye shall not prosper.

032:006 And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

032:007 Behold, Hanameel the son of Shallum thine uncle shall come unto thee saying, Buy thee my field that is in Anathoth: for the right of redemption is thine to buy it.

032:008 So Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the

prison according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me, Buy my field, I pray thee, that is in Anathoth, which is in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance is thine, and the redemption is thine; buy it for thyself. Then I knew that this was the word of the LORD.

032:009 And I bought the field of Hanameel my uncle's son, that was in Anathoth, and weighed him the money, even seventeen shekels of silver.

032:010 And I subscribed the evidence, and sealed it, and took witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances.

032:011 So I took the evidence of the purchase, both that which was sealed according to the law and custom, and that which was open:

032:012 And I gave the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, in the sight of Hanameel mine uncle's son, and in the presence of the witnesses that subscribed the book of the purchase, before all the Jews that sat in the court of the prison.

032:013 And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

032:014 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Take these evidences, this evidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open; and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days.

032:015 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.

032:016 Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto the LORD, saying,

032:017 Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:

032:018 Thou shewest lovingkindness unto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them: the Great, the Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, is his name,

032:019 Great in counsel, and mighty in work: for thine eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:

032:020 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among other men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day;

032:021 And hast brought forth thy people Israel out of the land of Egypt

with signs, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with great terror;

032:022 And hast given them this land, which thou didst swear to their fathers to give them, a land flowing with milk and honey;

032:023 And they came in, and possessed it; but they obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in thy law; they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do: therefore thou hast caused all this evil to come upon them:

032:024 Behold the mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans, that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence: and what thou hast spoken is come to pass; and, behold, thou seest it.

032:025 And thou hast said unto me, O Lord GOD, Buy thee the field for money, and take witnesses; for the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.

032:026 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

032:027 Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?

032:028 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it:

032:029 And the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and set fire on this city, and burn it with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured out drink offerings unto other gods, to provoke me to anger.

032:030 For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have only done evil before me from their youth: for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work of their hands, saith the LORD.

032:031 For this city hath been to me as a provocation of mine anger and of my fury from the day that they built it even unto this day; that I should remove it from before my face,

032:032 Because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

032:033 And they have turned unto me the back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction.

032:034 But they set their abominations in the house, which is called by my name, to defile it.

032:035 And they built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.

032:036 And now therefore thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence;

032:037 Behold, I will gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in mine anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely:

032:038 And they shall be my people, and I will be their God:

032:039 And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them:

032:040 And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.

032:041 Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

032:042 For thus saith the LORD; Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will I bring upon them all the good that I have promised them.

032:043 And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say, It is desolate without man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.

032:044 Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal them, and take witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south: for I will cause their captivity to return, saith the LORD.

033:001 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

033:002 Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it; the LORD is his name;

- 033:003 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.
- 033:004 For thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are thrown down by the mounts, and by the sword;
- 033:005 They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but it is to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have slain in mine anger and in my fury, and for all whose wickedness I have hid my face from this city.
- 033:006 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.
- 033:007 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.
- 033:008 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.
- 033:009 And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.
- 033:010 Thus saith the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say shall be desolate without man and without beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast,
- 033:011 The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, Praise the LORD of hosts: for the LORD is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD.
- 033:012 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Again in this place, which is desolate without man and without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be an habitation of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down.
- 033:013 In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth them, saith the LORD.

033:014 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.

033:015 In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land.

033:016 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this is the name wherewith she shall be called, The LORD our righteousness.

033:017 For thus saith the LORD; David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel;

033:018 Neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and to do sacrifice continually.

033:019 And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying,

033:020 Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season;

033:021 Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers.

033:022 As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me.

033:023 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,

033:024 Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the LORD hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them.

033:025 Thus saith the LORD; If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;

033:026 Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.

034:001 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdoms of the earth of his dominion, and all the people, fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities thereof, saying,

034:002 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Go and speak to

Zedekiah king of Judah, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD;
Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon,
and he shall burn it with fire:

034:003 And thou shalt not escape out of his hand, but shalt surely be
taken, and delivered into his hand; and thine eyes shall behold
the eyes of the king of Babylon, and he shall speak with thee
mouth to mouth, and thou shalt go to Babylon.

034:004 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah king of Judah; Thus
saith the LORD of thee, Thou shalt not die by the sword:

034:005 But thou shalt die in peace: and with the burnings of thy fathers,
the former kings which were before thee, so shall they burn
odours for thee; and they will lament thee, saying, Ah lord! for I
have pronounced the word, saith the LORD.

034:006 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake all these words unto Zedekiah
king of Judah in Jerusalem,

034:007 When the king of Babylon's army fought against Jerusalem, and
against all the cities of Judah that were left, against Lachish, and
against Azekah: for these defenced cities remained of the cities of
Judah.

034:008 This is the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, after
that the king Zedekiah had made a covenant with all the people
which were at Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto them;

034:009 That every man should let his manservant, and every man his
maidservant, being an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free; that
none should serve himself of them, to wit, of a Jew his brother.

034:010 Now when all the princes, and all the people, which had entered
into the covenant, heard that every one should let his manservant,
and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve
themselves of them any more, then they obeyed, and let them go.

034:011 But afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the
handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought
them into subjection for servants and for handmaids.

034:012 Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the
LORD, saying,

034:013 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; I made a covenant with
your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of
Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

034:014 At the end of seven years let ye go every man his brother an
Hebrew, which hath been sold unto thee; and when he hath
served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee: but

your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.

034:015 And ye were now turned, and had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty every man to his neighbour; and ye had made a covenant before me in the house which is called by my name:

034:016 But ye turned and polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom he had set at liberty at their pleasure, to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.

034:017 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour: behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

034:018 And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof,

034:019 The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the people of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;

034:020 I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life: and their dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth.

034:021 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which are gone up from you.

034:022 Behold, I will command, saith the LORD, and cause them to return to this city; and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burn it with fire: and I will make the cities of Judah a desolation without an inhabitant.

035:001 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

035:002 Go unto the house of the Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the house of the LORD, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink.

035:003 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniyah, and his brethren, and all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites;

035:004 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan, the son of Igdaliah, a man of God, which was by the chamber of the princes, which was above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the door:

035:005 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites pots full of wine, and cups, and I said unto them, Drink ye wine.

035:006 But they said, We will drink no wine: for Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying, Ye shall drink no wine, neither ye, nor your sons for ever:

035:007 Neither shall ye build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have any: but all your days ye shall dwell in tents; that ye may live many days in the land where ye be strangers.

035:008 Thus have we obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;

035:009 Nor to build houses for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:

035:010 But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

035:011 But it came to pass, when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land, that we said, Come, and let us go to Jerusalem for fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and for fear of the army of the Syrians: so we dwell at Jerusalem.

035:012 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

035:013 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Go and tell the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to my words? saith the LORD.

035:014 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's commandment: notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye hearkened not unto me.

035:015 I have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me.

035:016 Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their father, which he commanded them; but

this people hath not hearkened unto me:

035:017 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them: because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them, but they have not answered.

035:018 And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Because ye have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:

035:019 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.

036:001 And it came to pass in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that this word came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

036:002 Take thee a roll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken unto thee against Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spake unto thee, from the days of Josiah, even unto this day.

036:003 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

036:004 Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah: and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the LORD, which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.

036:005 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut up; I cannot go into the house of the LORD:

036:006 Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth, the words of the LORD in the ears of the people in the LORD's house upon the fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.

036:007 It may be they will present their supplication before the LORD, and will return every one from his evil way: for great is the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced against this people.

036:008 And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading in the book the words of the LORD in the LORD's house.

036:009 And it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah

king of Judah, in the ninth month, that they proclaimed a fast before the LORD to all the people in Jerusalem, and to all the people that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem.

036:010 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of the LORD, in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the scribe, in the higher court, at the entry of the new gate of the LORD's house, in the ears of all the people.

036:011 When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out of the book all the words of the LORD,

036:012 Then he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the princes sat there, even Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes.

036:013 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.

036:014 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, unto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hand the roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came unto them.

036:015 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read it in their ears.

036:016 Now it came to pass, when they had heard all the words, they were afraid both one and other, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.

036:017 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How didst thou write all these words at his mouth?

036:018 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote them with ink in the book.

036:019 Then said the princes unto Baruch, Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah; and let no man know where ye be.

036:020 And they went in to the king into the court, but they laid up the roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe, and told all the words in the ears of the king.

036:021 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll: and he took it out of Elishama the scribe's chamber. And Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which stood beside the king.

036:022 Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and there

was a fire on the hearth burning before him.

036:023 And it came to pass, that when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with the penknife, and cast it into the fire that was on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that was on the hearth.

036:024 Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

036:025 Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

036:026 But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son of Hammelech, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet: but the LORD hid them.

036:027 Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

036:028 Take thee again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.

036:029 And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast burned this roll, saying, Why hast thou written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?

036:030 Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah; He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.

036:031 And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.

036:032 Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many like words.

037:001 And king Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made

king in the land of Judah.

037:002 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did hearken unto the words of the LORD, which he spake by the prophet Jeremiah.

037:003 And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, Pray now unto the LORD our God for us.

037:004 Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into prison.

037:005 Then Pharaoh's army was come forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they departed from Jerusalem.

037:006 Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah saying,

037:007 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, that sent you unto me to enquire of me; Behold, Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you, shall return to Egypt into their own land.

037:008 And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.

037:009 Thus saith the LORD; Deceive not yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart.

037:010 For though ye had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained but wounded men among them, yet should they rise up every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire.

037:011 And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was broken up from Jerusalem for fear of Pharaoh's army,

037:012 Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin, to separate himself thence in the midst of the people.

037:013 And when he was in the gate of Benjamin, a captain of the ward was there, whose name was Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet, saying, Thou fallest away to the Chaldeans.

037:014 Then said Jeremiah, It is false; I fall not away to the Chaldeans. But he hearkened not to him: so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.

037:015 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, and smote him, and put him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.

037:016 When Jeremiah was entered into the dungeon, and into the cabins, and Jeremiah had remained there many days;

037:017 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said, Is there any word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said he, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.

037:018 Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah, What have I offended against thee, or against thy servants, or against this people, that ye have put me in prison?

037:019 Where are now your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?

037:020 Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king: let my supplication, I pray thee, be accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there.

037:021 Then Zedekiah the king commanded that they should commit Jeremiah into the court of the prison, and that they should give him daily a piece of bread out of the bakers' street, until all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

038:001 Then Shephatiah the son of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and Jucal the son of Shelemiah, and Pashur the son of Malchiah, heard the words that Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people, saying,

038:002 Thus saith the LORD, He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth forth to the Chaldeans shall live; for he shall have his life for a prey, and shall live.

038:003 Thus saith the LORD, This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which shall take it.

038:004 Therefore the princes said unto the king, We beseech thee, let this man be put to death: for thus he weakeneth the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto them: for this man seeketh not the welfare of this people, but the hurt.

038:005 Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he is in your hand: for the king is not he that can do any thing against you.

038:006 Then took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the son of Hammelech, that was in the court of the

prison: and they let down Jeremiah with cords. And in the dungeon there was no water, but mire: so Jeremiah sunk in the mire.

038:007 Now when Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, one of the eunuchs which was in the king's house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon; the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin;

038:008 Ebedmelech went forth out of the king's house, and spake to the king saying,

038:009 My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they have done to Jeremiah the prophet, whom they have cast into the dungeon; and he is like to die for hunger in the place where he is: for there is no more bread in the city.

038:010 Then the king commanded Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from hence thirty men with thee, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the dungeon, before he die.

038:011 So Ebedmelech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took thence old cast clouts and old rotten rags, and let them down by cords into the dungeon to Jeremiah.

038:012 And Ebedmelech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah, Put now these old cast clouts and rotten rags under thine armholes under the cords. And Jeremiah did so.

038:013 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon: and Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

038:014 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet unto him into the third entry that is in the house of the LORD: and the king said unto Jeremiah, I will ask thee a thing; hide nothing from me.

038:015 Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, If I declare it unto thee, wilt thou not surely put me to death? and if I give thee counsel, wilt thou not hearken unto me?

038:016 So Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, As the LORD liveth, that made us this soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these men that seek thy life.

038:017 Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; If thou wilt assuredly go forth unto the king of Babylon's princes, then thy soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and thou shalt live, and thine house:

038:018 But if thou wilt not go forth to the king of Babylon's princes, then

shall this city be given into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and thou shalt not escape out of their hand.

038:019 And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me.

038:020 But Jeremiah said, They shall not deliver thee. Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the LORD, which I speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee, and thy soul shall live.

038:021 But if thou refuse to go forth, this is the word that the LORD hath shewed me:

038:022 And, behold, all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house shall be brought forth to the king of Babylon's princes, and those women shall say, Thy friends have set thee on, and have prevailed against thee: thy feet are sunk in the mire, and they are turned away back.

038:023 So they shall bring out all thy wives and thy children to the Chaldeans: and thou shalt not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire.

038:024 Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, Let no man know of these words, and thou shalt not die.

038:025 But if the princes hear that I have talked with thee, and they come unto thee, and say unto thee, Declare unto us now what thou hast said unto the king, hide it not from us, and we will not put thee to death; also what the king said unto thee:

038:026 Then thou shalt say unto them, I presented my supplication before the king, that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there.

038:027 Then came all the princes unto Jeremiah, and asked him: and he told them according to all these words that the king had commanded. So they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.

038:028 So Jeremiah abode in the court of the prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken: and he was there when Jerusalem was taken.

039:001 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.

039:002 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month, the city was broken up.

039:003 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, even Nergalsharezer, Samgarnebo, Sarsechim, Rabsaris, Nergalsharezer, Rabmag, with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.

039:004 And it came to pass, that when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls: and he went out the way of the plain.

039:005 But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him.

039:006 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

039:007 Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon.

039:008 And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.

039:009 Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive into Babylon the remnant of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.

039:010 But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left of the poor of the people, which had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time.

039:011 Now Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, saying,

039:012 Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee.

039:013 So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushasban, Rabsaris, and Nergalsharezer, Rabmag, and all the king of Babylon's princes;

039:014 Even they sent, and took Jeremiah out of the court of the prison, and committed him unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home: so he dwelt among the people.

039:015 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

039:016 Go and speak to Ebedmelech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus saith

the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring my words upon this city for evil, and not for good; and they shall be accomplished in that day before thee.

039:017 But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the LORD: and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou art afraid.

039:018 For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee: because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD.

040:001 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, after that Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in chains among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were carried away captive unto Babylon.

040:002 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him, The LORD thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place.

040:003 Now the LORD hath brought it, and done according as he hath said: because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed his voice, therefore this thing is come upon you.

040:004 And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chains which were upon thine hand. If it seem good unto thee to come with me into Babylon, come; and I will look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, all the land is before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go.

040:005 Now while he was not yet gone back, he said, Go back also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon hath made governor over the cities of Judah, and dwell with him among the people: or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee to go. So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go.

040:006 Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land.

040:007 Now when all the captains of the forces which were in the fields, even they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam governor in the land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of the poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;

040:008 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kareah, and

Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite, and Jezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

040:009 And Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan sware unto them and to their men, saying, Fear not to serve the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you.

040:010 As for me, behold, I will dwell at Mizpah, to serve the Chaldeans, which will come unto us: but ye, gather ye wine, and summer fruits, and oil, and put them in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that ye have taken.

040:011 Likewise when all the Jews that were in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that were in all the countries, heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah, and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan;

040:012 Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, unto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much.

040:013 Moreover Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah,

040:014 And said unto him, Dost thou certainly know that Baalis the king of the Ammonites hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to slay thee? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not.

040:015 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly saying, Let me go, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it: wherefore should he slay thee, that all the Jews which are gathered unto thee should be scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?

040:016 But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah, Thou shalt not do this thing: for thou speakest falsely of Ishmael.

041:001 Now it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, even ten men with him, came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in Mizpah.

041:002 Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and smote Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon

had made governor over the land.

041:003 Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, even with Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, and the men of war.

041:004 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew it,

041:005 That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, even fourscore men, having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves, with offerings and incense in their hand, to bring them to the house of the LORD.

041:006 And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

041:007 And it was so, when they came into the midst of the city, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, and cast them into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that were with him.

041:008 But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael, Slay us not: for we have treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey. So he forbore, and slew them not among their brethren.

041:009 Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had slain because of Gedaliah, was it which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with them that were slain.

041:010 Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that were in Mizpah, even the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive, and departed to go over to the Ammonites.

041:011 But when Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, heard of all the evil that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done,

041:012 Then they took all the men, and went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and found him by the great waters that are in Gibeon.

041:013 Now it came to pass, that when all the people which were with Ishmael saw Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, then they were glad.

041:014 So all the people that Ishmael had carried away captive from Mizpah cast about and returned, and went unto Johanan the son of Kareah.

041:015 But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites.

041:016 Then took Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were with him, all the remnant of the people whom he had recovered from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after that he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, even mighty men of war, and the women, and the children, and the eunuchs, whom he had brought again from Gibeon:

041:017 And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of Chimham, which is by Bethlehem, to go to enter into Egypt,

041:018 Because of the Chaldeans: for they were afraid of them, because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

042:001 Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, came near,

042:002 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God, even for all this remnant; (for we are left but a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)

042:003 That the LORD thy God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.

042:004 Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them, I have heard you; behold, I will pray unto the LORD your God according to your words; and it shall come to pass, that whatsoever thing the LORD shall answer you, I will declare it unto you; I will keep nothing back from you.

042:005 Then they said to Jeremiah, The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us, if we do not even according to all things for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us.

042:006 Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.

042:007 And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

042:008 Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces which were with him, and all the people from the least

even to the greatest,

042:009 And said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him;

042:010 If ye will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull you down, and I will plant you, and not pluck you up: for I repent me of the evil that I have done unto you.

042:011 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid; be not afraid of him, saith the LORD: for I am with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand.

042:012 And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.

042:013 But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the LORD your God,

042:014 Saying, No; but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there will we dwell:

042:015 And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; If ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;

042:016 Then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which ye feared, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye were afraid, shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.

042:017 So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: and none of them shall remain or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.

042:018 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As mine anger and my fury hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.

042:019 The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah; Go ye not into Egypt: know certainly that I have admonished you this day.

042:020 For ye dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent me unto the LORD your God, saying, Pray for us unto the LORD our God; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do it.

042:021 And now I have this day declared it to you; but ye have not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God, nor any thing for the which he hath sent me unto you.

042:022 Now therefore know certainly that ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire to go and to sojourn.

043:001 And it came to pass, that when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto all the people all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him to them, even all these words,

043:002 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the proud men, saying unto Jeremiah, Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:

043:003 But Baruch the son of Neriah setteth thee on against us, for to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans, that they might put us to death, and carry us away captives into Babylon.

043:004 So Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, and all the people, obeyed not the voice of the LORD, to dwell in the land of Judah.

043:005 But Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took all the remnant of Judah, that were returned from all nations, whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah;

043:006 Even men, and women, and children, and the king's daughters, and every person that Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah.

043:007 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: thus came they even to Tahpanhes.

043:008 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes, saying,

043:009 Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the clay in the brickkiln, which is at the entry of Pharaoh's house in Tahpanhes, in the sight of the men of Judah;

043:010 And say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will send and take Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.

043:011 And when he cometh, he shall smite the land of Egypt, and deliver such as are for death to death; and such as are for captivity to

captivity; and such as are for the sword to the sword.

043:012 And I will kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of Egypt; and he shall burn them, and carry them away captives: and he shall array himself with the land of Egypt, as a shepherd putteth on his garment; and he shall go forth from thence in peace.

043:013 He shall break also the images of Bethshemesh, that is in the land of Egypt; and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.

044:001 The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews which dwell in the land of Egypt, which dwell at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the country of Pathros, saying,

044:002 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Ye have seen all the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, and upon all the cities of Judah; and, behold, this day they are a desolation, and no man dwelleth therein,

044:003 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that they went to burn incense, and to serve other gods, whom they knew not, neither they, ye, nor your fathers.

044:004 Howbeit I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, rising early and sending them, saying, Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate.

044:005 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

044:006 Wherefore my fury and mine anger was poured forth, and was kindled in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; and they are wasted and desolate, as at this day.

044:007 Therefore now thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; Wherefore commit ye this great evil against your souls, to cut off from you man and woman, child and suckling, out of Judah, to leave you none to remain;

044:008 In that ye provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that ye might cut yourselves off, and that ye might be a curse and a reproach among all the nations of the earth?

044:009 Have ye forgotten the wickedness of your fathers, and the wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the wickedness of their wives, and your own wickedness, and the wickedness of your wives, which they have committed in the land of Judah, and in the

streets of Jerusalem?

044:010 They are not humbled even unto this day, neither have they feared, nor walked in my law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.

044:011 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will set my face against you for evil, and to cut off all Judah.

044:012 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, and fall in the land of Egypt; they shall even be consumed by the sword and by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.

044:013 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

044:014 So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or remain, that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which they have a desire to return to dwell there: for none shall return but such as shall escape.

044:015 Then all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,

044:016 As for the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee.

044:017 But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem: for then had we plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil.

044:018 But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, we have wanted all things, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine.

044:019 And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our men?

044:020 Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the

women, and to all the people which had given him that answer, saying,

- 044:021 The incense that ye burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the people of the land, did not the LORD remember them, and came it not into his mind?
- 044:022 So that the LORD could no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, and because of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.
- 044:023 Because ye have burned incense, and because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD, nor walked in his law, nor in his statutes, nor in his testimonies; therefore this evil is happened unto you, as at this day.
- 044:024 Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of the LORD, all Judah that are in the land of Egypt:
- 044:025 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying; Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.
- 044:026 Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD liveth.
- 044:027 Behold, I will watch over them for evil, and not for good: and all the men of Judah that are in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.
- 044:028 Yet a small number that escape the sword shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose words shall stand, mine, or their's.
- 044:029 And this shall be a sign unto you, saith the LORD, that I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall surely stand against you for evil:
- 044:030 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give Pharaohhophra king of Egypt into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that

seek his life; as I gave Zedekiah king of Judah into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought his life.

045:001 The word that Jeremiah the prophet spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he had written these words in a book at the mouth of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

045:002 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch:

045:003 Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

045:004 Thus shalt thou say unto him, The LORD saith thus; Behold, that which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land.

045:005 And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not: for, behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, saith the LORD: but thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places whither thou goest.

046:001 The word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Gentiles;

046:002 Against Egypt, against the army of Pharaohnecho king of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah.

046:003 Order ye the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle.

046:004 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with your helmets; furbish the spears, and put on the brigandines.

046:005 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed and turned away back? and their mighty ones are beaten down, and are fled apace, and look not back: for fear was round about, saith the LORD.

046:006 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; they shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.

046:007 Who is this that cometh up as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?

046:008 Egypt riseth up like a flood, and his waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, and will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

046:009 Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; the Ethiopians and the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, that handle and bend the bow.

046:010 For this is the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall

devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

046:011 Go up into Gilead, and take balm, O virgin, the daughter of Egypt: in vain shalt thou use many medicines; for thou shalt not be cured.

046:012 The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty man hath stumbled against the mighty, and they are fallen both together.

046:013 The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come and smite the land of Egypt.

046:014 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph and in Tahpanhes: say ye, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee.

046:015 Why are thy valiant men swept away? they stood not, because the LORD did drive them.

046:016 He made many to fall, yea, one fell upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword.

046:017 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt is but a noise; he hath passed the time appointed.

046:018 As I live, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts, Surely as Tabor is among the mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, so shall he come.

046:019 O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, furnish thyself to go into captivity: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.

046:020 Egypt is like a very fair heifer, but destruction cometh; it cometh out of the north.

046:021 Also her hired men are in the midst of her like fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, and are fled away together: they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come upon them, and the time of their visitation.

046:022 The voice thereof shall go like a serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood.

046:023 They shall cut down her forest, saith the LORD, though it cannot be searched; because they are more than the grasshoppers, and are innumerable.

046:024 The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered

into the hand of the people of the north.

046:025 The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saith; Behold, I will punish the multitude of No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods, and their kings; even Pharaoh, and all them that trust in him:

046:026 And I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their lives, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.

046:027 But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make him afraid.

046:028 Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I am with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.

047:001 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Philistines, before that Pharaoh smote Gaza.

047:002 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and all that is therein; the city, and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.

047:003 At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong horses, at the rushing of his chariots, and at the rumbling of his wheels, the fathers shall not look back to their children for feebleness of hands;

047:004 Because of the day that cometh to spoil all the Philistines, and to cut off from Tyrus and Zidon every helper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of the country of Caphtor.

047:005 Baldness is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is cut off with the remnant of their valley: how long wilt thou cut thyself?

047:006 O thou sword of the LORD, how long will it be ere thou be quiet? put up thyself into thy scabbard, rest, and be still.

047:007 How can it be quiet, seeing the LORD hath given it a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea shore? there hath he appointed it.

048:001 Against Moab thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Woe unto Nebo! for it is spoiled: Kiriathaim is confounded and taken: Misgab is confounded and dismayed.

048:002 There shall be no more praise of Moab: in Heshbon they have devised evil against it; come, and let us cut it off from being a nation. Also thou shalt be cut down, O Madmen; the sword shall pursue thee.

048:003 A voice of crying shall be from Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.

048:004 Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard.

048:005 For in the going up of Luhith continual weeping shall go up; for in the going down of Horonaim the enemies have heard a cry of destruction.

048:006 Flee, save your lives, and be like the heath in the wilderness.

048:007 For because thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy treasures, thou shalt also be taken: and Chemosh shall go forth into captivity with his priests and his princes together.

048:008 And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed, as the LORD hath spoken.

048:009 Give wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities thereof shall be desolate, without any to dwell therein.

048:010 Cursed be he that doeth the work of the LORD deceitfully, and cursed be he that keepeth back his sword from blood.

048:011 Moab hath been at ease from his youth, and he hath settled on his lees, and hath not been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither hath he gone into captivity: therefore his taste remained in him, and his scent is not changed.

048:012 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will send unto him wanderers, that shall cause him to wander, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles.

048:013 And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Bethel their confidence.

048:014 How say ye, We are mighty and strong men for the war?

048:015 Moab is spoiled, and gone up out of her cities, and his chosen young men are gone down to the slaughter, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts.

048:016 The calamity of Moab is near to come, and his affliction hasteth fast.

048:017 All ye that are about him, bemoan him; and all ye that know his name, say, How is the strong staff broken, and the beautiful rod!

048:018 Thou daughter that dost inhabit Dibon, come down from thy glory, and sit in thirst; for the spoiler of Moab shall come upon thee, and

he shall destroy thy strong holds.

048:019 O inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and her that escapeth, and say, What is done?

048:020 Moab is confounded; for it is broken down: howl and cry; tell ye it in Arnon, that Moab is spoiled,

048:021 And judgment is come upon the plain country; upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and upon Mephaath,

048:022 And upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Bethdiblathaim,

048:023 And upon Kiriathaim, and upon Bethgamul, and upon Bethmeon,

048:024 And upon Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near.

048:025 The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the LORD.

048:026 Make ye him drunken: for he magnified himself against the LORD: Moab also shall wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision.

048:027 For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among thieves? for since thou spakest of him, thou skippedst for joy.

048:028 O ye that dwell in Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rock, and be like the dove that maketh her nest in the sides of the hole's mouth.

048:029 We have heard the pride of Moab, (he is exceeding proud) his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart.

048:030 I know his wrath, saith the LORD; but it shall not be so; his lies shall not so effect it.

048:031 Therefore will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab; mine heart shall mourn for the men of Kirheres.

048:032 O vine of Sibmah, I will weep for thee with the weeping of Jazer: thy plants are gone over the sea, they reach even to the sea of Jazer: the spoiler is fallen upon thy summer fruits and upon thy vintage.

048:033 And joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from the land of Moab, and I have caused wine to fail from the winepresses: none shall tread with shouting; their shouting shall be no shouting.

048:034 From the cry of Heshbon even unto Elealeh, and even unto Jahaz, have they uttered their voice, from Zoar even unto Horonaim, as an heifer of three years old: for the waters also of Nimrim shall be desolate.

048:035 Moreover I will cause to cease in Moab, saith the LORD, him that offereth in the high places, and him that burneth incense to his gods.

048:036 Therefore mine heart shall sound for Moab like pipes, and mine heart shall sound like pipes for the men of Kirheres: because the riches that he hath gotten are perished.

048:037 For every head shall be bald, and every beard clipped: upon all the hands shall be cuttings, and upon the loins sackcloth.

048:038 There shall be lamentation generally upon all the housetops of Moab, and in the streets thereof: for I have broken Moab like a vessel wherein is no pleasure, saith the LORD.

048:039 They shall howl, saying, How is it broken down! how hath Moab turned the back with shame! so shall Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him.

048:040 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and shall spread his wings over Moab.

048:041 Kerioth is taken, and the strong holds are surprised, and the mighty men's hearts in Moab at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

048:042 And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath magnified himself against the LORD.

048:043 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, shall be upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, saith the LORD.

048:044 He that fleeth from the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that getteth up out of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for I will bring upon it, even upon Moab, the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

048:045 They that fled stood under the shadow of Heshbon because of the force: but a fire shall come forth out of Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and shall devour the corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the tumultuous ones.

048:046 Woe be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sons are taken captives, and thy daughters captives.

048:047 Yet will I bring again the captivity of Moab in the latter days, saith the LORD. Thus far is the judgment of Moab.

049:001 Concerning the Ammonites, thus saith the LORD; Hath Israel no sons? hath he no heir? why then doth their king inherit Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?

049:002 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard in Rabbah of the Ammonites;

and it shall be a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, saith the LORD.

049:003 Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoiled: cry, ye daughters of Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth; lament, and run to and fro by the hedges; for their king shall go into captivity, and his priests and his princes together.

049:004 Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, thy flowing valley, O backsliding daughter? that trusted in her treasures, saying, Who shall come unto me?

049:005 Behold, I will bring a fear upon thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts, from all those that be about thee; and ye shall be driven out every man right forth; and none shall gather up him that wandereth.

049:006 And afterward I will bring again the captivity of the children of Ammon, saith the LORD.

049:007 Concerning Edom, thus saith the LORD of hosts; Is wisdom no more in Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished?

049:008 Flee ye, turn back, dwell deep, O inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time that I will visit him.

049:009 If grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave some gleaning grapes? if thieves by night, they will destroy till they have enough.

049:010 But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able to hide himself: his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours, and he is not.

049:011 Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive; and let thy widows trust in me.

049:012 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, they whose judgment was not to drink of the cup have assuredly drunken; and art thou he that shall altogether go unpunished? thou shalt not go unpunished, but thou shalt surely drink of it.

049:013 For I have sworn by myself, saith the LORD, that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual wastes.

049:014 I have heard a rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent unto the heathen, saying, Gather ye together, and come against her, and rise up to the battle.

049:015 For, lo, I will make thee small among the heathen, and despised among men.

049:016 Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, and the pride of thine heart,
O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, that holdest the
height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy nest as high as
the eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD.

049:017 Also Edom shall be a desolation: every one that goeth by it shall
be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.

049:018 As in the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour
cities thereof, saith the LORD, no man shall abide there, neither
shall a son of man dwell in it.

049:019 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan
against the habitation of the strong: but I will suddenly make him
run away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I may appoint
over her? for who is like me? and who will appoint me the time?
and who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

049:020 Therefore hear the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken
against Edom; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against
the inhabitants of Teman: Surely the least of the flock shall draw
them out: surely he shall make their habitations desolate with
them.

049:021 The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the cry the noise
thereof was heard in the Red sea.

049:022 Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread his
wings over Bozrah: and at that day shall the heart of the mighty
men of Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

049:023 Concerning Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad: for
they have heard evil tidings: they are fainthearted; there is sorrow
on the sea; it cannot be quiet.

049:024 Damascus is waxed feeble, and turneth herself to flee, and fear
hath seized on her: anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a
woman in travail.

049:025 How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy!

049:026 Therefore her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the men
of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD of hosts.

049:027 And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall
consume the palaces of Benhadad.

049:028 Concerning Kedar, and concerning the kingdoms of Hazor, which
Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon shall smite, thus saith the
LORD; Arise ye, go up to Kedar, and spoil the men of the east.

049:029 Their tents and their flocks shall they take away: they shall take to
themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels;

and they shall cry unto them, Fear is on every side.

049:030 Flee, get you far off, dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, saith the LORD; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath taken counsel against you, and hath conceived a purpose against you.

049:031 Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, that dwelleth without care, saith the LORD, which have neither gates nor bars, which dwell alone.

049:032 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will scatter into all winds them that are in the utmost corners; and I will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, saith the LORD.

049:033 And Hazor shall be a dwelling for dragons, and a desolation for ever: there shall no man abide there, nor any son of man dwell in it.

049:034 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against Elam in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

049:035 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.

049:036 And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of Elam shall not come.

049:037 For I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek their life: and I will bring evil upon them, even my fierce anger, saith the LORD; and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them:

049:038 And I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, saith the LORD.

049:039 But it shall come to pass in the latter days, that I will bring again the captivity of Elam, saith the LORD.

050:001 The word that the LORD spake against Babylon and against the land of the Chaldeans by Jeremiah the prophet.

050:002 Declare ye among the nations, and publish, and set up a standard; publish, and conceal not: say, Babylon is taken, Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken in pieces; her idols are confounded, her images are broken in pieces.

050:003 For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast.

050:004 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of

- Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together, going and weeping: they shall go, and seek the LORD their God.
- 050:005 They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten.
- 050:006 My people hath been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace.
- 050:007 All that found them have devoured them: and their adversaries said, We offend not, because they have sinned against the LORD, the habitation of justice, even the LORD, the hope of their fathers.
- 050:008 Remove out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he goats before the flocks.
- 050:009 For, lo, I will raise and cause to come up against Babylon an assembly of great nations from the north country: and they shall set themselves in array against her; from thence she shall be taken: their arrows shall be as of a mighty expert man; none shall return in vain.
- 050:010 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.
- 050:011 Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls;
- 050:012 Your mother shall be sore confounded; she that bare you shall be ashamed: behold, the hindermost of the nations shall be a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.
- 050:013 Because of the wrath of the LORD it shall not be inhabited, but it shall be wholly desolate: every one that goeth by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.
- 050:014 Put yourselves in array against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her, spare no arrows: for she hath sinned against the LORD.
- 050:015 Shout against her round about: she hath given her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down: for it is the vengeance of the LORD: take vengeance upon her; as she hath done, do unto her.
- 050:016 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn every one to his people, and they shall flee every one to his

own land.

050:017 Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven him away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.

050:018 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria.

050:019 And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.

050:020 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve.

050:021 Go up against the land of Merathaim, even against it, and against the inhabitants of Pekod: waste and utterly destroy after them, saith the LORD, and do according to all that I have commanded thee.

050:022 A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction.

050:023 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!

050:024 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striven against the LORD.

050:025 The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath brought forth the weapons of his indignation: for this is the work of the Lord GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.

050:026 Come against her from the utmost border, open her storehouses: cast her up as heaps, and destroy her utterly: let nothing of her be left.

050:027 Slay all her bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.

050:028 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.

050:029 Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; let none thereof escape: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her: for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel.

050:030 Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets, and all her men of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD.

050:031 Behold, I am against thee, O thou most proud, saith the Lord GOD of hosts: for thy day is come, the time that I will visit thee.

050:032 And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him.

050:033 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The children of Israel and the children of Judah were oppressed together: and all that took them captives held them fast; they refused to let them go.

050:034 Their Redeemer is strong; the LORD of hosts is his name: he shall thoroughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the land, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

050:035 A sword is upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes, and upon her wise men.

050:036 A sword is upon the liars; and they shall dote: a sword is upon her mighty men; and they shall be dismayed.

050:037 A sword is upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all the mingled people that are in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: a sword is upon her treasures; and they shall be robbed.

050:038 A drought is upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it is the land of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols.

050:039 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell there, and the owls shall dwell therein: and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.

050:040 As God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour cities thereof, saith the LORD; so shall no man abide there, neither shall any son of man dwell therein.

050:041 Behold, a people shall come from the north, and a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

050:042 They shall hold the bow and the lance: they are cruel, and will not shew mercy: their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, every one put in array, like a man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of Babylon.

050:043 The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail.

050:044 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I may appoint over her? for who is like me? and who will appoint me the time? and who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

050:045 Therefore hear ye the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Babylon; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the land of the Chaldeans: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make their habitation desolate with them.

050:046 At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among the nations.

051:001 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that dwell in the midst of them that rise up against me, a destroying wind;

051:002 And will send unto Babylon fanners, that shall fan her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.

051:003 Against him that bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against him that lifteth himself up in his brigandine: and spare ye not her young men; destroy ye utterly all her host.

051:004 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and they that are thrust through in her streets.

051:005 For Israel hath not been forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the LORD of hosts; though their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel.

051:006 Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this is the time of the LORD's vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence.

051:007 Babylon hath been a golden cup in the LORD's hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad.

051:008 Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

051:009 We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let us go every one into his own country: for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up even to the skies.

051:010 The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.

051:011 Make bright the arrows; gather the shields: the LORD hath raised

up the spirit of the kings of the Medes: for his device is against Babylon, to destroy it; because it is the vengeance of the LORD, the vengeance of his temple.

051:012 Set up the standard upon the walls of Babylon, make the watch strong, set up the watchmen, prepare the ambushes: for the LORD hath both devised and done that which he spake against the inhabitants of Babylon.

051:013 O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

051:014 The LORD of hosts hath sworn by himself, saying, Surely I will fill thee with men, as with caterpillers; and they shall lift up a shout against thee.

051:015 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heaven by his understanding.

051:016 When he uttereth his voice, there is a multitude of waters in the heavens; and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.

051:017 Every man is brutish by his knowledge; every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them.

051:018 They are vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

051:019 The portion of Jacob is not like them; for he is the former of all things: and Israel is the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hosts is his name.

051:020 Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war: for with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms;

051:021 And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider;

051:022 With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman; and with thee will I break in pieces old and young; and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;

051:023 I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock; and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen; and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers.

051:024 And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the LORD.

- 051:025 Behold, I am against thee, O destroying mountain, saith the LORD, which destroyest all the earth: and I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks, and will make thee a burnt mountain.
- 051:026 And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations; but thou shalt be desolate for ever, saith the LORD.
- 051:027 Set ye up a standard in the land, blow the trumpet among the nations, prepare the nations against her, call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillers.
- 051:028 Prepare against her the nations with the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.
- 051:029 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every purpose of the LORD shall be performed against Babylon, to make the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant.
- 051:030 The mighty men of Babylon have forborn to fight, they have remained in their holds: their might hath failed; they became as women: they have burned her dwellingplaces; her bars are broken.
- 051:031 One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the king of Babylon that his city is taken at one end,
- 051:032 And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted.
- 051:033 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; The daughter of Babylon is like a threshingfloor, it is time to thresh her: yet a little while, and the time of her harvest shall come.
- 051:034 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me, he hath crushed me, he hath made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my delicates, he hath cast me out.
- 051:035 The violence done to me and to my flesh be upon Babylon, shall the inhabitant of Zion say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.
- 051:036 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for thee; and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.
- 051:037 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, an

astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant.

051:038 They shall roar together like lions: they shall yell as lions' whelps.

051:039 In their heat I will make their feasts, and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the LORD.

051:040 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.

051:041 How is Sheshach taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised! how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations!

051:042 The sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.

051:043 Her cities are a desolation, a dry land, and a wilderness, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither doth any son of man pass thereby.

051:044 And I will punish Bel in Babylon, and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up: and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him: yea, the wall of Babylon shall fall.

051:045 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.

051:046 And lest your heart faint, and ye fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a rumour shall both come one year, and after that in another year shall come a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.

051:047 Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will do judgment upon the graven images of Babylon: and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.

051:048 Then the heaven and the earth, and all that is therein, shall sing for Babylon: for the spoilers shall come unto her from the north, saith the LORD.

051:049 As Babylon hath caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the slain of all the earth.

051:050 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.

051:051 We are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the LORD's house.

051:052 Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do

judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.

051:053 Though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, yet from me shall spoilers come unto her, saith the LORD.

051:054 A sound of a cry cometh from Babylon, and great destruction from the land of the Chaldeans:

051:055 Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:

051:056 Because the spoiler is come upon her, even upon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken, every one of their bows is broken: for the LORD God of recompences shall surely requite.

051:057 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise men, her captains, and her rulers, and her mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts.

051:058 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The broad walls of Babylon shall be utterly broken, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and the people shall labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall be weary.

051:059 The word which Jeremiah the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the king of Judah into Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. And this Seraiah was a quiet prince.

051:060 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, even all these words that are written against Babylon.

051:061 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see, and shalt read all these words;

051:062 Then shalt thou say, O LORD, thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off, that none shall remain in it, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be desolate for ever.

051:063 And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, that thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates:

051:064 And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far are the words of Jeremiah.

052:001 Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name

was Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

052:002 And he did that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

052:003 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, till he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

052:004 And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.

052:005 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

052:006 And in the fourth month, in the ninth day of the month, the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land.

052:007 Then the city was broken up, and all the men of war fled, and went forth out of the city by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which was by the king's garden; (now the Chaldeans were by the city round about:) and they went by the way of the plain.

052:008 But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him.

052:009 Then they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath; where he gave judgment upon him.

052:010 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah.

052:011 Then he put out the eyes of Zedekiah; and the king of Babylon bound him in chains, and carried him to Babylon, and put him in prison till the day of his death.

052:012 Now in the fifth month, in the tenth day of the month, which was the nineteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzaradan, captain of the guard, which served the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem,

052:013 And burned the house of the LORD, and the king's house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, and all the houses of the great men, burned he with fire:

052:014 And all the army of the Chaldeans, that were with the captain of the guard, brake down all the walls of Jerusalem round about.

052:015 Then Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive

certain of the poor of the people, and the residue of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the multitude.

052:016 But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left certain of the poor of the land for vinedressers and for husbandmen.

052:017 Also the pillars of brass that were in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that was in the house of the LORD, the Chaldeans brake, and carried all the brass of them to Babylon.

052:018 The caldrons also, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the bowls, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.

052:019 And the basons, and the firepans, and the bowls, and the caldrons, and the candlesticks, and the spoons, and the cups; that which was of gold in gold, and that which was of silver in silver, took the captain of the guard away.

052:020 The two pillars, one sea, and twelve brasen bulls that were under the bases, which king Solomon had made in the house of the LORD: the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

052:021 And concerning the pillars, the height of one pillar was eighteen cubits; and a fillet of twelve cubits did compass it; and the thickness thereof was four fingers: it was hollow.

052:022 And a chapter of brass was upon it; and the height of one chapter was five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the chapters round about, all of brass. The second pillar also and the pomegranates were like unto these.

052:023 And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side; and all the pomegranates upon the network were an hundred round about.

052:024 And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the door:

052:025 He took also out of the city an eunuch, which had the charge of the men of war; and seven men of them that were near the king's person, which were found in the city; and the principal scribe of the host, who mustered the people of the land; and threescore men of the people of the land, that were found in the midst of the city.

052:026 So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

052:027 And the king of Babylon smote them, and put them to death in Riblah in the land of Hamath. Thus Judah was carried away

captive out of his own land.

052:028 This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive: in the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty:

052:029 In the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons:

052:030 In the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: all the persons were four thousand and six hundred.

052:031 And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth day of the month, that Evilmerodach king of Babylon in the first year of his reign lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison.

052:032 And spake kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with him in Babylon,

052:033 And changed his prison garments: and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.

052:034 And for his diet, there was a continual diet given him of the king of Babylon, every day a portion until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

Ezekiel

- 001:001 Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I was among the captives by the river of Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God.
- 001:002 In the fifth day of the month, which was the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity,
- 001:003 The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.
- 001:004 And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.
- 001:005 Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.
- 001:006 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.
- 001:007 And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.
- 001:008 And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.
- 001:009 Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.
- 001:010 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.
- 001:011 Thus were their faces: and their wings were stretched upward; two wings of every one were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.
- 001:012 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went.
- 001:013 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.
- 001:014 And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.
- 001:015 Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the

earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

001:016 The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.

001:017 When they went, they went upon their four sides: and they turned not when they went.

001:018 As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their rings were full of eyes round about them four.

001:019 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.

001:020 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.

001:021 When those went, these went; and when those stood, these stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.

001:022 And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature was as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

001:023 And under the firmament were their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

001:024 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

001:025 And there was a voice from the firmament that was over their heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings.

001:026 And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.

001:027 And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.

001:028 As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain,

so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

002:001 And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee.

002:002 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me.

002:003 And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me, even unto this very day.

002:004 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

002:005 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they are a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.

002:006 And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briers and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.

002:007 And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear: for they are most rebellious.

002:008 But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house: open thy mouth, and eat that I give thee.

002:009 And when I looked, behold, an hand was sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book was therein;

002:010 And he spread it before me; and it was written within and without: and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

003:001 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel.

003:002 So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll.

003:003 And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I eat it; and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness.

003:004 And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with my words unto them.

003:005 For thou art not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, but to the house of Israel;

003:006 Not to many people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee.

003:007 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel are impudent and hardhearted.

003:008 Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.

003:009 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.

003:010 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.

003:011 And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.

003:012 Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, Blessed be the glory of the LORD from his place.

003:013 I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

003:014 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

003:015 Then I came to them of the captivity at Telabib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days.

003:016 And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

003:017 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.

003:018 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

003:019 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness,

nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

003:020 Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumbling-block before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

003:021 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

003:022 And the hand of the LORD was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth into the plain, and I will there talk with thee.

003:023 Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face.

003:024 Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house.

003:025 But thou, O son of man, behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:

003:026 And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them a reprover: for they are a rebellious house.

003:027 But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear: for they are a rebellious house.

004:001 Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, even Jerusalem:

004:002 And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set battering rams against it round about.

004:003 Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it for a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This shall be a sign to the house of Israel.

004:004 Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.

004:005 For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.

004:006 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year.

004:007 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm shall be uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

004:008 And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.

004:009 Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof.

004:010 And thy meat which thou shalt eat shall be by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

004:011 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time shalt thou drink.

004:012 And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.

004:013 And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them.

004:014 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth.

004:015 Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

004:016 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment:

004:017 That they may want bread and water, and be astonished one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.

005:001 And thou, son of man, take thee a sharp knife, take thee a barber's razor, and cause it to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take thee balances to weigh, and divide the hair.

- 005:002 Thou shalt burn with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are fulfilled: and thou shalt take a third part, and smite about it with a knife: and a third part thou shalt scatter in the wind; and I will draw out a sword after them.
- 005:003 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy skirts.
- 005:004 Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; for thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.
- 005:005 Thus saith the Lord GOD; This is Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of the nations and countries that are round about her.
- 005:006 And she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that are round about her: for they have refused my judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them.
- 005:007 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye multiplied more than the nations that are round about you, and have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept my judgments, neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that are round about you;
- 005:008 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, am against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.
- 005:009 And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations.
- 005:010 Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the winds.
- 005:011 Wherefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast defiled my sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish thee; neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.
- 005:012 A third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee; and I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.
- 005:013 Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest upon them, and I will be comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken it in my zeal, when I have

accomplished my fury in them.

005:014 Moreover I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that are round about thee, in the sight of all that pass by.

005:015 So it shall be a reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment unto the nations that are round about thee, when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in furious rebukes. I the LORD have spoken it.

005:016 When I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for their destruction, and which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you, and will break your staff of bread:

005:017 So will I send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee: and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and I will bring the sword upon thee. I the LORD have spoken it.

006:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

006:002 Son of man, set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,

006:003 And say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys; Behold, I, even I, will bring a sword upon you, and I will destroy your high places.

006:004 And your altars shall be desolate, and your images shall be broken: and I will cast down your slain men before your idols.

006:005 And I will lay the dead carcasses of the children of Israel before their idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

006:006 In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your works may be abolished.

006:007 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

006:008 Yet will I leave a remnant, that ye may have some that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

006:009 And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives, because I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols: and they shall lothe themselves for the evils which they have committed in

all their abominations.

006:010 And they shall know that I am the LORD, and that I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them.

006:011 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say, Alas for all the evil abominations of the house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.

006:012 He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my fury upon them.

006:013 Then shall ye know that I am the LORD, when their slain men shall be among their idols round about their altars, upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, and under every thick oak, the place where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols.

006:014 So will I stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, more desolate than the wilderness toward Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

007:001 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

007:002 Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD unto the land of Israel; An end, the end is come upon the four corners of the land.

007:003 Now is the end come upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations.

007:004 And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

007:005 Thus saith the Lord GOD; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come.

007:006 An end is come, the end is come: it watcheth for thee; behold, it is come.

007:007 The morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: the time is come, the day of trouble is near, and not the sounding again of the mountains.

007:008 Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.

007:009 And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according to thy ways and thine abominations that are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I am the LORD that smiteth.

007:010 Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.

007:011 Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them shall remain, nor of their multitude, nor of any of their's: neither shall there be wailing for them.

007:012 The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn: for wrath is upon all the multitude thereof.

007:013 For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, although they were yet alive: for the vision is touching the whole multitude thereof, which shall not return; neither shall any strengthen himself in the iniquity of his life.

007:014 They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for my wrath is upon all the multitude thereof.

007:015 The sword is without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that is in the field shall die with the sword; and he that is in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.

007:016 But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity.

007:017 All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak as water.

007:018 They shall also gird themselves with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame shall be upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads.

007:019 They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD: they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels: because it is the stumblingblock of their iniquity.

007:020 As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty: but they made the images of their abominations and of their detestable things therein: therefore have I set it far from them.

007:021 And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall pollute it.

007:022 My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute my secret place: for the robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

007:023 Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence.

007:024 Wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possess their houses: I will also make the pomp of the strong to cease; and their holy places shall be defiled.

007:025 Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and there shall be none.

007:026 Mischief shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour; then shall they seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients.

007:027 The king shall mourn, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and according to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

008:001 And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord GOD fell there upon me.

008:002 Then I beheld, and lo a likeness as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of his loins even downward, fire; and from his loins even upward, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber.

008:003 And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.

008:004 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, according to the vision that I saw in the plain.

008:005 Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry.

008:006 He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? even the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations.

008:007 And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall.

008:008 Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

008:009 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.

008:010 So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

008:011 And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censer in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up.

008:012 Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, the LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

008:013 He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.

008:014 Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD's house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

008:015 Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

008:016 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

008:017 Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose.

008:018 Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them.

009:001 He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man with his destroying weapon in his hand.

009:002 And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar.

009:003 And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer's inkhorn by his

side;

009:004 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

009:005 And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:

009:006 Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

009:007 And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

009:008 And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell upon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?

009:009 Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.

009:010 And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, but I will recompense their way upon their head.

009:011 And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which had the inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

010:001 Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.

010:002 And he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, even under the cherub, and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and scatter them over the city. And he went in in my sight.

010:003 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

010:004 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD's glory.

010:005 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.

010:006 And it came to pass, that when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying, Take fire from between the wheels, from between the cherubims; then he went in, and stood beside the wheels.

010:007 And one cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire that was between the cherubims, and took thereof, and put it into the hands of him that was clothed with linen: who took it, and went out.

010:008 And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings.

010:009 And when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub, and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels was as the colour of a beryl stone.

010:010 And as for their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel.

010:011 When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.

010:012 And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about, even the wheels that they four had.

010:013 As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel.

010:014 And every one had four faces: the first face was the face of a cherub, and the second face was the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.

010:015 And the cherubims were lifted up. This is the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar.

010:016 And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them.

010:017 When they stood, these stood; and when they were lifted up, these lifted up themselves also: for the spirit of the living creature was in them.

010:018 Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims.

010:019 And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also were beside them, and every one stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD's house; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.

010:020 This is the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they were the cherubims.

010:021 Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man was under their wings.

010:022 And the likeness of their faces was the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

011:001 Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD's house, which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people.

011:002 Then said he unto me, Son of man, these are the men that devise mischief, and give wicked counsel in this city:

011:003 Which say, It is not near; let us build houses: this city is the caldron, and we be the flesh.

011:004 Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man.

011:005 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, every one of them.

011:006 Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain.

011:007 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they are the flesh, and this city is the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.

011:008 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD.

011:009 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.

011:010 Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

011:011 This city shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof; but I will judge you in the border of Israel:

011:012 And ye shall know that I am the LORD: for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that are round about you.

011:013 And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel?

011:014 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
011:015 Son of man, thy brethren, even thy brethren, the men of thy
kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, are they unto whom
the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the
LORD: unto us is this land given in possession.
011:016 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast
them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered
them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little
sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.
011:017 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you
from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye
have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.
011:018 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the
detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from
thence.
011:019 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you;
and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them
an heart of flesh:
011:020 That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and
do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.
011:021 But as for them whose heart walketh after the heart of their
detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their
way upon their own heads, saith the Lord GOD.
011:022 Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside
them; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.
011:023 And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and
stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city.
011:024 Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the
Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision
that I had seen went up from me.
011:025 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the
LORD had shewed me.
012:001 The word of the LORD also came unto me, saying,
012:002 Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which
have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear
not: for they are a rebellious house.
012:003 Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee stuff for removing, and
remove by day in their sight; and thou shalt remove from thy place
to another place in their sight: it may be they will consider, though
they be a rebellious house.

012:004 Then shalt thou bring forth thy stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing: and thou shalt go forth at even in their sight, as they that go forth into captivity.

012:005 Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.

012:006 In their sight shalt thou bear it upon thy shoulders, and carry it forth in the twilight: thou shalt cover thy face, that thou see not the ground: for I have set thee for a sign unto the house of Israel.

012:007 And I did so as I was commanded: I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for captivity, and in the even I digged through the wall with mine hand; I brought it forth in the twilight, and I bare it upon my shoulder in their sight.

012:008 And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

012:009 Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What doest thou?

012:010 Say thou unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; This burden concerneth the prince in Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel that are among them.

012:011 Say, I am your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them: they shall remove and go into captivity.

012:012 And the prince that is among them shall bear upon his shoulder in the twilight, and shall go forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall cover his face, that he see not the ground with his eyes.

012:013 My net also will I spread upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare: and I will bring him to Babylon to the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there.

012:014 And I will scatter toward every wind all that are about him to help him, and all his bands; and I will draw out the sword after them.

012:015 And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.

012:016 But I will leave a few men of them from the sword, from the famine, and from the pestilence; that they may declare all their abominations among the heathen whither they come; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

012:017 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

012:018 Son of man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness;

012:019 And say unto the people of the land, Thus saith the Lord GOD of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and of the land of Israel; They shall eat their bread with carefulness, and drink their water with

astonishment, that her land may be desolate from all that is therein, because of the violence of all them that dwell therein.

012:020 And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

012:021 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

012:022 Son of man, what is that proverb that ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The days are prolonged, and every vision faileth?

012:023 Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, The days are at hand, and the effect of every vision.

012:024 For there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel.

012:025 For I am the LORD: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more prolonged: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord GOD.

012:026 Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying.

012:027 Son of man, behold, they of the house of Israel say, The vision that he seeth is for many days to come, and he prophesieth of the times that are far off.

012:028 Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; There shall none of my words be prolonged any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, saith the Lord GOD.

013:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

013:002 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

013:003 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!

013:004 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

013:005 Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.

013:006 They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The LORD saith: and the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made others to hope that they would confirm the word.

013:007 Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination, whereas ye say, The LORD saith it; albeit I have not spoken?

013:008 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken

vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you, saith the Lord GOD.

013:009 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the Lord GOD.

013:010 Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there was no peace; and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar:

013:011 Say unto them which daub it with untempered mortar, that it shall fall: there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend it.

013:012 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where is the daubing wherewith ye have daubed it?

013:013 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even rend it with a stormy wind in my fury; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in my fury to consume it.

013:014 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

013:015 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered mortar, and will say unto you, The wall is no more, neither they that daubed it;

013:016 To wit, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and there is no peace, saith the Lord GOD.

013:017 Likewise, thou son of man, set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them,

013:018 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the women that sew pillows to all armholes, and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to hunt souls! Will ye hunt the souls of my people, and will ye save the souls alive that come unto you?

013:019 And will ye pollute me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear your lies?

013:020 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls to make them fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, even the souls that ye hunt to make them fly.

013:021 Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be hunted; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

013:022 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, by promising him life:

013:023 Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my people out of your hand: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

014:001 Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.

014:002 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

014:003 Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?

014:004 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

014:005 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols.

014:006 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

014:007 For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which separateth himself from me, and setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning me; I the LORD will answer him by myself:

014:008 And I will set my face against that man, and will make him a sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from the midst of my people; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

014:009 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand

upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.

014:010 And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh unto him;

014:011 That the house of Israel may go no more astray from me, neither be polluted any more with all their transgressions; but that they may be my people, and I may be their God, saith the Lord GOD.

014:012 The word of the LORD came again to me, saying,

014:013 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:

014:014 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.

014:015 If I cause noisome beasts to pass through the land, and they spoil it, so that it be desolate, that no man may pass through because of the beasts:

014:016 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.

014:017 Or if I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut off man and beast from it:

014:018 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.

014:019 Or if I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my fury upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast:

014:020 Though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.

014:021 For thus saith the Lord GOD; How much more when I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast?

014:022 Yet, behold, therein shall be left a remnant that shall be brought forth, both sons and daughters: behold, they shall come forth unto you, and ye shall see their way and their doings: and ye shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, even concerning all that I have brought upon it.

014:023 And they shall comfort you, when ye see their ways and their doings: and ye shall know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord GOD.

015:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
015:002 Son of man, what is the vine tree more than any tree, or than a branch which is among the trees of the forest?
015:003 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work? or will men take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?
015:004 Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuel; the fire devoureth both the ends of it, and the midst of it is burned. Is it meet for any work?
015:005 Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no work: how much less shall it be meet yet for any work, when the fire hath devoured it, and it is burned?
015:006 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
015:007 And I will set my face against them; they shall go out from one fire, and another fire shall devour them; and ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them.
015:008 And I will make the land desolate, because they have committed a trespass, saith the Lord GOD.

016:001 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
016:002 Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know her abominations,
016:003 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem; Thy birth and thy nativity is of the land of Canaan; thy father was an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.
016:004 And as for thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to supple thee; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all.
016:005 None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born.
016:006 And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live.
016:007 I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments: thy breasts are fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou wast naked and bare.
016:008 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy

time was the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.

016:009 Then washed I thee with water; yea, I thoroughly washed away thy blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil.

016:010 I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with badgers' skin, and I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk.

016:011 I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy hands, and a chain on thy neck.

016:012 And I put a jewel on thy forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

016:013 Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment was of fine linen, and silk, and broidered work; thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast exceeding beautiful, and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.

016:014 And thy renown went forth among the heathen for thy beauty: for it was perfect through my comeliness, which I had put upon thee, saith the Lord GOD.

016:015 But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.

016:016 And of thy garments thou didst take, and deckedst thy high places with divers colours, and playedst the harlot thereupon: the like things shall not come, neither shall it be so.

016:017 Thou hast also taken thy fair jewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee, and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them,

016:018 And tookest thy broidered garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil and mine incense before them.

016:019 My meat also which I gave thee, fine flour, and oil, and honey, wherewith I fed thee, thou hast even set it before them for a sweet savour: and thus it was, saith the Lord GOD.

016:020 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me, and these hast thou sacrificed unto them to be devoured. Is this of thy whoredoms a small matter,

016:021 That thou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through the fire for them?

016:022 And in all thine abominations and thy whoredoms thou hast not

remembered the days of thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare, and wast polluted in thy blood.

016:023 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the LORD GOD;)

016:024 That thou hast also built unto thee an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.

016:025 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.

016:026 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.

016:027 Behold, therefore I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine ordinary food, and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, the daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.

016:028 Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.

016:029 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied therewith.

016:030 How weak is thine heart, saith the LORD GOD, seeing thou doest all these things, the work of an imperious whorish woman;

016:031 In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire;

016:032 But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!

016:033 They give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.

016:034 And the contrary is in thee from other women in thy whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.

016:035 Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD:

016:036 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;

016:037 Behold, therefore I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loved, with all them that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness.

016:038 And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.

016:039 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine eminent place, and shall break down thy high places: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.

016:040 They shall also bring up a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords.

016:041 And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no hire any more.

016:042 So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

016:043 Because thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast fretted me in all these things; behold, therefore I also will recompense thy way upon thine head, saith the Lord GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations.

016:044 Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use this proverb against thee, saying, As is the mother, so is her daughter.

016:045 Thou art thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her children; and thou art the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their children: your mother was an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.

016:046 And thine elder sister is Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand: and thy younger sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, is Sodom and her daughters.

016:047 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, as if that were a very little thing, thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.

016:048 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.

016:049 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and

needy.

016:050 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw good.

016:051 Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy sins; but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine abominations which thou hast done.

016:052 Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they: they are more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters.

016:053 When I shall bring again their captivity, the captivity of Sodom and her daughters, and the captivity of Samaria and her daughters, then will I bring again the captivity of thy captives in the midst of them:

016:054 That thou mayest bear thine own shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto them.

016:055 When thy sisters, Sodom and her daughters, shall return to their former estate, and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall return to your former estate.

016:056 For thy sister Sodom was not mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy pride,

016:057 Before thy wickedness was discovered, as at the time of thy reproach of the daughters of Syria, and all that are round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which despise thee round about.

016:058 Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD.

016:059 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast despised the oath in breaking the covenant.

016:060 Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.

016:061 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for daughters, but not by thy covenant.

016:062 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD:

016:063 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and never open

thy mouth any more because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD.

017:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

017:002 Son of man, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel;

017:003 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of the cedar:

017:004 He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffick; he set it in a city of merchants.

017:005 He took also of the seed of the land, and planted it in a fruitful field; he placed it by great waters, and set it as a willow tree.

017:006 And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned toward him, and the roots thereof were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs.

017:007 There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine did bend her roots toward him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrows of her plantation.

017:008 It was planted in a good soil by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine.

017:009 Say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Shall it prosper? shall he not pull up the roots thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.

017:010 Yea, behold, being planted, shall it prosper? shall it not utterly wither, when the east wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.

017:011 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

017:012 Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these things mean? tell them, Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;

017:013 And hath taken of the king's seed, and made a covenant with him, and hath taken an oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:

017:014 That the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up, but that by keeping of his covenant it might stand.

017:015 But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people. Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such things? or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?

017:016 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely in the place where the king dwelleth that made him king, whose oath he despised, and whose covenant he brake, even with him in the midst of Babylon he shall die.

017:017 Neither shall Pharaoh with his mighty army and great company make for him in the war, by casting up mounts, and building forts, to cut off many persons:

017:018 Seeing he despised the oath by breaking the covenant, when, lo, he had given his hand, and hath done all these things, he shall not escape.

017:019 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As I live, surely mine oath that he hath despised, and my covenant that he hath broken, even it will I recompense upon his own head.

017:020 And I will spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon, and will plead with him there for his trespass that he hath trespassed against me.

017:021 And all his fugitives with all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remain shall be scattered toward all winds: and ye shall know that I the LORD have spoken it.

017:022 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also take of the highest branch of the high cedar, and will set it; I will crop off from the top of his young twigs a tender one, and will plant it upon an high mountain and eminent:

017:023 In the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it: and it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar: and under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing; in the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.

017:024 And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree to flourish: I the LORD have spoken and have done it.

018:001 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

018:002 What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?

018:003 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, ye shall not have occasion any more

to use this proverb in Israel.

018:004 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.

018:005 But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right,

018:006 And hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman,

018:007 And hath not oppressed any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;

018:008 He that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man,

018:009 Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD.

018:010 If he beget a son that is a robber, a shedder of blood, and that doeth the like to any one of these things,

018:011 And that doeth not any of those duties, but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and defiled his neighbour's wife,

018:012 Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath spoiled by violence, hath not restored the pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols, hath committed abomination,

018:013 Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.

018:014 Now, lo, if he beget a son, that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done, and considereth, and doeth not such like,

018:015 That hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,

018:016 Neither hath oppressed any, hath not withholden the pledge, neither hath spoiled by violence, but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment,

018:017 That hath taken off his hand from the poor, that hath not received usury nor increase, hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes; he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.

018:018 As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did that which is not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.

018:019 Yet say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father?
When the son hath done that which is lawful and right, and hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely live.

018:020 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

018:021 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

018:022 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.

018:023 Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?

018:024 But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.

018:025 Yet ye say, The way of the LORD is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?

018:026 When a righteous man turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.

018:027 Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

018:028 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

018:029 Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the LORD is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?

018:030 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

018:031 Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why

will ye die, O house of Israel?

018:032 For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and live ye.

019:001 Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel,

019:002 And say, What is thy mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions, she nourished her whelps among young lions.

019:003 And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion, and it learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.

019:004 The nations also heard of him; he was taken in their pit, and they brought him with chains unto the land of Egypt.

019:005 Now when she saw that she had waited, and her hope was lost, then she took another of her whelps, and made him a young lion.

019:006 And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion, and learned to catch the prey, and devoured men.

019:007 And he knew their desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate, and the fulness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.

019:008 Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces, and spread their net over him: he was taken in their pit.

019:009 And they put him in ward in chains, and brought him to the king of Babylon: they brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel.

019:010 Thy mother is like a vine in thy blood, planted by the waters: she was fruitful and full of branches by reason of many waters.

019:011 And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule, and her stature was exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.

019:012 But she was plucked up in fury, she was cast down to the ground, and the east wind dried up her fruit: her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.

019:013 And now she is planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.

019:014 And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, which hath devoured her fruit, so that she hath no strong rod to be a sceptre to rule.

This is a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.

020:001 And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth month, the tenth day of the month, that certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of the LORD, and sat before me.

020:002 Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

020:003 Son of man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them,

Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye come to enquire of me? As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

020:004 Wilt thou judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge them? cause them to know the abominations of their fathers:

020:005 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when I chose Israel, and lifted up mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob, and made myself known unto them in the land of Egypt, when I lifted up mine hand unto them, saying, I am the LORD your God;

020:006 In the day that I lifted up mine hand unto them, to bring them forth of the land of Egypt into a land that I had espied for them, flowing with milk and honey, which is the glory of all lands:

020:007 Then said I unto them, Cast ye away every man the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

020:008 But they rebelled against me, and would not hearken unto me: they did not every man cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt: then I said, I will pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the midst of the land of Egypt.

020:009 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, among whom they were, in whose sight I made myself known unto them, in bringing them forth out of the land of Egypt.

020:010 Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness.

020:011 And I gave them my statutes, and shewed them my judgments, which if a man do, he shall even live in them.

020:012 Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I am the LORD that sanctify them.

020:013 But the house of Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in my statutes, and they despised my judgments, which if a man do, he shall even live in them; and my sabbaths they greatly polluted: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them in the wilderness, to consume them.

020:014 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in whose sight I brought them out.

020:015 Yet also I lifted up my hand unto them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given them, flowing

with milk and honey, which is the glory of all lands;

020:016 Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.

020:017 Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness.

020:018 But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:

020:019 I am the LORD your God; walk in my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;

020:020 And hallow my sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I am the LORD your God.

020:021 Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me: they walked not in my statutes, neither kept my judgments to do them, which if a man do, he shall even live in them; they polluted my sabbaths: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the wilderness.

020:022 Nevertheless I withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted in the sight of the heathen, in whose sight I brought them forth.

020:023 I lifted up mine hand unto them also in the wilderness, that I would scatter them among the heathen, and disperse them through the countries;

020:024 Because they had not executed my judgments, but had despised my statutes, and had polluted my sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers' idols.

020:025 Wherefore I gave them also statutes that were not good, and judgments whereby they should not live;

020:026 And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through the fire all that openeth the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I am the LORD.

020:027 Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Yet in this your fathers have blasphemed me, in that they have committed a trespass against me.

020:028 For when I had brought them into the land, for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to them, then they saw every high hill, and all the thick trees, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering: there also they

made their sweet savour, and poured out there their drink offerings.

020:029 Then I said unto them, What is the high place whereunto ye go? And the name whereof is called Bamah unto this day.

020:030 Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit ye whoredom after their abominations?

020:031 For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the fire, ye pollute yourselves with all your idols, even unto this day: and shall I be enquired of by you, O house of Israel? As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.

020:032 And that which cometh into your mind shall not be at all, that ye say, We will be as the heathen, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone.

020:033 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you:

020:034 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

020:035 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face.

020:036 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD.

020:037 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant:

020:038 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

020:039 As for you, O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter also, if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ye my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols.

020:040 For in mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the firstfruits of your oblations, with all your holy things.

020:041 I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from

the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.

020:042 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.

020:043 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed.

020:044 And ye shall know that I am the LORD when I have wrought with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

020:045 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

020:046 Son of man, set thy face toward the south, and drop thy word toward the south, and prophesy against the forest of the south field;

020:047 And say to the forest of the south, Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north shall be burned therein.

020:048 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.

020:049 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! they say of me, Doth he not speak parables?

021:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

021:002 Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop thy word toward the holy places, and prophesy against the land of Israel,

021:003 And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I am against thee, and will draw forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked.

021:004 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked, therefore shall my sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:

021:005 That all flesh may know that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it shall not return any more.

021:006 Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of thy loins; and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.

021:007 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answer, For the tidings; because it cometh: and

every heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak as water: behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass, saith the Lord GOD.

021:008 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

021:009 Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished:

021:010 It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? it contemneth the rod of my son, as every tree.

021:011 And he hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened, and it is furbished, to give it into the hand of the slayer.

021:012 Cry and howl, son of man: for it shall be upon my people, it shall be upon all the princes of Israel: terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon my people: smite therefore upon thy thigh.

021:013 Because it is a trial, and what if the sword contemn even the rod? it shall be no more, saith the Lord GOD.

021:014 Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, and smite thine hands together. and let the sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the slain: it is the sword of the great men that are slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.

021:015 I have set the point of the sword against all their gates, that their heart may faint, and their ruins be multiplied: ah! it is made bright, it is wrapped up for the slaughter.

021:016 Go thee one way or other, either on the right hand, or on the left, whithersoever thy face is set.

021:017 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD have said it.

021:018 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

021:019 Also, thou son of man, appoint thee two ways, that the sword of the king of Babylon may come: both twain shall come forth out of one land: and choose thou a place, choose it at the head of the way to the city.

021:020 Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the Ammonites, and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.

021:021 For the king of Babylon stood at the parting of the way, at the head of the two ways, to use divination: he made his arrows bright, he consulted with images, he looked in the liver.

021:022 At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem, to appoint captains, to open the mouth in the slaughter, to lift up the voice

with shouting, to appoint battering rams against the gates, to cast a mount, and to build a fort.

021:023 And it shall be unto them as a false divination in their sight, to them that have sworn oaths: but he will call to remembrance the iniquity, that they may be taken.

021:024 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have made your iniquity to be remembered, in that your transgressions are discovered, so that in all your doings your sins do appear; because, I say, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shall be taken with the hand.

021:025 And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity shall have an end,

021:026 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this shall not be the same: exalt him that is low, and abase him that is high.

021:027 I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no more, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it him.

021:028 And thou, son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning the Ammonites, and concerning their reproach; even say thou, The sword, the sword is drawn: for the slaughter it is furbished, to consume because of the glittering:

021:029 Whiles they see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie unto thee, to bring thee upon the necks of them that are slain, of the wicked, whose day is come, when their iniquity shall have an end.

021:030 Shall I cause it to return into his sheath? I will judge thee in the place where thou wast created, in the land of thy nativity.

021:031 And I will pour out mine indignation upon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath, and deliver thee into the hand of brutish men, and skilful to destroy.

021:032 Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire; thy blood shall be in the midst of the land; thou shalt be no more remembered: for I the LORD have spoken it.

022:001 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

022:002 Now, thou son of man, wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations.

022:003 Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD, The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself.

022:004 Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast

caused thy days to draw near, and art come even unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.

022:005 Those that be near, and those that be far from thee, shall mock thee, which art infamous and much vexed.

022:006 Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their power to shed blood.

022:007 In thee have they set light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they dealt by oppression with the stranger: in thee have they vexed the fatherless and the widow.

022:008 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.

022:009 In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.

022:010 In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her that was set apart for pollution.

022:011 And one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter.

022:012 In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord GOD.

022:013 Behold, therefore I have smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.

022:014 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee? I the LORD have spoken it, and will do it.

022:015 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries, and will consume thy filthiness out of thee.

022:016 And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

022:017 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

022:018 Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver.

022:019 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

022:020 As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into

the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt it; so will I gather you in mine anger and in my fury, and I will leave you there, and melt you.

022:021 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

022:022 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.

022:023 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

022:024 Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

022:025 There is a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

022:026 Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

022:027 Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

022:028 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

022:029 The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.

022:030 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

022:031 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

023:001 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

023:002 Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother:

023:003 And they committed whoredoms in Egypt; they committed whoredoms in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.

023:004 And the names of them were Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her

sister: and they were mine, and they bare sons and daughters.
Thus were their names; Samaria is Aholah, and Jerusalem
Aholibah.

- 023:005 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted
on her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbours,
023:006 Which were clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them
desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses.
023:007 Thus she committed her whoredoms with them, with all them that
were the chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted:
with all their idols she defiled herself.
023:008 Neither left she her whoredoms brought from Egypt: for in her
youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her
virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.
023:009 Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the
hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.
023:010 These discovered her nakedness: they took her sons and her
daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became famous
among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.
023:011 And when her sister Aholibah saw this, she was more corrupt in
her inordinate love than she, and in her whoredoms more than
her sister in her whoredoms.
023:012 She doted upon the Assyrians her neighbours, captains and rulers
clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of
them desirable young men.
023:013 Then I saw that she was defiled, that they took both one way,
023:014 And that she increased her whoredoms: for when she saw men
pourtrayed upon the wall, the images of the Chaldeans
pourtrayed with vermilion,
023:015 Girded with girdles upon their loins, exceeding in dyed attire upon
their heads, all of them princes to look to, after the manner of the
Babylonians of Chaldea, the land of their nativity:
023:016 And as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doted upon
them, and sent messengers unto them into Chaldea.
023:017 And the Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they
defiled her with their whoredom, and she was polluted with them,
and her mind was alienated from them.
023:018 So she discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her
nakedness: then my mind was alienated from her, like as my mind
was alienated from her sister.
023:019 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the

days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.

023:020 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh of asses, and whose issue is like the issue of horses.

023:021 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

023:022 Therefore, O Aholibah, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will raise up thy lovers against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on every side;

023:023 The Babylonians, and all the Chaldeans, Pekod, and Shoa, and Koa, and all the Assyrians with them: all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.

023:024 And they shall come against thee with chariots, wagons, and wheels, and with an assembly of people, which shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round about: and I will set judgment before them, and they shall judge thee according to their judgments.

023:025 And I will set my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters; and thy residue shall be devoured by the fire.

023:026 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy fair jewels.

023:027 Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom brought from the land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any more.

023:028 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand of them whom thou hatest, into the hand of them from whom thy mind is alienated:

023:029 And they shall deal with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

023:030 I will do these things unto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen, and because thou art polluted with their idols.

023:031 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her cup into thine hand.

023:032 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large: thou shalt be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it

containeth much.

- 023:033 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment and desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.
- 023:034 Thou shalt even drink it and suck it out, and thou shalt break the sherds thereof, and pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.
- 023:035 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast forgotten me, and cast me behind thy back, therefore bear thou also thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.
- 023:036 The LORD said moreover unto me; Son of man, wilt thou judge Aholah and Aholibah? yea, declare unto them their abominations;
- 023:037 That they have committed adultery, and blood is in their hands, and with their idols have they committed adultery, and have also caused their sons, whom they bare unto me, to pass for them through the fire, to devour them.
- 023:038 Moreover this they have done unto me: they have defiled my sanctuary in the same day, and have profaned my sabbaths.
- 023:039 For when they had slain their children to their idols, then they came the same day into my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, thus have they done in the midst of mine house.
- 023:040 And furthermore, that ye have sent for men to come from far, unto whom a messenger was sent; and, lo, they came: for whom thou didst wash thyself, paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments,
- 023:041 And satest upon a stately bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oil.
- 023:042 And a voice of a multitude being at ease was with her: and with the men of the common sort were brought Sabeans from the wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and beautiful crowns upon their heads.
- 023:043 Then said I unto her that was old in adulteries, Will they now commit whoredoms with her, and she with them?
- 023:044 Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went they in unto Aholah and unto Aholibah, the lewd women.
- 023:045 And the righteous men, they shall judge them after the manner of adulteresses, and after the manner of women that shed blood; because they are adulteresses, and blood is in their hands.
- 023:046 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will bring up a company upon them, and will give them to be removed and spoiled.

023:047 And the company shall stone them with stones, and dispatch them with their swords; they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire.

023:048 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.

023:049 And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and ye shall bear the sins of your idols: and ye shall know that I am the Lord GOD.

024:001 Again in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

024:002 Son of man, write thee the name of the day, even of this same day: the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day.

024:003 And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Set on a pot, set it on, and also pour water into it:

024:004 Gather the pieces thereof into it, even every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill it with the choice bones.

024:005 Take the choice of the flock, and burn also the bones under it, and make it boil well, and let them seethe the bones of it therein.

024:006 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum is therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it.

024:007 For her blood is in the midst of her; she set it upon the top of a rock; she poured it not upon the ground, to cover it with dust;

024:008 That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance; I have set her blood upon the top of a rock, that it should not be covered.

024:009 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city! I will even make the pile for fire great.

024:010 Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and spice it well, and let the bones be burned.

024:011 Then set it empty upon the coals thereof, that the brass of it may be hot, and may burn, and that the filthiness of it may be molten in it, that the scum of it may be consumed.

024:012 She hath wearied herself with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her scum shall be in the fire.

024:013 In thy filthiness is lewdness: because I have purged thee, and thou wast not purged, thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more, till I have caused my fury to rest upon thee.

024:014 I the LORD have spoken it: it shall come to pass, and I will do it; I

will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent;
according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they
judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.

024:015 Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

024:016 Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes
with a stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall
thy tears run down.

024:017 Forbear to cry, make no mourning for the dead, bind the tire of
thine head upon thee, and put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and
cover not thy lips, and eat not the bread of men.

024:018 So I spake unto the people in the morning: and at even my wife
died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded.

024:019 And the people said unto me, Wilt thou not tell us what these
things are to us, that thou doest so?

024:020 Then I answered them, The word of the LORD came unto me,
saying,

024:021 Speak unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold,
I will profane my sanctuary, the excellency of your strength, the
desire of your eyes, and that which your soul pitieth; and your
sons and your daughters whom ye have left shall fall by the
sword.

024:022 And ye shall do as I have done: ye shall not cover your lips, nor
eat the bread of men.

024:023 And your tires shall be upon your heads, and your shoes upon
your feet: ye shall not mourn nor weep; but ye shall pine away for
your iniquities, and mourn one toward another.

024:024 Thus Ezekiel is unto you a sign: according to all that he hath done
shall ye do: and when this cometh, ye shall know that I am the
Lord GOD.

024:025 Also, thou son of man, shall it not be in the day when I take from
them their strength, the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes,
and that whereupon they set their minds, their sons and their
daughters,

024:026 That he that escapeth in that day shall come unto thee, to cause
thee to hear it with thine ears?

024:027 In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped,
and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be a
sign unto them; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

025:001 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

025:002 Son of man, set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy

against them;

025:003 And say unto the Ammonites, Hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou saidst, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity;

025:004 Behold, therefore I will deliver thee to the men of the east for a possession, and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eat thy fruit, and they shall drink thy milk.

025:005 And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couching place for flocks: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

025:006 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast clapped thine hands, and stamped with the feet, and rejoiced in heart with all thy despite against the land of Israel;

025:007 Behold, therefore I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for a spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

025:008 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Moab and Seir do say, Behold, the house of Judah is like unto all the heathen;

025:009 Therefore, behold, I will open the side of Moab from the cities, from his cities which are on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Bethjeshimoth, Baalmeon, and Kiriathaim,

025:010 Unto the men of the east with the Ammonites, and will give them in possession, that the Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations.

025:011 And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

025:012 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Judah by taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;

025:013 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also stretch out mine hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from Teman; and they of Dedan shall fall by the sword.

025:014 And I will lay my vengeance upon Edom by the hand of my people Israel: and they shall do in Edom according to mine anger and according to my fury; and they shall know my vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.

025:015 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the Philistines have dealt by revenge, and have taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy it for the old hatred;

025:016 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will stretch out mine hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethims, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast.

025:017 And I will execute great vengeance upon them with furious rebukes; and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.

026:001 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

026:002 Son of man, because that Tyrus hath said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is broken that was the gates of the people: she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, now she is laid waste:

026:003 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.

026:004 And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.

026:005 It shall be a place for the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD: and it shall become a spoil to the nations.

026:006 And her daughters which are in the field shall be slain by the sword; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

026:007 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

026:008 He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field: and he shall make a fort against thee, and cast a mount against thee, and lift up the buckler against thee.

026:009 And he shall set engines of war against thy walls, and with his axes he shall break down thy towers.

026:010 By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, when he shall enter into thy gates, as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

026:011 With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets: he shall slay thy people by the sword, and thy strong garrisons shall

go down to the ground.

026:012 And they shall make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

026:013 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no more heard.

026:014 And I will make thee like the top of a rock: thou shalt be a place to spread nets upon; thou shalt be built no more: for I the LORD have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

026:015 Thus saith the Lord GOD to Tyrus; Shall not the isles shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?

026:016 Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their robes, and put off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselves with trembling; they shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble at every moment, and be astonished at thee.

026:017 And they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and say to thee, How art thou destroyed, that wast inhabited of seafaring men, the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants, which cause their terror to be on all that haunt it!

026:018 Now shall the isles tremble in the day of thy fall; yea, the isles that are in the sea shall be troubled at thy departure.

026:019 For thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover thee;

026:020 When I shall bring thee down with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that thou be not inhabited; and I shall set glory in the land of the living;

026:021 I will make thee a terror, and thou shalt be no more: though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.

027:001 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

027:002 Now, thou son of man, take up a lamentation for Tyrus;

027:003 And say unto Tyrus, O thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, which art a merchant of the people for many isles, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O Tyrus, thou hast said, I am of perfect beauty.

- 027:004 Thy borders are in the midst of the seas, thy builders have perfected thy beauty.
- 027:005 They have made all thy ship boards of fir trees of Senir: they have taken cedars from Lebanon to make masts for thee.
- 027:006 Of the oaks of Bashan have they made thine oars; the company of the Ashurites have made thy benches of ivory, brought out of the isles of Chittim.
- 027:007 Fine linen with brodered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be thy sail; blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was that which covered thee.
- 027:008 The inhabitants of Zidon and Arvad were thy mariners: thy wise men, O Tyrus, that were in thee, were thy pilots.
- 027:009 The ancients of Gebal and the wise men thereof were in thee thy calkers: all the ships of the sea with their mariners were in thee to occupy thy merchandise.
- 027:010 They of Persia and of Lud and of Phut were in thine army, thy men of war: they hanged the shield and helmet in thee; they set forth thy comeliness.
- 027:011 The men of Arvad with thine army were upon thy walls round about, and the Gammadims were in thy towers: they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about; they have made thy beauty perfect.
- 027:012 Tarshish was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all kind of riches; with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy fairs.
- 027:013 Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they were thy merchants: they traded the persons of men and vessels of brass in thy market.
- 027:014 They of the house of Togarmah traded in thy fairs with horses and horsemen and mules.
- 027:015 The men of Dedan were thy merchants; many isles were the merchandise of thine hand: they brought thee for a present horns of ivory and ebony.
- 027:016 Syria was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of the wares of thy making: they occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and brodered work, and fine linen, and coral, and agate.
- 027:017 Judah, and the land of Israel, they were thy merchants: they traded in thy market wheat of Minnith, and Pannag, and honey, and oil, and balm.
- 027:018 Damascus was thy merchant in the multitude of the wares of thy making, for the multitude of all riches; in the wine of Helbon, and white wool.

027:019 Dan also and Javan going to and fro occupied in thy fairs: bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

027:020 Dedan was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots.

027:021 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and goats: in these were they thy merchants.

027:022 The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they were thy merchants: they occupied in thy fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold.

027:023 Haran, and Canneh, and Eden, the merchants of Sheba, Asshur, and Chilmad, were thy merchants.

027:024 These were thy merchants in all sorts of things, in blue clothes, and brodered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar, among thy merchandise.

027:025 The ships of Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market: and thou wast replenished, and made very glorious in the midst of the seas.

027:026 Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: the east wind hath broken thee in the midst of the seas.

027:027 Thy riches, and thy fairs, thy merchandise, thy mariners, and thy pilots, thy calkers, and the occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy men of war, that are in thee, and in all thy company which is in the midst of thee, shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of thy ruin.

027:028 The suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

027:029 And all that handle the oar, the mariners, and all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships, they shall stand upon the land;

027:030 And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast up dust upon their heads, they shall wallow themselves in the ashes:

027:031 And they shall make themselves utterly bald for thee, and gird them with sackcloth, and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of heart and bitter wailing.

027:032 And in their wailing they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and lament over thee, saying, What city is like Tyrus, like the destroyed in the midst of the sea?

027:033 When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people; thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.

027:034 In the time when thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy merchandise and all thy company in the midst of

thee shall fall.

027:035 All the inhabitants of the isles shall be astonished at thee, and their kings shall be sore afraid, they shall be troubled in their countenance.

027:036 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt be any more.

028:001 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

028:002 Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast said, I am a God, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas; yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:

028:003 Behold, thou art wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:

028:004 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:

028:005 By thy great wisdom and by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:

028:006 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;

028:007 Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.

028:008 They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of them that are slain in the midst of the seas.

028:009 Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I am God? but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.

028:010 Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

028:011 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

028:012 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.

028:013 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

028:014 Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked

up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

028:015 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

028:016 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

028:017 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

028:018 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.

028:019 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

028:020 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

028:021 Son of man, set thy face against Zidon, and prophesy against it,

028:022 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Zidon; and I will be glorified in the midst of thee: and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall have executed judgments in her, and shall be sanctified in her.

028:023 For I will send into her pestilence, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

028:024 And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor any grieving thorn of all that are round about them, that despised them; and they shall know that I am the Lord GOD.

028:025 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob.

028:026 And they shall dwell safely therein, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, when I have executed judgments upon all those that despise them round about them; and they shall know that I am the LORD their God.

029:001 In the tenth year, in the tenth month, in the twelfth day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

029:002 Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt:

029:003 Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river is mine own, and I have made it for myself.

029:004 But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales.

029:005 And I will leave thee thrown into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven.

029:006 And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I am the LORD, because they have been a staff of reed to the house of Israel.

029:007 When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder: and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand.

029:008 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee.

029:009 And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they shall know that I am the LORD: because he hath said, The river is mine, and I have made it.

029:010 Behold, therefore I am against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt utterly waste and desolate, from the tower of Syene even unto the border of Ethiopia.

029:011 No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years.

029:012 And I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries that are desolate, and her cities among the cities that are laid waste shall be desolate forty years: and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

029:013 Yet thus saith the Lord GOD; At the end of forty years will I gather the Egyptians from the people whither they were scattered:

029:014 And I will bring again the captivity of Egypt, and will cause them to return into the land of Pathros, into the land of their habitation; and they shall be there a base kingdom.

029:015 It shall be the basest of the kingdoms; neither shall it exalt itself

any more above the nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations.

029:016 And it shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, which bringeth their iniquity to remembrance, when they shall look after them: but they shall know that I am the Lord GOD.

029:017 And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first month, in the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

029:018 Son of man, Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service against Tyrus: every head was made bald, and every shoulder was peeled: yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it:

029:019 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall take her multitude, and take her spoil, and take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army.

029:020 I have given him the land of Egypt for his labour wherewith he served against it, because they wrought for me, saith the Lord GOD.

029:021 In that day will I cause the horn of the house of Israel to bud forth, and I will give thee the opening of the mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

030:001 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

030:002 Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Howl ye, Woe worth the day!

030:003 For the day is near, even the day of the LORD is near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of the heathen.

030:004 And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down.

030:005 Ethiopia, and Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the men of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword.

030:006 Thus saith the LORD; They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

030:007 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries that are desolate, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities that are wasted.

030:008 And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I have set a fire in

Egypt, and when all her helpers shall be destroyed.

030:009 In that day shall messengers go forth from me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid, and great pain shall come upon them, as in the day of Egypt: for, lo, it cometh.

030:010 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.

030:011 He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

030:012 And I will make the rivers dry, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and I will make the land waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have spoken it.

030:013 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also destroy the idols, and I will cause their images to cease out of Noph; and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt: and I will put a fear in the land of Egypt.

030:014 And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set fire in Zoan, and will execute judgments in No.

030:015 And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude of No.

030:016 And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No shall be rent asunder, and Noph shall have distresses daily.

030:017 The young men of Aven and of Pibeseth shall fall by the sword: and these cities shall go into captivity.

030:018 At Tehaphnehes also the day shall be darkened, when I shall break there the yokes of Egypt: and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity.

030:019 Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

030:020 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first month, in the seventh day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

030:021 Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.

030:022 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.

030:023 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will

disperse them through the countries.

030:024 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put my sword in his hand: but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded man.

030:025 But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.

030:026 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the countries; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

031:001 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

031:002 Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Whom art thou like in thy greatness?

031:003 Behold, the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.

031:004 The waters made him great, the deep set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.

031:005 Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth.

031:006 All the fowls of heaven made their nests in his boughs, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.

031:007 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters.

031:008 The cedars in the garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his boughs, and the chestnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in the garden of God was like unto him in his beauty.

031:009 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, envied him.

031:010 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height;

031:011 I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of

the heathen; he shall surely deal with him: I have driven him out for his wickedness.

031:012 And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him.

031:013 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches:

031:014 To the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height, neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees stand up in their height, all that drink water: for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit.

031:015 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when he went down to the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: and I caused Lebanon to mourn for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him.

031:016 I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.

031:017 They also went down into hell with him unto them that be slain with the sword; and they that were his arm, that dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen.

031:018 To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that be slain by the sword. This is Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

032:001 And it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

032:002 Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him, Thou art like a young lion of the nations, and thou art as a whale in the seas: and thou camest forth with thy rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their rivers.

032:003 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will therefore spread out my net over

thee with a company of many people; and they shall bring thee up in my net.

032:004 Then will I leave thee upon the land, I will cast thee forth upon the open field, and will cause all the fowls of the heaven to remain upon thee, and I will fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee.

032:005 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with thy height.

032:006 I will also water with thy blood the land wherein thou swimmest, even to the mountains; and the rivers shall be full of thee.

032:007 And when I shall put thee out, I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.

032:008 All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, saith the Lord GOD.

032:009 I will also vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.

032:010 Yea, I will make many people amazed at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at every moment, every man for his own life, in the day of thy fall.

032:011 For thus saith the Lord GOD; The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee.

032:012 By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations, all of them: and they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shall be destroyed.

032:013 I will destroy also all the beasts thereof from beside the great waters; neither shall the foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.

032:014 Then will I make their waters deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil, saith the Lord GOD.

032:015 When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate, and the country shall be destitute of that whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, then shall they know that I am the LORD.

032:016 This is the lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations shall lament her: they shall lament for her, even for Egypt, and for all her multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

032:017 It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

032:018 Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and cast them down,

- even her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into the pit.
- 032:019 Whom dost thou pass in beauty? go down, and be thou laid with the uncircumcised.
- 032:020 They shall fall in the midst of them that are slain by the sword: she is delivered to the sword: draw her and all her multitudes.
- 032:021 The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of hell with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword.
- 032:022 Asshur is there and all her company: his graves are about him: all of them slain, fallen by the sword:
- 032:023 Whose graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave: all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which caused terror in the land of the living.
- 032:024 There is Elam and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which caused their terror in the land of the living; yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit.
- 032:025 They have set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her multitude: her graves are round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword: though their terror was caused in the land of the living, yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit: he is put in the midst of them that be slain.
- 032:026 There is Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her graves are round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though they caused their terror in the land of the living.
- 032:027 And they shall not lie with the mighty that are fallen of the uncircumcised, which are gone down to hell with their weapons of war: and they have laid their swords under their heads, but their iniquities shall be upon their bones, though they were the terror of the mighty in the land of the living.
- 032:028 Yea, thou shalt be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised, and shalt lie with them that are slain with the sword.
- 032:029 There is Edom, her kings, and all her princes, which with their might are laid by them that were slain by the sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go down to the pit.
- 032:030 There be the princes of the north, all of them, and all the Zidonians, which are gone down with the slain; with their terror

they are ashamed of their might; and they lie uncircumcised with them that be slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that go down to the pit.

032:031 Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be comforted over all his multitude, even Pharaoh and all his army slain by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

032:032 For I have caused my terror in the land of the living: and he shall be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that are slain with the sword, even Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

033:001 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

033:002 Son of man, speak to the children of thy people, and say unto them, When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their watchman:

033:003 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

033:004 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.

033:005 He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.

033:006 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

033:007 So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me.

033:008 When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

033:009 Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

033:010 Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying, If our transgressions and our sins be upon us, and we pine away in them, how should we then live?

033:011 Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in

the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

033:012 Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his righteousness in the day that he sinneth.

033:013 When I shall say to the righteous, that he shall surely live; if he trust to his own righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it.

033:014 Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right;

033:015 If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.

033:016 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.

033:017 Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them, their way is not equal.

033:018 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, he shall even die thereby.

033:019 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

033:020 Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways.

033:021 And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the tenth month, in the fifth day of the month, that one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying, The city is smitten.

033:022 Now the hand of the LORD was upon me in the evening, afore he that was escaped came; and had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; and my mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb.

033:023 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

033:024 Son of man, they that inhabit those wastes of the land of Israel speak, saying, Abraham was one, and he inherited the land: but we are many; the land is given us for inheritance.

033:025 Wherefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Ye eat with the blood, and lift up your eyes toward your idols, and shed blood: and shall ye possess the land?

033:026 Ye stand upon your sword, ye work abomination, and ye defile every one his neighbour's wife: and shall ye possess the land?

033:027 Say thou thus unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; As I live, surely they that are in the wastes shall fall by the sword, and him that is in the open field will I give to the beasts to be devoured, and they that be in the forts and in the caves shall die of the pestilence.

033:028 For I will lay the land most desolate, and the pomp of her strength shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through.

033:029 Then shall they know that I am the LORD, when I have laid the land most desolate because of all their abominations which they have committed.

033:030 Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD.

033:031 And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as my people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness.

033:032 And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not.

033:033 And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them.

034:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

034:002 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

034:003 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

034:004 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven

away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

034:005 And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

034:006 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them.

034:007 Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

034:008 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;

034:009 Therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

034:010 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.

034:011 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.

034:012 As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.

034:013 And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.

034:014 I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.

034:015 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.

034:016 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment.

034:017 And as for you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I

judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats.

034:018 Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?

034:019 And as for my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.

034:020 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.

034:021 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;

034:022 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.

034:023 And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.

034:024 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken it.

034:025 And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.

034:026 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.

034:027 And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.

034:028 And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid.

034:029 And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.

034:030 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord GOD.

034:031 And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord GOD.

035:001 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

035:002 Son of man, set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it,

035:003 And say unto it, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O mount Seir, I am against thee, and I will stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make thee most desolate.

035:004 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

035:005 Because thou hast had a perpetual hatred, and hast shed the blood of the children of Israel by the force of the sword in the time of their calamity, in the time that their iniquity had an end:

035:006 Therefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood shall pursue thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee.

035:007 Thus will I make mount Seir most desolate, and cut off from it him that passeth out and him that returneth.

035:008 And I will fill his mountains with his slain men: in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword.

035:009 I will make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not return: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

035:010 Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the LORD was there:

035:011 Therefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will even do according to thine anger, and according to thine envy which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and I will make myself known among them, when I have judged thee.

035:012 And thou shalt know that I am the LORD, and that I have heard all thy blasphemies which thou hast spoken against the mountains of Israel, saying, They are laid desolate, they are given us to consume.

035:013 Thus with your mouth ye have boasted against me, and have multiplied your words against me: I have heard them.

035:014 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee desolate.

035:015 As thou didst rejoice at the inheritance of the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so will I do unto thee: thou shalt be

desolate, O mount Seir, and all Idumea, even all of it: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

036:001 Also, thou son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD:

036:002 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the enemy hath said against you, Aha, even the ancient high places are ours in possession:

036:003 Therefore prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they have made you desolate, and swallowed you up on every side, that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen, and ye are taken up in the lips of talkers, and are an infamy of the people:

036:004 Therefore, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which became a prey and derision to the residue of the heathen that are round about;

036:005 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen, and against all Idumea, which have appointed my land into their possession with the joy of all their heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prey.

036:006 Prophecy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury, because ye have borne the shame of the heathen:

036:007 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I have lifted up mine hand, Surely the heathen that are about you, they shall bear their shame.

036:008 But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come.

036:009 For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown:

036:010 And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded:

036:011 And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better unto you than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

036:012 Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, even my people Israel; and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth bereave them of men.

036:013 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they say unto you, Thou land devourest up men, and hast bereaved thy nations:

036:014 Therefore thou shalt devour men no more, neither bereave thy nations any more, saith the Lord GOD.

036:015 Neither will I cause men to hear in thee the shame of the heathen any more, neither shalt thou bear the reproach of the people any more, neither shalt thou cause thy nations to fall any more, saith the Lord GOD.

036:016 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

036:017 Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman.

036:018 Wherefore I poured my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols wherewith they had polluted it:

036:019 And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.

036:020 And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them, These are the people of the LORD, and are gone forth out of his land.

036:021 But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went.

036:022 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went.

036:023 And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes.

036:024 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.

036:025 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

036:026 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I

will give you an heart of flesh.

036:027 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

036:028 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

036:029 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

036:030 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen.

036:031 Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.

036:032 Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel.

036:033 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.

036:034 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.

036:035 And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become fenced, and are inhabited.

036:036 Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate: I the LORD have spoken it, and I will do it.

036:037 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will yet for this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.

036:038 As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

037:001 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,

037:002 And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry.

037:003 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest.

037:004 Again he said unto me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

037:005 Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:

037:006 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

037:007 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

037:008 And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them.

037:009 Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

037:010 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

037:011 Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.

037:012 Therefore prophecy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

037:013 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,

037:014 And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken it, and performed it, saith the LORD.

037:015 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

037:016 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim and for all the house of Israel his companions:

037:017 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.

037:018 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these?

037:019 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

037:020 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

037:021 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

037:022 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all.

037:023 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God.

037:024 And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.

037:025 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David shall be their prince for ever.

037:026 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

037:027 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

037:028 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

038:001 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

038:002 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,

038:003 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

038:004 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will

bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

038:005 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

038:006 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee.

038:007 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

038:008 After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.

038:009 Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

038:010 Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought:

038:011 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,

038:012 To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land.

038:013 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

038:014 Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?

038:015 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:

038:016 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to

cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.

038:017 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them?

038:018 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face.

038:019 For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

038:020 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

038:021 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.

038:022 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

038:023 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the LORD.

039:001 Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

039:002 And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

039:003 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

039:004 Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

039:005 Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

039:006 And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

039:007 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.

039:008 Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this is the day whereof I have spoken.

039:009 And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the handstaves, and the spears, and they shall burn them with fire seven years:

039:010 So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down any out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord GOD.

039:011 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the noses of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of Hamongog.

039:012 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.

039:013 Yea, all the people of the land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord GOD.

039:014 And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.

039:015 And the passengers that pass through the land, when any seeth a man's bone, then shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamongog.

039:016 And also the name of the city shall be Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.

039:017 And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my

sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

039:018 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

039:019 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

039:020 Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord GOD.

039:021 And I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them.

039:022 So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day and forward.

039:023 And the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.

039:024 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.

039:025 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name;

039:026 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made them afraid.

039:027 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations;

039:028 Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.

039:029 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

040:001 In the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither.

040:002 In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me upon a very high mountain, by which was as the frame of a city on the south.

040:003 And he brought me thither, and, behold, there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate.

040:004 And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thine heart upon all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew them unto thee art thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.

040:005 And behold a wall on the outside of the house round about, and in the man's hand a measuring reed of six cubits long by the cubit and an hand breadth: so he measured the breadth of the building, one reed; and the height, one reed.

040:006 Then came he unto the gate which looketh toward the east, and went up the stairs thereof, and measured the threshold of the gate, which was one reed broad; and the other threshold of the gate, which was one reed broad.

040:007 And every little chamber was one reed long, and one reed broad; and between the little chambers were five cubits; and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within was one reed.

040:008 He measured also the porch of the gate within, one reed.

040:009 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the posts thereof, two cubits; and the porch of the gate was inward.

040:010 And the little chambers of the gate eastward were three on this side, and three on that side; they three were of one measure: and the posts had one measure on this side and on that side.

040:011 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate, ten cubits; and the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.

040:012 The space also before the little chambers was one cubit on this side, and the space was one cubit on that side: and the little chambers were six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.

040:013 He measured then the gate from the roof of one little chamber to the roof of another: the breadth was five and twenty cubits, door against door.

040:014 He made also posts of threescore cubits, even unto the post of the court round about the gate.

040:015 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of the

porch of the inner gate were fifty cubits.

040:016 And there were narrow windows to the little chambers, and to their posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the arches: and windows were round about inward: and upon each post were palm trees.

040:017 Then brought he me into the outward court, and, lo, there were chambers, and a pavement made for the court round about: thirty chambers were upon the pavement.

040:018 And the pavement by the side of the gates over against the length of the gates was the lower pavement.

040:019 Then he measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront of the inner court without, an hundred cubits eastward and northward.

040:020 And the gate of the outward court that looked toward the north, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

040:021 And the little chambers thereof were three on this side and three on that side; and the posts thereof and the arches thereof were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

040:022 And their windows, and their arches, and their palm trees, were after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the east; and they went up unto it by seven steps; and the arches thereof were before them.

040:023 And the gate of the inner court was over against the gate toward the north, and toward the east; and he measured from gate to gate an hundred cubits.

040:024 After that he brought me toward the south, and behold a gate toward the south: and he measured the posts thereof and the arches thereof according to these measures.

040:025 And there were windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those windows: the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

040:026 And there were seven steps to go up to it, and the arches thereof were before them: and it had palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the posts thereof.

040:027 And there was a gate in the inner court toward the south: and he measured from gate to gate toward the south an hundred cubits.

040:028 And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he measured the south gate according to these measures;

040:029 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the

arches thereof, according to these measures: and there were windows in it and in the arches thereof round about: it was fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.

040:030 And the arches round about were five and twenty cubits long, and five cubits broad.

040:031 And the arches thereof were toward the utter court; and palm trees were upon the posts thereof: and the going up to it had eight steps.

040:032 And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate according to these measures.

040:033 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, were according to these measures: and there were windows therein and in the arches thereof round about: it was fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.

040:034 And the arches thereof were toward the outward court; and palm trees were upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it had eight steps.

040:035 And he brought me to the north gate, and measured it according to these measures;

040:036 The little chambers thereof, the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, and the windows to it round about: the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

040:037 And the posts thereof were toward the utter court; and palm trees were upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it had eight steps.

040:038 And the chambers and the entries thereof were by the posts of the gates, where they washed the burnt offering.

040:039 And in the porch of the gate were two tables on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay thereon the burnt offering and the sin offering and the trespass offering.

040:040 And at the side without, as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, were two tables; and on the other side, which was at the porch of the gate, were two tables.

040:041 Four tables were on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight tables, whereupon they slew their sacrifices.

040:042 And the four tables were of hewn stone for the burnt offering, of a cubit and an half long, and a cubit and an half broad, and one cubit high: whereupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they slew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.

040:043 And within were hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables was the flesh of the offering.

040:044 And without the inner gate were the chambers of the singers in the inner court, which was at the side of the north gate; and their prospect was toward the south: one at the side of the east gate having the prospect toward the north.

040:045 And he said unto me, This chamber, whose prospect is toward the south, is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the house.

040:046 And the chamber whose prospect is toward the north is for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar: these are the sons of Zadok among the sons of Levi, which come near to the LORD to minister unto him.

040:047 So he measured the court, an hundred cubits long, and an hundred cubits broad, foursquare; and the altar that was before the house.

040:048 And he brought me to the porch of the house, and measured each post of the porch, five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side: and the breadth of the gate was three cubits on this side, and three cubits on that side.

040:049 The length of the porch was twenty cubits, and the breadth eleven cubits, and he brought me by the steps whereby they went up to it: and there were pillars by the posts, one on this side, and another on that side.

041:001 Afterward he brought me to the temple, and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, which was the breadth of the tabernacle.

041:002 And the breadth of the door was ten cubits; and the sides of the door were five cubits on the one side, and five cubits on the other side: and he measured the length thereof, forty cubits: and the breadth, twenty cubits.

041:003 Then went he inward, and measured the post of the door, two cubits; and the door, six cubits; and the breadth of the door, seven cubits.

041:004 So he measured the length thereof, twenty cubits; and the breadth, twenty cubits, before the temple: and he said unto me, This is the most holy place.

041:005 After he measured the wall of the house, six cubits; and the breadth of every side chamber, four cubits, round about the house on every side.

041:006 And the side chambers were three, one over another, and thirty in

order; and they entered into the wall which was of the house for the side chambers round about, that they might have hold, but they had not hold in the wall of the house.

041:007 And there was an enlarging, and a winding about still upward to the side chambers: for the winding about of the house went still upward round about the house: therefore the breadth of the house was still upward, and so increased from the lowest chamber to the highest by the midst.

041:008 I saw also the height of the house round about: the foundations of the side chambers were a full reed of six great cubits.

041:009 The thickness of the wall, which was for the side chamber without, was five cubits: and that which was left was the place of the side chambers that were within.

041:010 And between the chambers was the wideness of twenty cubits round about the house on every side.

041:011 And the doors of the side chambers were toward the place that was left, one door toward the north, and another door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that was left was five cubits round about.

041:012 Now the building that was before the separate place at the end toward the west was seventy cubits broad; and the wall of the building was five cubits thick round about, and the length thereof ninety cubits.

041:013 So he measured the house, an hundred cubits long; and the separate place, and the building, with the walls thereof, an hundred cubits long;

041:014 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an hundred cubits.

041:015 And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which was behind it, and the galleries thereof on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits, with the inner temple, and the porches of the court;

041:016 The door posts, and the narrow windows, and the galleries round about on their three stories, over against the door, cieled with wood round about, and from the ground up to the windows, and the windows were covered;

041:017 To that above the door, even unto the inner house, and without, and by all the wall round about within and without, by measure.

041:018 And it was made with cherubims and palm trees, so that a palm tree was between a cherub and a cherub; and every cherub had

two faces;

041:019 So that the face of a man was toward the palm tree on the one side, and the face of a young lion toward the palm tree on the other side: it was made through all the house round about.

041:020 From the ground unto above the door were cherubims and palm trees made, and on the wall of the temple.

041:021 The posts of the temple were squared, and the face of the sanctuary; the appearance of the one as the appearance of the other.

041:022 The altar of wood was three cubits high, and the length thereof two cubits; and the corners thereof, and the length thereof, and the walls thereof, were of wood: and he said unto me, This is the table that is before the LORD.

041:023 And the temple and the sanctuary had two doors.

041:024 And the doors had two leaves apiece, two turning leaves; two leaves for the one door, and two leaves for the other door.

041:025 And there were made on them, on the doors of the temple, cherubims and palm trees, like as were made upon the walls; and there were thick planks upon the face of the porch without.

041:026 And there were narrow windows and palm trees on the one side and on the other side, on the sides of the porch, and upon the side chambers of the house, and thick planks.

042:001 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, the way toward the north: and he brought me into the chamber that was over against the separate place, and which was before the building toward the north.

042:002 Before the length of an hundred cubits was the north door, and the breadth was fifty cubits.

042:003 Over against the twenty cubits which were for the inner court, and over against the pavement which was for the utter court, was gallery against gallery in three stories.

042:004 And before the chambers was a walk to ten cubits breadth inward, a way of one cubit; and their doors toward the north.

042:005 Now the upper chambers were shorter: for the galleries were higher than these, than the lower, and than the middlemost of the building.

042:006 For they were in three stories, but had not pillars as the pillars of the courts: therefore the building was straitened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.

042:007 And the wall that was without over against the chambers, toward

the utter court on the forepart of the chambers, the length thereof was fifty cubits.

042:008 For the length of the chambers that were in the utter court was fifty cubits: and, lo, before the temple were an hundred cubits.

042:009 And from under these chambers was the entry on the east side, as one goeth into them from the utter court.

042:010 The chambers were in the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, over against the separate place, and over against the building.

042:011 And the way before them was like the appearance of the chambers which were toward the north, as long as they, and as broad as they: and all their goings out were both according to their fashions, and according to their doors.

042:012 And according to the doors of the chambers that were toward the south was a door in the head of the way, even the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth into them.

042:013 Then said he unto me, The north chambers and the south chambers, which are before the separate place, they be holy chambers, where the priests that approach unto the LORD shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; for the place is holy.

042:014 When the priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the holy place into the utter court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they are holy; and shall put on other garments, and shall approach to those things which are for the people.

042:015 Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth toward the gate whose prospect is toward the east, and measured it round about.

042:016 He measured the east side with the measuring reed, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

042:017 He measured the north side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

042:018 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed.

042:019 He turned about to the west side, and measured five hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

042:020 He measured it by the four sides: it had a wall round about, five hundred reeds long, and five hundred broad, to make a

separation between the sanctuary and the profane place.

043:001 Afterward he brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh toward the east:

043:002 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.

043:003 And it was according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, even according to the vision that I saw when I came to destroy the city: and the visions were like the vision that I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face.

043:004 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect is toward the east.

043:005 So the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house.

043:006 And I heard him speaking unto me out of the house; and the man stood by me.

043:007 And he said unto me, Son of man, the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever, and my holy name, shall the house of Israel no more defile, neither they, nor their kings, by their whoredom, nor by the carcasses of their kings in their high places.

043:008 In their setting of their threshold by my thresholds, and their post by my posts, and the wall between me and them, they have even defiled my holy name by their abominations that they have committed: wherefore I have consumed them in mine anger.

043:009 Now let them put away their whoredom, and the carcasses of their kings, far from me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.

043:010 Thou son of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the pattern.

043:011 And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, shew them the form of the house, and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comings in thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws thereof: and write it in their sight, that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them.

043:012 This is the law of the house; Upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the house.

043:013 And these are the measures of the altar after the cubits: The cubit

is a cubit and an hand breadth; even the bottom shall be a cubit, and the breadth a cubit, and the border thereof by the edge thereof round about shall be a span: and this shall be the higher place of the altar.

043:014 And from the bottom upon the ground even to the lower settle shall be two cubits, and the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser settle even to the greater settle shall be four cubits, and the breadth one cubit.

043:015 So the altar shall be four cubits; and from the altar and upward shall be four horns.

043:016 And the altar shall be twelve cubits long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof.

043:017 And the settle shall be fourteen cubits long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof; and the border about it shall be half a cubit; and the bottom thereof shall be a cubit about; and his stairs shall look toward the east.

043:018 And he said unto me, Son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; These are the ordinances of the altar in the day when they shall make it, to offer burnt offerings thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon.

043:019 And thou shalt give to the priests the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which approach unto me, to minister unto me, saith the Lord GOD, a young bullock for a sin offering.

043:020 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put it on the four horns of it, and on the four corners of the settle, and upon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and purge it.

043:021 Thou shalt take the bullock also of the sin offering, and he shall burn it in the appointed place of the house, without the sanctuary.

043:022 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goats without blemish for a sin offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse it with the bullock.

043:023 When thou hast made an end of cleansing it, thou shalt offer a young bullock without blemish, and a ram out of the flock without blemish.

043:024 And thou shalt offer them before the LORD, and the priests shall cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up for a burnt offering unto the LORD.

043:025 Seven days shalt thou prepare every day a goat for a sin offering: they shall also prepare a young bullock, and a ram out of the flock, without blemish.

043:026 Seven days shall they purge the altar and purify it; and they shall

consecrate themselves.

043:027 And when these days are expired, it shall be, that upon the eighth day, and so forward, the priests shall make your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your peace offerings; and I will accept you, saith the Lord GOD.

044:001 Then he brought me back the way of the gate of the outward sanctuary which looketh toward the east; and it was shut.

044:002 Then said the LORD unto me; This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the LORD, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut.

044:003 It is for the prince; the prince, he shall sit in it to eat bread before the LORD; he shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate, and shall go out by the way of the same.

044:004 Then brought he me the way of the north gate before the house: and I looked, and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD: and I fell upon my face.

044:005 And the LORD said unto me, Son of man, mark well, and behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of the LORD, and all the laws thereof; and mark well the entering in of the house, with every going forth of the sanctuary.

044:006 And thou shalt say to the rebellious, even to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O ye house of Israel, let it suffice you of all your abominations,

044:007 In that ye have brought into my sanctuary strangers, uncircumcised in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in my sanctuary, to pollute it, even my house, when ye offer my bread, the fat and the blood, and they have broken my covenant because of all your abominations.

044:008 And ye have not kept the charge of mine holy things: but ye have set keepers of my charge in my sanctuary for yourselves.

044:009 Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that is among the children of Israel.

044:010 And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity.

044:011 Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, having charge at the gates of the house, and ministering to the house: they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people, and they shall

stand before them to minister unto them.

044:012 Because they ministered unto them before their idols, and caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquity; therefore have I lifted up mine hand against them, saith the Lord GOD, and they shall bear their iniquity.

044:013 And they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me, nor to come near to any of my holy things, in the most holy place: but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed.

044:014 But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein.

044:015 But the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD:

044:016 They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge.

044:017 And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.

044:018 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; they shall not gird themselves with any thing that causeth sweat.

044:019 And when they go forth into the utter court, even into the utter court to the people, they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the holy chambers, and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the people with their garments.

044:020 Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only poll their heads.

044:021 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court.

044:022 Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is put away: but they shall take maidens of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow that had a priest before.

044:023 And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

044:024 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; and they shall judge it according to my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall hallow my sabbaths.

044:025 And they shall come at no dead person to defile themselves: but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister that hath had no husband, they may defile themselves.

044:026 And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.

044:027 And in the day that he goeth into the sanctuary, unto the inner court, to minister in the sanctuary, he shall offer his sin offering, saith the Lord GOD.

044:028 And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: I am their inheritance: and ye shall give them no possession in Israel: I am their possession.

044:029 They shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering: and every dedicated thing in Israel shall be theirs.

044:030 And the first of all the firstfruits of all things, and every oblation of all, of every sort of your oblations, shall be the priest's: ye shall also give unto the priest the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.

044:031 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is dead of itself, or torn, whether it be fowl or beast.

045:001 Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall offer an oblation unto the LORD, an holy portion of the land: the length shall be the length of five and twenty thousand reeds, and the breadth shall be ten thousand. This shall be holy in all the borders thereof round about.

045:002 Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred in length, with five hundred in breadth, square round about; and fifty cubits round about for the suburbs thereof.

045:003 And of this measure shalt thou measure the length of five and twenty thousand, and the breadth of ten thousand: and in it shall be the sanctuary and the most holy place.

045:004 The holy portion of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses, and an holy place for the sanctuary.

045:005 And the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth shall also the Levites, the ministers of the house, have

for themselves, for a possession for twenty chambers.

045:006 And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, over against the oblation of the holy portion: it shall be for the whole house of Israel.

045:007 And a portion shall be for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the oblation of the holy portion, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the holy portion, and before the possession of the city, from the west side westward, and from the east side eastward: and the length shall be over against one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border.

045:008 In the land shall be his possession in Israel: and my princes shall no more oppress my people; and the rest of the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.

045:009 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence and spoil, and execute judgment and justice, take away your exactions from my people, saith the Lord GOD.

045:010 Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.

045:011 The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer.

045:012 And the shekel shall be twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh.

045:013 This is the oblation that ye shall offer; the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of barley:

045:014 Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, ye shall offer the tenth part of a bath out of the cor, which is an homer of ten baths; for ten baths are an homer:

045:015 And one lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel; for a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for peace offerings, to make reconciliation for them, saith the Lord GOD.

045:016 All the people of the land shall give this oblation for the prince in Israel.

045:017 And it shall be the prince's part to give burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths, in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt

offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel.

045:018 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the first month, in the first day of the month, thou shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary:

045:019 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put it upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court.

045:020 And so thou shalt do the seventh day of the month for every one that erreth, and for him that is simple: so shall ye reconcile the house.

045:021 In the first month, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.

045:022 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock for a sin offering.

045:023 And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the LORD, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily for a sin offering.

045:024 And he shall prepare a meat offering of an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.

045:025 In the seventh month, in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the feast of the seven days, according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.

046:001 Thus saith the Lord GOD; The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.

046:002 And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening.

046:003 Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD in the sabbaths and in the new moons.

046:004 And the burnt offering that the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day shall be six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish.

046:005 And the meat offering shall be an ephah for a ram, and the meat offering for the lambs as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

046:006 And in the day of the new moon it shall be a young bullock without blemish, and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.

046:007 And he shall prepare a meat offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

046:008 And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of that gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.

046:009 But when the people of the land shall come before the LORD in the solemn feasts, he that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship shall go out by the way of the south gate; and he that entereth by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it.

046:010 And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in; and when they go forth, shall go forth.

046:011 And in the feasts and in the solemnities the meat offering shall be an ephah to a bullock, and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

046:012 Now when the prince shall prepare a voluntary burnt offering or peace offerings voluntarily unto the LORD, one shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east, and he shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, as he did on the sabbath day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth one shall shut the gate.

046:013 Thou shalt daily prepare a burnt offering unto the LORD of a lamb of the first year without blemish: thou shalt prepare it every morning.

046:014 And thou shalt prepare a meat offering for it every morning, the sixth part of an ephah, and the third part of an hin of oil, to temper with the fine flour; a meat offering continually by a perpetual ordinance unto the LORD.

046:015 Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering, and the oil, every morning for a continual burnt offering.

046:016 Thus saith the Lord GOD; If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, the inheritance thereof shall be his sons'; it shall be their possession by inheritance.

046:017 But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it

shall be his to the year of liberty; after it shall return to the prince: but his inheritance shall be his sons' for them.

046:018 Moreover the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance by oppression, to thrust them out of their possession; but he shall give his sons inheritance out of his own possession: that my people be not scattered every man from his possession.

046:019 After he brought me through the entry, which was at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers of the priests, which looked toward the north: and, behold, there was a place on the two sides westward.

046:020 Then said he unto me, This is the place where the priests shall boil the trespass offering and the sin offering, where they shall bake the meat offering; that they bear them not out into the utter court, to sanctify the people.

046:021 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court; and, behold, in every corner of the court there was a court.

046:022 In the four corners of the court there were courts joined of forty cubits long and thirty broad: these four corners were of one measure.

046:023 And there was a row of building round about in them, round about them four, and it was made with boiling places under the rows round about.

046:024 Then said he unto me, These are the places of them that boil, where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifice of the people.

047:001 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.

047:002 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side.

047:003 And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles.

047:004 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees. Again he measured a

thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins.

047:005 Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

047:006 And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river.

047:007 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other.

047:008 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.

047:009 And it shall come to pass, that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

047:010 And it shall come to pass, that the fishers shall stand upon it from Engedi even unto Eneglaim; they shall be a place to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many.

047:011 But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt.

047:012 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine.

047:013 Thus saith the Lord GOD; This shall be the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph shall have two portions.

047:014 And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: concerning the which I lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance.

047:015 And this shall be the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad;

047:016 Hamath, Berothah, Sibram, which is between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; Hazarhatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran.

047:017 And the border from the sea shall be Hazarenan, the border of

Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath.
And this is the north side.

047:018 And the east side ye shall measure from Hauran, and from
Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel by
Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And this is the east
side.

047:019 And the south side southward, from Tamar even to the waters of
strife in Kadesh, the river to the great sea. And this is the south
side southward.

047:020 The west side also shall be the great sea from the border, till a
man come over against Hamath. This is the west side.

047:021 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of
Israel.

047:022 And it shall come to pass, that ye shall divide it by lot for an
inheritance unto you, and to the strangers that sojourn among
you, which shall beget children among you: and they shall be unto
you as born in the country among the children of Israel; they shall
have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.

047:023 And it shall come to pass, that in what tribe the stranger
sojourneth, there shall ye give him his inheritance, saith the Lord
GOD.

048:001 Now these are the names of the tribes. From the north end to the
coast of the way of Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazarenan,
the border of Damascus northward, to the coast of Hamath; for
these are his sides east and west; a portion for Dan.

048:002 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, a
portion for Asher.

048:003 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west
side, a portion for Naphtali.

048:004 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west
side, a portion for Manasseh.

048:005 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west
side, a portion for Ephraim.

048:006 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the
west side, a portion for Reuben.

048:007 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west
side, a portion for Judah.

048:008 And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side,
shall be the offering which ye shall offer of five and twenty
thousand reeds in breadth, and in length as one of the other

parts, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it.

048:009 The oblation that ye shall offer unto the LORD shall be of five and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

048:010 And for them, even for the priests, shall be this holy oblation; toward the north five and twenty thousand in length, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.

048:011 It shall be for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok; which have kept my charge, which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the Levites went astray.

048:012 And this oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them a thing most holy by the border of the Levites.

048:013 And over against the border of the priests the Levites shall have five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length shall be five and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand.

048:014 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land: for it is holy unto the LORD.

048:015 And the five thousand, that are left in the breadth over against the five and twenty thousand, shall be a profane place for the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs: and the city shall be in the midst thereof.

048:016 And these shall be the measures thereof; the north side four thousand and five hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and on the east side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred.

048:017 And the suburbs of the city shall be toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the west two hundred and fifty.

048:018 And the residue in length over against the oblation of the holy portion shall be ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward: and it shall be over against the oblation of the holy portion; and the increase thereof shall be for food unto them that serve the city.

048:019 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of Israel.

048:020 All the oblation shall be five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city.

048:021 And the residue shall be for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation, and of the possession of the city, over against the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border, and westward over against the five and twenty thousand toward the west border, over against the portions for the prince: and it shall be the holy oblation; and the sanctuary of the house shall be in the midst thereof.

048:022 Moreover from the possession of the Levites, and from the possession of the city, being in the midst of that which is the prince's, between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin, shall be for the prince.

048:023 As for the rest of the tribes, from the east side unto the west side, Benjamin shall have a portion.

048:024 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, Simeon shall have a portion.

048:025 And by the border of Simeon, from the east side unto the west side, Issachar a portion.

048:026 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, Zebulun a portion.

048:027 And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side, Gad a portion.

048:028 And by the border of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even from Tamar unto the waters of strife in Kadesh, and to the river toward the great sea.

048:029 This is the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these are their portions, saith the Lord GOD.

048:030 And these are the goings out of the city on the north side, four thousand and five hundred measures.

048:031 And the gates of the city shall be after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, one gate of Levi.

048:032 And at the east side four thousand and five hundred: and three gates; and one gate of Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan.

048:033 And at the south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and three gates; one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun.

048:034 At the west side four thousand and five hundred, with their three gates; one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali.

048:035 It was round about eighteen thousand measures: and the name of the city from that day shall be, The LORD is there.

Daniel

- 001:001 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.
- 001:002 And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God: which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.
- 001:003 And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring certain of the children of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the princes;
- 001:004 Children in whom was no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.
- 001:005 And the king appointed them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of the wine which he drank: so nourishing them three years, that at the end thereof they might stand before the king.
- 001:006 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:
- 001:007 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abednego.
- 001:008 But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.
- 001:009 Now God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs.
- 001:010 And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse liking than the children which are of your sort? then shall ye make me endanger my head to the king.
- 001:011 Then said Daniel to Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,
- 001:012 Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us

pulse to eat, and water to drink.

001:013 Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat: and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.

001:014 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

001:015 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.

001:016 Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse.

001:017 As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.

001:018 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

001:019 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king.

001:020 And in all matters of wisdom and understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.

001:021 And Daniel continued even unto the first year of king Cyrus.

002:001 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him.

002:002 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

002:003 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to know the dream.

002:004 Then spake the Chaldeans to the king in Syriack, O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.

002:005 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill.

002:006 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and rewards and great honour: therefore shew

me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.

002:007 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

002:008 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would gain the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

002:009 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, there is but one decree for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof.

002:010 The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore there is no king, lord, nor ruler, that asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.

002:011 And it is a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.

002:012 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

002:013 And the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain.

002:014 Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon:

002:015 He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why is the decree so hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel.

002:016 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

002:017 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:

002:018 That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that Daniel and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.

002:019 Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

002:020 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:

002:021 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and

knowledge to them that know understanding:
002:022 He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.
002:023 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast now made known unto us the king's matter.
002:024 Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; Destroy not the wise men of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation.
002:025 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, I have found a man of the captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation.
002:026 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, Art thou able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?
002:027 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;
002:028 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;
002:029 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came into thy mind upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.
002:030 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have more than any living, but for their sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the king, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.
002:031 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof was terrible.
002:032 This image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,
002:033 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.
002:034 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

002:035 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

002:036 This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

002:037 Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

002:038 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou art this head of gold.

002:039 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

002:040 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

002:041 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

002:042 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

002:043 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

002:044 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

002:045 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

002:046 Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.

002:047 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth it is, that your

God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldst reveal this secret.

002:048 Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon.

002:049 Then Daniel requested of the king, and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel sat in the gate of the king.

003:001 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

003:002 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

003:003 Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

003:004 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages,

003:005 That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

003:006 And whoso falleth not down and worshipping shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

003:007 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

003:008 Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.

003:009 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for ever.

003:010 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and

dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:

003:011 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

003:012 There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

003:013 Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before the king.

003:014 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?

003:015 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; well: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?

003:016 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.

003:017 If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.

003:018 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

003:019 Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: therefore he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.

003:020 And he commanded the most mighty men that were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, and to cast them into the burning fiery furnace.

003:021 Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

003:022 Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the flames of the fire slew those men that

took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

003:023 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

003:024 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.

003:025 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.

003:026 Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, and spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come hither. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

003:027 And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

003:028 Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.

003:029 Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.

003:030 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon.

004:001 Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

004:002 I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward me.

004:003 How great are his signs! and how mighty are his wonders! his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation.

004:004 I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:

004:005 I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled me.

004:006 Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.

004:007 Then came in the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers: and I told the dream before them; but they did not make known unto me the interpretation thereof.

004:008 But at the last Daniel came in before me, whose name was Belteshazzar, according to the name of my God, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods: and before him I told the dream, saying,

004:009 O Belteshazzar, master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation thereof.

004:010 Thus were the visions of mine head in my bed; I saw, and behold a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof was great.

004:011 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:

004:012 The leaves thereof were fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meat for all: the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh was fed of it.

004:013 I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a watcher and an holy one came down from heaven;

004:014 He cried aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

004:015 Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

004:016 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him.

004:017 This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to

- whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.
- 004:018 This dream I king Nebuchadnezzar have seen. Now thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof, forasmuch as all the wise men of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation: but thou art able; for the spirit of the holy gods is in thee.
- 004:019 Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was astonished for one hour, and his thoughts troubled him. The king spake, and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream be to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.
- 004:020 The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth;
- 004:021 Whose leaves were fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation:
- 004:022 It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.
- 004:023 And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him;
- 004:024 This is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:
- 004:025 That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.
- 004:026 And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule.
- 004:027 Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy

tranquillity.

004:028 All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.

004:029 At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

004:030 The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?

004:031 While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.

004:032 And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

004:033 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

004:034 And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation:

004:035 And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

004:036 At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.

004:037 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

005:001 Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

005:002 Belshazzar, whiles he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had

taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.

005:003 Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them.

005:004 They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.

005:005 In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

005:006 Then the king's countenance was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another.

005:007 The king cried aloud to bring in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. And the king spake, and said to the wise men of Babylon, Whosoever shall read this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain of gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.

005:008 Then came in all the king's wise men: but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.

005:009 Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his countenance was changed in him, and his lords were astonished.

005:010 Now the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords came into the banquet house: and the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:

005:011 There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers;

005:012 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.

005:013 Then was Daniel brought in before the king. And the king spake and said unto Daniel, Art thou that Daniel, which art of the

children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of Jewry?

005:014 I have even heard of thee, that the spirit of the gods is in thee, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.

005:015 And now the wise men, the astrologers, have been brought in before me, that they should read this writing, and make known unto me the interpretation thereof: but they could not shew the interpretation of the thing:

005:016 And I have heard of thee, that thou canst make interpretations, and dissolve doubts: now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation thereof, thou shalt be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain of gold about thy neck, and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdom.

005:017 Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation.

005:018 O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour:

005:019 And for the majesty that he gave him, all people, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down.

005:020 But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him:

005:021 And he was driven from the sons of men; and his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling was with the wild asses: they fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven; till he knew that the most high God ruled in the kingdom of men, and that he appointeth over it whomsoever he will.

005:022 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this;

005:023 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:

005:024 Then was the part of the hand sent from him; and this writing was written.

005:025 And this is the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

005:026 This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

005:027 TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

005:028 PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.

005:029 Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and put a chain of gold about his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

005:030 In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.

005:031 And Darius the Median took the kingdom, being about threescore and two years old.

006:001 It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom an hundred and twenty princes, which should be over the whole kingdom;

006:002 And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel was first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

006:003 Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.

006:004 Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

006:005 Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find it against him concerning the law of his God.

006:006 Then these presidents and princes assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, King Darius, live for ever.

006:007 All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.

006:008 Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians,

which altereth not.

006:009 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

006:010 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.

006:011 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.

006:012 Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree; Hast thou not signed a decree, that every man that shall ask a petition of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.

006:013 Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, which is of the children of the captivity of Judah, regardeth not thee, O king, nor the decree that thou hast signed, but maketh his petition three times a day.

006:014 Then the king, when he heard these words, was sore displeased with himself, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

006:015 Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians is, That no decree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed.

006:016 Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee.

006:017 And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.

006:018 Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were instruments of musick brought before him: and his sleep went from him.

006:019 Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.

006:020 And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: and the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?

006:021 Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.

006:022 My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt.

006:023 Then was the king exceedingly glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

006:024 And the king commanded, and they brought those men which had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; and the lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces or ever they came at the bottom of the den.

006:025 Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

006:026 I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: for he is the living God, and stedfast for ever, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall be even unto the end.

006:027 He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.

006:028 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

007:001 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, and told the sum of the matters.

007:002 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.

007:003 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

007:004 The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

007:005 And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

007:006 After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads;

and dominion was given to it.

007:007 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

007:008 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

007:009 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

007:010 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

007:011 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

007:012 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

007:013 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

007:014 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

007:015 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.

007:016 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

007:017 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.

007:018 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

007:019 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse

from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

007:020 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.

007:021 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

007:022 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

007:023 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

007:024 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

007:025 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

007:026 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

007:027 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

007:028 Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

008:001 In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.

008:002 And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

008:003 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher

came up last.

008:004 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

008:005 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes.

008:006 And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

008:007 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

008:008 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

008:009 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

008:010 And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

008:011 Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down.

008:012 And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

008:013 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

008:014 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

008:015 And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.

008:016 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.

008:017 So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision.

008:018 Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.

008:019 And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.

008:020 The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

008:021 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

008:022 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

008:023 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

008:024 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.

008:025 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

008:026 And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.

008:027 And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it.

009:001 In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;

009:002 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

009:003 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

009:004 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession,
and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the
covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep
his commandments;

009:005 We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done
wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts
and from thy judgments:

009:006 Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which
spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and
to all the people of the land.

009:007 O LORD, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us
confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the
inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and
that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven
them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against
thee.

009:008 O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our
princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee.

009:009 To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we
have rebelled against him;

009:010 Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in
his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

009:011 Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that
they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon
us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of
God, because we have sinned against him.

009:012 And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and
against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great
evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been
done upon Jerusalem.

009:013 As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us:
yet made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we
might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.

009:014 Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it
upon us: for the LORD our God is righteous in all his works which
he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice.

009:015 And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of
the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee
renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.

009:016 O LORD, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let

thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us.

009:017 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.

009:018 O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies.

009:019 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.

009:020 And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God;

009:021 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

009:022 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.

009:023 At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

009:024 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

009:025 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

009:026 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

009:027 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

010:001 In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing was true, but the time appointed was long: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.

010:002 In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks.

010:003 I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.

010:004 And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, which is Hiddekel;

010:005 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain man clothed in linen, whose loins were girded with fine gold of Uphaz:

010:006 His body also was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

010:007 And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.

010:008 Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.

010:009 Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.

010:010 And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands.

010:011 And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling.

010:012 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.

010:013 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

010:014 Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days.

010:015 And when he had spoken such words unto me, I set my face toward the ground, and I became dumb.

010:016 And, behold, one like the similitude of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength.

010:017 For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me.

010:018 Then there came again and touched me one like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me,

010:019 And said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.

010:020 Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come.

010:021 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

011:001 Also I in the first year of Darius the Mede, even I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him.

011:002 And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

011:003 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will.

011:004 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.

011:005 And the king of the south shall be strong, and one of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his

dominion shall be a great dominion.

011:006 And in the end of years they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these times.

011:007 But out of a branch of her roots shall one stand up in his estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail:

011:008 And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, and with their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue more years than the king of the north.

011:009 So the king of the south shall come into his kingdom, and shall return into his own land.

011:010 But his sons shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and one shall certainly come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and be stirred up, even to his fortress.

011:011 And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, even with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into his hand.

011:012 And when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down many ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened by it.

011:013 For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come after certain years with a great army and with much riches.

011:014 And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.

011:015 So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand.

011:016 But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed.

- 011:017 He shall also set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, corrupting her: but she shall not stand on his side, neither be for him.
- 011:018 After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince for his own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause it to turn upon him.
- 011:019 Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and fall, and not be found.
- 011:020 Then shall stand up in his estate a raiser of taxes in the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle.
- 011:021 And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.
- 011:022 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflowed from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.
- 011:023 And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.
- 011:024 He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.
- 011:025 And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.
- 011:026 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.
- 011:027 And both of these kings' hearts shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end shall be at the time appointed.
- 011:028 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart shall be against the holy covenant; and he shall do exploits, and return to his own land.
- 011:029 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.
- 011:030 For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall

be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

011:031 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate.

011:032 And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

011:033 And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, many days.

011:034 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

011:035 And some of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make them white, even to the time of the end: because it is yet for a time appointed.

011:036 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

011:037 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.

011:038 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

011:039 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.

011:040 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

011:041 He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.

011:042 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

011:043 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.

011:044 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

011:045 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

012:001 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

012:002 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

012:003 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

012:004 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

012:005 Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.

012:006 And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?

012:007 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

012:008 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things?

012:009 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

012:010 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked

shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

012:011 And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

012:012 Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

012:013 But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days.

Joel

- 001:001 The word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.
- 001:002 Hear this, ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land.
Hath this been in your days, or even in the days of your fathers?
- 001:003 Tell ye your children of it, and let your children tell their children,
and their children another generation.
- 001:004 That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and
that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and
that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpillar eaten.
- 001:005 Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine,
because of the new wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.
- 001:006 For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without
number, whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the
cheek teeth of a great lion.
- 001:007 He hath laid my vine waste, and barked my fig tree: he hath made
it clean bare, and cast it away; the branches thereof are made
white.
- 001:008 Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her
youth.
- 001:009 The meat offering and the drink offering is cut off from the house of
the LORD; the priests, the LORD's ministers, mourn.
- 001:010 The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the
new wine is dried up, the oil languisheth.
- 001:011 Be ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O ye vinedressers, for
the wheat and for the barley; because the harvest of the field is
perished.
- 001:012 The vine is dried up, and the fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate
tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, even all the trees of
the field, are withered: because joy is withered away from the
sons of men.
- 001:013 Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the
altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for
the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the
house of your God.
- 001:014 Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and
all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your
God, and cry unto the LORD,
- 001:015 Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a
destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

001:016 Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, yea, joy and gladness from the house of our God?

001:017 The seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn is withered.

001:018 How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.

001:019 O LORD, to thee will I cry: for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness, and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.

001:020 The beasts of the field cry also unto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness.

002:001 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

002:002 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.

002:003 A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.

002:004 The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run.

002:005 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.

002:006 Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather blackness.

002:007 They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

002:008 Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and when they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.

002:009 They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.

002:010 The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the

sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:

002:011 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

002:012 Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

002:013 And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

002:014 Who knoweth if he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?

002:015 Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:

002:016 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.

002:017 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

002:018 Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.

002:019 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen:

002:020 But I will remove far off from you the northern army, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath done great things.

002:021 Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.

002:022 Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.

002:023 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your

God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

002:024 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

002:025 And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

002:026 And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.

002:027 And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.

002:028 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

002:029 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

002:030 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

002:031 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come.

002:032 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

003:001 For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem,

003:002 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

003:003 And they have cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they might drink.

003:004 Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompense me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head;

003:005 Because ye have taken my silver and my gold, and have carried into your temples my goodly pleasant things:

003:006 The children also of Judah and the children of Jerusalem have ye sold unto the Grecians, that ye might remove them far from their border.

003:007 Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return your recompence upon your own head:

003:008 And I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people far off: for the LORD hath spoken it.

003:009 Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up:

003:010 Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong.

003:011 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD.

003:012 Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about.

003:013 Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness is great.

003:014 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision.

003:015 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

003:016 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

003:017 So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.

003:018 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth out of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.

003:019 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah,

because they have shed innocent blood in their land.

003:020 But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

003:021 For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.

Song of Solomon

001:001 The song of songs, which is Solomon's.

001:002 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love is better than wine.

001:003 Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.

001:004 Draw me, we will run after thee: the king hath brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: the upright love thee.

001:005 I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

001:006 Look not upon me, because I am black, because the sun hath looked upon me: my mother's children were angry with me; they made me the keeper of the vineyards; but mine own vineyard have I not kept.

001:007 Tell me, O thou whom my soul loveth, where thou feedest, where thou makest thy flock to rest at noon: for why should I be as one that turneth aside by the flocks of thy companions?

001:008 If thou know not, O thou fairest among women, go thy way forth by the footsteps of the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shepherds' tents.

001:009 I have compared thee, O my love, to a company of horses in Pharaoh's chariots.

001:010 Thy cheeks are comely with rows of jewels, thy neck with chains of gold.

001:011 We will make thee borders of gold with studs of silver.

001:012 While the king sitteth at his table, my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof.

001:013 A bundle of myrrh is my well-beloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.

001:014 My beloved is unto me as a cluster of camphire in the vineyards of Engedi.

001:015 Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold, thou art fair; thou hast doves' eyes.

001:016 Behold, thou art fair, my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our bed is green.

001:017 The beams of our house are cedar, and our rafters of fir.

002:001 I am the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys.

002:002 As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters.

002:003 As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

002:004 He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

002:005 Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love.

002:006 His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.

002:007 I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, till he please.

002:008 The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the hills.

002:009 My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, he standeth behind our wall, he looketh forth at the windows, shewing himself through the lattice.

002:010 My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.

002:011 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;

002:012 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;

002:013 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

002:014 O my dove, that art in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.

002:015 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes.

002:016 My beloved is mine, and I am his: he feedeth among the lilies.

002:017 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.

003:001 By night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.

003:002 I will rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.

003:003 The watchmen that go about the city found me: to whom I said, Saw ye him whom my soul loveth?

003:004 It was but a little that I passed from them, but I found him whom my soul loveth: I held him, and would not let him go, until I had brought him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that conceived me.

003:005 I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, till he please.

003:006 Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?

003:007 Behold his bed, which is Solomon's; threescore valiant men are about it, of the valiant of Israel.

003:008 They all hold swords, being expert in war: every man hath his sword upon his thigh because of fear in the night.

003:009 King Solomon made himself a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.

003:010 He made the pillars thereof of silver, the bottom thereof of gold, the covering of it of purple, the midst thereof being paved with love, for the daughters of Jerusalem.

003:011 Go forth, O ye daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his heart.

004:001 Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold, thou art fair; thou hast doves' eyes within thy locks: thy hair is as a flock of goats, that appear from mount Gilead.

004:002 Thy teeth are like a flock of sheep that are even shorn, which came up from the washing; whereof every one bear twins, and none is barren among them.

004:003 Thy lips are like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech is comely: thy temples are like a piece of a pomegranate within thy locks.

004:004 Thy neck is like the tower of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.

004:005 Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.

004:006 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.

004:007 Thou art all fair, my love; there is no spot in thee.

004:008 Come with me from Lebanon, my spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards.

004:009 Thou hast ravished my heart, my sister, my spouse; thou hast ravished my heart with one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.

004:010 How fair is thy love, my sister, my spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices!

004:011 Thy lips, O my spouse, drop as the honeycomb: honey and milk are under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments is like the smell of Lebanon.

004:012 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

004:013 Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard,

004:014 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:

004:015 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

004:016 Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

005:001 I am come into my garden, my sister, my spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk: eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.

005:002 I sleep, but my heart waketh: it is the voice of my beloved that knocketh, saying, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night.

005:003 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them?

005:004 My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him.

005:005 I rose up to open to my beloved; and my hands dropped with myrrh, and my fingers with sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.

005:006 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, and was gone: my soul failed when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.

005:007 The watchmen that went about the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me; the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me.

005:008 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I am sick of love.

005:009 What is thy beloved more than another beloved, O thou fairest among women? what is thy beloved more than another beloved, that thou dost so charge us?

005:010 My beloved is white and ruddy, the chiefest among ten thousand.

005:011 His head is as the most fine gold, his locks are bushy, and black as a raven.

005:012 His eyes are as the eyes of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, and fitly set.

005:013 His cheeks are as a bed of spices, as sweet flowers: his lips like lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh.

005:014 His hands are as gold rings set with the beryl: his belly is as bright ivory overlaid with sapphires.

005:015 His legs are as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: his countenance is as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.

005:016 His mouth is most sweet: yea, he is altogether lovely. This is my beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

006:001 Whither is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither is thy beloved turned aside? that we may seek him with thee.

006:002 My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.

006:003 I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine: he feedeth among the lilies.

006:004 Thou art beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem, terrible as an army with banners.

006:005 Turn away thine eyes from me, for they have overcome me: thy hair is as a flock of goats that appear from Gilead.

006:006 Thy teeth are as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth twins, and there is not one barren among them.

006:007 As a piece of a pomegranate are thy temples within thy locks.

006:008 There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number.

006:009 My dove, my undefiled is but one; she is the only one of her mother, she is the choice one of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; yea, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her.

006:010 Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon,

clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?
006:011 I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley,
and to see whether the vine flourished and the pomegranates
budded.
006:012 Or ever I was aware, my soul made me like the chariots of
Amminadib.
006:013 Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon
thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? As it were the company
of two armies.
007:001 How beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the
joints of thy thighs are like jewels, the work of the hands of a
cunning workman.
007:002 Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor: thy belly
is like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.
007:003 Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins.
007:004 Thy neck is as a tower of ivory; thine eyes like the fishpools in
Heshbon, by the gate of Bathrabbim: thy nose is as the tower of
Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.
007:005 Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head
like purple; the king is held in the galleries.
007:006 How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!
007:007 This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters of
grapes.
007:008 I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs
thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and
the smell of thy nose like apples;
007:009 And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that
goeth down sweetly, causing the lips of those that are asleep to
speak.
007:010 I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me.
007:011 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the
villages.
007:012 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish,
whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud
forth: there will I give thee my loves.
007:013 The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates are all manner of
pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have laid up for thee, O my
beloved.
008:001 O that thou wert as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my
mother! when I should find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, I

should not be despised.

008:002 I would lead thee, and bring thee into my mother's house, who would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.

008:003 His left hand should be under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.

008:004 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, until he please.

008:005 Who is this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth that bare thee.

008:006 Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame.

008:007 Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

008:008 We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for?

008:009 If she be a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she be a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar.

008:010 I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour.

008:011 Solomon had a vineyard at Baalhamon; he let out the vineyard unto keepers; every one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand pieces of silver.

008:012 My vineyard, which is mine, is before me: thou, O Solomon, must have a thousand, and those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.

008:013 Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to hear it.

008:014 Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.

Proverbs

- 001:001 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
- 001:002 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;
- 001:003 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;
- 001:004 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.
- 001:005 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:
- 001:006 To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.
- 001:007 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.
- 001:008 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
- 001:009 For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.
- 001:010 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.
- 001:011 If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:
- 001:012 Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:
- 001:013 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:
- 001:014 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:
- 001:015 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:
- 001:016 For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.
- 001:017 Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird.
- 001:018 And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for their own lives.
- 001:019 So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which taketh away the life of the owners thereof.
- 001:020 Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:
- 001:021 She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying,
- 001:022 How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorers delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

001:023 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

001:024 Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

001:025 But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:

001:026 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;

001:027 When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

001:028 Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

001:029 For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:

001:030 They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.

001:031 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.

001:032 For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

001:033 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

002:001 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

002:002 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;

002:003 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;

002:004 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

002:005 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

002:006 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

002:007 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

002:008 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.

002:009 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; yea, every good path.

002:010 When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

002:011 Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:

002:012 To deliver thee from the way of the evil man, from the man that speaketh froward things;

002:013 Who leave the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness;

002:014 Who rejoice to do evil, and delight in the frowardness of the wicked;

002:015 Whose ways are crooked, and they froward in their paths:

002:016 To deliver thee from the strange woman, even from the stranger which flattereth with her words;

002:017 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her God.

002:018 For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead.

002:019 None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the paths of life.

002:020 That thou mayest walk in the way of good men, and keep the paths of the righteous.

002:021 For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.

002:022 But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.

003:001 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

003:002 For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

003:003 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:

003:004 So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

003:005 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

003:006 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

003:007 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

003:008 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

003:009 Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

003:010 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

003:011 My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:

003:012 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

003:013 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

003:014 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

003:015 She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

003:016 Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.

003:017 Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

003:018 She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her.

003:019 The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

003:020 By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

003:021 My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:

003:022 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.

003:023 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.

003:024 When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

003:025 Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

003:026 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

003:027 Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.

003:028 Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.

003:029 Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.

003:030 Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm.

003:031 Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

003:032 For the froward is abomination to the LORD: but his secret is with

the righteous.

- 003:033 The curse of the LORD is in the house of the wicked: but he
blesseth the habitation of the just.
- 003:034 Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the
lowly.
- 003:035 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of
fools.
- 004:001 Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know
understanding.
- 004:002 For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.
- 004:003 For I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of
my mother.
- 004:004 He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my
words: keep my commandments, and live.
- 004:005 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from
the words of my mouth.
- 004:006 Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she
shall keep thee.
- 004:007 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all
thy getting get understanding.
- 004:008 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to
honour, when thou dost embrace her.
- 004:009 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of
glory shall she deliver to thee.
- 004:010 Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life
shall be many.
- 004:011 I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right
paths.
- 004:012 When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou
runnest, thou shalt not stumble.
- 004:013 Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her; for she is thy
life.
- 004:014 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil
men.
- 004:015 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.
- 004:016 For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their
sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall.
- 004:017 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of
violence.
- 004:018 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more

and more unto the perfect day.

004:019 The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

004:020 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

004:021 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

004:022 For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.

004:023 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.

004:024 Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.

004:025 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.

004:026 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.

004:027 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.

005:001 My son, attend unto my wisdom, and bow thine ear to my understanding:

005:002 That thou mayest regard discretion, and that thy lips may keep knowledge.

005:003 For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smoother than oil:

005:004 But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a two-edged sword.

005:005 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.

005:006 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, that thou canst not know them.

005:007 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.

005:008 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:

005:009 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel:

005:010 Lest strangers be filled with thy wealth; and thy labours be in the house of a stranger;

005:011 And thou mourn at the last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed,

005:012 And say, How have I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof;

005:013 And have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me!

005:014 I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and

assembly.

005:015 Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own well.

005:016 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, and rivers of waters in the streets.

005:017 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

005:018 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.

005:019 Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.

005:020 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger?

005:021 For the ways of man are before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

005:022 His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.

005:023 He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

006:001 My son, if thou be surety for thy friend, if thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger,

006:002 Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.

006:003 Do this now, my son, and deliver thyself, when thou art come into the hand of thy friend; go, humble thyself, and make sure thy friend.

006:004 Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids.

006:005 Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand of the hunter, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler.

006:006 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:

006:007 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,

006:008 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.

006:009 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?

006:010 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

006:011 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

006:012 A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth.

006:013 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth

with his fingers;
006:014 Frowardness is in his heart, he deviseth mischief continually; he soweth discord.
006:015 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy.
006:016 These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him:
006:017 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,
006:018 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,
006:019 A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.
006:020 My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
006:021 Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.
006:022 When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.
006:023 For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:
006:024 To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.
006:025 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.
006:026 For by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of bread: and the adulteress will hunt for the precious life.
006:027 Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?
006:028 Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned?
006:029 So he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her shall not be innocent.
006:030 Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;
006:031 But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.
006:032 But whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh understanding: he that doeth it destroyeth his own soul.
006:033 A wound and dishonour shall he get; and his reproach shall not be wiped away.
006:034 For jealousy is the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.

006:035 He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest many gifts.

007:001 My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.

007:002 Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.

007:003 Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.

007:004 Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy kinswoman:

007:005 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger which flattereth with her words.

007:006 For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,

007:007 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void of understanding,

007:008 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,

007:009 In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night:

007:010 And, behold, there met him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

007:011 (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:

007:012 Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)

007:013 So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face said unto him,

007:014 I have peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.

007:015 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.

007:016 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt.

007:017 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

007:018 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves.

007:019 For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey:

007:020 He hath taken a bag of money with him, and will come home at the day appointed.

007:021 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.

007:022 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;

007:023 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare,

and knoweth not that it is for his life.

007:024 Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.

007:025 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.

007:026 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have been slain by her.

007:027 Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.

008:001 Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?

008:002 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.

008:003 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.

008:004 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man.

008:005 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.

008:006 Hear; for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my lips shall be right things.

008:007 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

008:008 All the words of my mouth are in righteousness; there is nothing froward or perverse in them.

008:009 They are all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.

008:010 Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.

008:011 For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

008:012 I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

008:013 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

008:014 Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.

008:015 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.

008:016 By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth.

008:017 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.

008:018 Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.

008:019 My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.

008:020 I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

008:021 That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

008:022 The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.

008:023 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

008:024 When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water.

008:025 Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:

008:026 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

008:027 When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:

008:028 When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:

008:029 When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth:

008:030 Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him;

008:031 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

008:032 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed are they that keep my ways.

008:033 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

008:034 Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

008:035 For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the LORD.

008:036 But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.

009:001 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:

009:002 She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table.

009:003 She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest
places of the city,

009:004 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wanteth
understanding, she saith to him,

009:005 Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have
mingled.

009:006 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

009:007 He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that
rebuketh a wicked man getteth himself a blot.

009:008 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and
he will love thee.

009:009 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a
just man, and he will increase in learning.

009:010 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the
knowledge of the holy is understanding.

009:011 For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life
shall be increased.

009:012 If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but if thou scornest,
thou alone shalt bear it.

009:013 A foolish woman is clamorous: she is simple, and knoweth nothing.

009:014 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high
places of the city,

009:015 To call passengers who go right on their ways:

009:016 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: and as for him that wanteth
understanding, she saith to him,

009:017 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant.

009:018 But he knoweth not that the dead are there; and that her guests
are in the depths of hell.

010:001 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a
foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

010:002 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness
delivereth from death.

010:003 The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he
casteth away the substance of the wicked.

010:004 He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of
the diligent maketh rich.

010:005 He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in
harvest is a son that causeth shame.

010:006 Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the
mouth of the wicked.

010:007 The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.

010:008 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.

010:009 He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.

010:010 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.

010:011 The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

010:012 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

010:013 In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found: but a rod is for the back of him that is void of understanding.

010:014 Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction.

010:015 The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor is their poverty.

010:016 The labour of the righteous tendeth to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

010:017 He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.

010:018 He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, is a fool.

010:019 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.

010:020 The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the wicked is little worth.

010:021 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.

010:022 The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

010:023 It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.

010:024 The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be granted.

010:025 As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the righteous is an everlasting foundation.

010:026 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them that send him.

010:027 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked

shall be shortened.

010:028 The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.

010:029 The way of the LORD is strength to the upright: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.

010:030 The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.

010:031 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.

010:032 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked speaketh frowardness.

011:001 A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is his delight.

011:002 When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.

011:003 The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.

011:004 Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death.

011:005 The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.

011:006 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but transgressors shall be taken in their own naughtiness.

011:007 When a wicked man dieth, his expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust men perisheth.

011:008 The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh in his stead.

011:009 An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.

011:010 When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and when the wicked perish, there is shouting.

011:011 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.

011:012 He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace.

011:013 A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.

011:014 Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety.

011:015 He that is surety for a stranger shall smart for it: and he that

hateth suretiship is sure.

011:016 A gracious woman retaineth honour: and strong men retain riches.

011:017 The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but he that is cruel troubleth his own flesh.

011:018 The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth righteousness shall be a sure reward.

011:019 As righteousness tendeth to life: so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own death.

011:020 They that are of a froward heart are abomination to the LORD: but such as are upright in their way are his delight.

011:021 Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.

011:022 As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion.

011:023 The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of the wicked is wrath.

011:024 There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

011:025 The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.

011:026 He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it.

011:027 He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: but he that seeketh mischief, it shall come unto him.

011:028 He that trusteth in his riches shall fall; but the righteous shall flourish as a branch.

011:029 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart.

011:030 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise.

011:031 Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner.

012:001 Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish.

012:002 A good man obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.

012:003 A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.

012:004 A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.

012:005 The thoughts of the righteous are right: but the counsels of the wicked are deceit.

012:006 The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.

012:007 The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.

012:008 A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is of a perverse heart shall be despised.

012:009 He that is despised, and hath a servant, is better than he that honoureth himself, and lacketh bread.

012:010 A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel.

012:011 He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding.

012:012 The wicked desireth the net of evil men: but the root of the righteous yieldeth fruit.

012:013 The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.

012:014 A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.

012:015 The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

012:016 A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covereth shame.

012:017 He that speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.

012:018 There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.

012:019 The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

012:020 Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace is joy.

012:021 There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.

012:022 Lying lips are abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly are his delight.

012:023 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.

012:024 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.

012:025 Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.

012:026 The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.

012:027 The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.

012:028 In the way of righteousness is life: and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

013:001 A wise son heareth his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

013:002 A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth: but the soul of the transgressors shall eat violence.

013:003 He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.

013:004 The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.

013:005 A righteous man hateth lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and cometh to shame.

013:006 Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

013:007 There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches.

013:008 The ransom of a man's life are his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

013:009 The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

013:010 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

013:011 Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase.

013:012 Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but when the desire cometh, it is a tree of life.

013:013 Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment shall be rewarded.

013:014 The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.

013:015 Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors is hard.

013:016 Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open his folly.

013:017 A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.

013:018 Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.

013:019 The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is abomination to fools to depart from evil.

013:020 He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

013:021 Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.

013:022 A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

013:023 Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is destroyed for want of judgment.

013:024 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.

013:025 The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.

014:001 Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.

014:002 He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: but he that is perverse in his ways despiseth him.

014:003 In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.

014:004 Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox.

014:005 A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.

014:006 A scorner seeketh wisdom, and findeth it not: but knowledge is easy unto him that understandeth.

014:007 Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not in him the lips of knowledge.

014:008 The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way: but the folly of fools is deceit.

014:009 Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous there is favour.

014:010 The heart knoweth his own bitterness; and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his joy.

014:011 The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.

014:012 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

014:013 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth is

heaviness.

- 014:014 The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.
- 014:015 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going.
- 014:016 A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.
- 014:017 He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.
- 014:018 The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.
- 014:019 The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.
- 014:020 The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but the rich hath many friends.
- 014:021 He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy is he.
- 014:022 Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth shall be to them that devise good.
- 014:023 In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.
- 014:024 The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools is folly.
- 014:025 A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful witness speaketh lies.
- 014:026 In the fear of the LORD is strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.
- 014:027 The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
- 014:028 In the multitude of people is the king's honour: but in the want of people is the destruction of the prince.
- 014:029 He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.
- 014:030 A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.
- 014:031 He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.
- 014:032 The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.
- 014:033 Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but

that which is in the midst of fools is made known.

014:034 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.

014:035 The king's favour is toward a wise servant: but his wrath is against him that causeth shame.

015:001 A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

015:002 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

015:003 The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good.

015:004 A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit.

015:005 A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent.

015:006 In the house of the righteous is much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is trouble.

015:007 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish doeth not so.

015:008 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his delight.

015:009 The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

015:010 Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die.

015:011 Hell and destruction are before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?

015:012 A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.

015:013 A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

015:014 The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.

015:015 All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast.

015:016 Better is little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.

015:017 Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.

015:018 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger

appeaseth strife.

015:019 The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous is made plain.

015:020 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.

015:021 Folly is joy to him that is destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh uprightly.

015:022 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

015:023 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!

015:024 The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

015:025 The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.

015:026 The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but the words of the pure are pleasant words.

015:027 He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live.

015:028 The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.

015:029 The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

015:030 The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.

015:031 The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

015:032 He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that heareth reproof getteth understanding.

015:033 The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.

016:001 The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the LORD.

016:002 All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits.

016:003 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.

016:004 The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.

016:005 Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.

016:006 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil.

016:007 When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.

016:008 Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.

016:009 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

016:010 A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment.

016:011 A just weight and balance are the LORD's: all the weights of the bag are his work.

016:012 It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness.

016:013 Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right.

016:014 The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.

016:015 In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain.

016:016 How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!

016:017 The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul.

016:018 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

016:019 Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.

016:020 He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.

016:021 The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.

016:022 Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools is folly.

016:023 The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.

016:024 Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.

016:025 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

016:026 He that laboureth laboureth for himself; for his mouth craveth it of him.

016:027 An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire.

016:028 A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.

016:029 A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good.

016:030 He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.

016:031 The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness.

016:032 He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

016:033 The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is of the LORD.

017:001 Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.

017:002 A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.

017:003 The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the LORD trieth the hearts.

017:004 A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.

017:005 Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: and he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.

017:006 Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.

017:007 Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.

017:008 A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth.

017:009 He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends.

017:010 A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.

017:011 An evil man seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.

017:012 Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.

017:013 Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.

017:014 The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.

017:015 He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both are abomination to the LORD.

017:016 Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing he hath no heart to it?

017:017 A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.

017:018 A man void of understanding striketh hands, and becometh surety in the presence of his friend.

017:019 He loveth transgression that loveth strife: and he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.

017:020 He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath a perverse tongue falleth into mischief.

017:021 He that begetteth a fool doeth it to his sorrow: and the father of a fool hath no joy.

017:022 A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.

017:023 A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.

017:024 Wisdom is before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a fool are in the ends of the earth.

017:025 A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

017:026 Also to punish the just is not good, nor to strike princes for equity.

017:027 He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

017:028 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.

018:001 Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and intermeddleth with all wisdom.

018:002 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

018:003 When the wicked cometh, then cometh also contempt, and with ignominy reproach.

018:004 The words of a man's mouth are as deep waters, and the wellspring of wisdom as a flowing brook.

018:005 It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.

018:006 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.

018:007 A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his

soul.

018:008 The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

018:009 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.

018:010 The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

018:011 The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit.

018:012 Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility.

018:013 He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

018:014 The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

018:015 The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

018:016 A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.

018:017 He that is first in his own cause seemeth just; but his neighbour cometh and searcheth him.

018:018 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.

018:019 A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.

018:020 A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.

018:021 Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

018:022 Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.

018:023 The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth roughly.

018:024 A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

019:001 Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

019:002 Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he that hasteth with his feet sinneth.

019:003 The foolishness of man perverteth his way: and his heart fretteth against the LORD.

- 019:004 Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.
- 019:005 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall not escape.
- 019:006 Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a friend to him that giveth gifts.
- 019:007 All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursueth them with words, yet they are wanting to him.
- 019:008 He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good.
- 019:009 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall perish.
- 019:010 Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.
- 019:011 The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.
- 019:012 The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion; but his favour is as dew upon the grass.
- 019:013 A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.
- 019:014 House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the LORD.
- 019:015 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.
- 019:016 He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; but he that despiseth his ways shall die.
- 019:017 He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.
- 019:018 Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying.
- 019:019 A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliver him, yet thou must do it again.
- 019:020 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.
- 019:021 There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.
- 019:022 The desire of a man is his kindness: and a poor man is better than a liar.
- 019:023 The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide

satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.

019:024 A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.

019:025 Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, and he will understand knowledge.

019:026 He that wasteth his father, and chaseth away his mother, is a son that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.

019:027 Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge.

019:028 An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.

019:029 Judgments are prepared for scorers, and stripes for the back of fools.

020:001 Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

020:002 The fear of a king is as the roaring of a lion: whoso provoketh him to anger sinneth against his own soul.

020:003 It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.

020:004 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

020:005 Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.

020:006 Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?

020:007 The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.

020:008 A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.

020:009 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

020:010 Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike abomination to the LORD.

020:011 Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.

020:012 The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them.

020:013 Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

020:014 It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.

020:015 There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel.

020:016 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

020:017 Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.

020:018 Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.

020:019 He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips.

020:020 Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.

020:021 An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed.

020:022 Say not thou, I will recompense evil; but wait on the LORD, and he shall save thee.

020:023 Divers weights are an abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance is not good.

020:024 Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?

020:025 It is a snare to the man who devoureth that which is holy, and after vows to make enquiry.

020:026 A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.

020:027 The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

020:028 Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.

020:029 The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the grey head.

020:030 The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so do stripes the inward parts of the belly.

021:001 The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.

021:002 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

021:003 To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

021:004 An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin.

021:005 The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.

021:006 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.

021:007 The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.

021:008 The way of man is froward and strange: but as for the pure, his work is right.

021:009 It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house.

021:010 The soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour findeth no favour in his eyes.

021:011 When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge.

021:012 The righteous man wisely considereth the house of the wicked: but God overthroweth the wicked for their wickedness.

021:013 Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.

021:014 A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.

021:015 It is joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.

021:016 The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.

021:017 He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

021:018 The wicked shall be a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.

021:019 It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.

021:020 There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.

021:021 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour.

021:022 A wise man scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.

021:023 Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.

021:024 Proud and haughty scorner is his name, who dealeth in proud wrath.

021:025 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.
021:026 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.
021:027 The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination: how much more, when he bringeth it with a wicked mind?
021:028 A false witness shall perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.
021:029 A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the upright, he directeth his way.
021:030 There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.
021:031 The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of the LORD.
022:001 A GOOD name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.
022:002 The rich and poor meet together: the LORD is the maker of them all.
022:003 A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.
022:004 By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life.
022:005 Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward: he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them.
022:006 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
022:007 The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.
022:008 He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.
022:009 He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.
022:010 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.
022:011 He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.
022:012 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the words of the transgressor.
022:013 The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.
022:014 The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: he that is abhorred of

the LORD shall fall therein.

022:015 Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

022:016 He that oppresseth the poor to increase his riches, and he that giveth to the rich, shall surely come to want.

022:017 Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge.

022:018 For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips.

022:019 That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, even to thee.

022:020 Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,

022:021 That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?

022:022 Rob not the poor, because he is poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate:

022:023 For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.

022:024 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go:

022:025 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.

022:026 Be not thou one of them that strike hands, or of them that are sureties for debts.

022:027 If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?

022:028 Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.

022:029 Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men.

023:001 When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what is before thee:

023:002 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite.

023:003 Be not desirous of his dainties: for they are deceitful meat.

023:004 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.

023:005 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

023:006 Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats:

023:007 For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee.

023:008 The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.

023:009 Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.

023:010 Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless:

023:011 For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee.

023:012 Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.

023:013 Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die.

023:014 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.

023:015 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine.

023:016 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.

023:017 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the LORD all the day long.

023:018 For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.

023:019 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.

023:020 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:

023:021 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.

023:022 Harken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.

023:023 Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.

023:024 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.

023:025 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

023:026 My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.

023:027 For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit.

023:028 She also lieth in wait as for a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men.

023:029 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?

023:030 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.
023:031 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his
colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.
023:032 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.
023:033 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter
perverse things.
023:034 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or
as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.
023:035 They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they
have beaten me, and I felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it
yet again.
024:001 Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with
them.
024:002 For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.
024:003 Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is
established:
024:004 And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious
and pleasant riches.
024:005 A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth
strength.
024:006 For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of
counsellors there is safety.
024:007 Wisdom is too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the
gate.
024:008 He that deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.
024:009 The thought of foolishness is sin: and the scorner is an
abomination to men.
024:010 If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.
024:011 If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and
those that are ready to be slain;
024:012 If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth
the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth not he
know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his
works?
024:013 My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb,
which is sweet to thy taste:
024:014 So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto thy soul: when thou
hast found it, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation
shall not be cut off.
024:015 Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous;

spoil not his resting place:

024:016 For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

024:017 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:

024:018 Lest the LORD see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.

024:019 Fret not thyself because of evil men, neither be thou envious at the wicked:

024:020 For there shall be no reward to the evil man; the candle of the wicked shall be put out.

024:021 My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change:

024:022 For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?

024:023 These things also belong to the wise. It is not good to have respect of persons in judgment.

024:024 He that saith unto the wicked, Thou are righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:

024:025 But to them that rebuke him shall be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them.

024:026 Every man shall kiss his lips that giveth a right answer.

024:027 Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.

024:028 Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive not with thy lips.

024:029 Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.

024:030 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

024:031 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.

024:032 Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and received instruction.

024:033 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

024:034 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

025:001 These are also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.

025:002 It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.

025:003 The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings is unsearchable.

025:004 Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer.

025:005 Take away the wicked from before the king, and his throne shall be established in righteousness.

025:006 Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great men:

025:007 For better it is that it be said unto thee, Come up hither; than that thou shouldest be put lower in the presence of the prince whom thine eyes have seen.

025:008 Go not forth hastily to strive, lest thou know not what to do in the end thereof, when thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.

025:009 Debate thy cause with thy neighbour himself; and discover not a secret to another:

025:010 Lest he that heareth it put thee to shame, and thine infamy turn not away.

025:011 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver.

025:012 As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover upon an obedient ear.

025:013 As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters.

025:014 Whoso boasteth himself of a false gift is like clouds and wind without rain.

025:015 By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

025:016 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

025:017 Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee.

025:018 A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour is a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.

025:019 Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble is like a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

025:020 As he that taketh away a garment in cold weather, and as vinegar upon nitre, so is he that singeth songs to an heavy heart.

025:021 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be

thirsty, give him water to drink:

- 025:022 For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.
- 025:023 The north wind driveth away rain: so doth an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.
- 025:024 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in a wide house.
- 025:025 As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.
- 025:026 A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.
- 025:027 It is not good to eat much honey: so for men to search their own glory is not glory.
- 025:028 He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.
- 026:001 As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.
- 026:002 As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.
- 026:003 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.
- 026:004 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.
- 026:005 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.
- 026:006 He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, and drinketh damage.
- 026:007 The legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.
- 026:008 As he that bindeth a stone in a sling, so is he that giveth honour to a fool.
- 026:009 As a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so is a parable in the mouths of fools.
- 026:010 The great God that formed all things both rewardeth the fool, and rewardeth transgressors.
- 026:011 As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly.
- 026:012 Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him.
- 026:013 The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in the streets.
- 026:014 As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his

bed.

026:015 The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.

026:016 The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.

026:017 He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.

026:018 As a mad man who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death,

026:019 So is the man that deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?

026:020 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth.

026:021 As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife.

026:022 The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

026:023 Burning lips and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with silver dross.

026:024 He that hateth dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit within him;

026:025 When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for there are seven abominations in his heart.

026:026 Whose hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the whole congregation.

026:027 Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him.

026:028 A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin.

027:001 Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.

027:002 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.

027:003 A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is heavier than them both.

027:004 Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?

027:005 Open rebuke is better than secret love.

027:006 Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.

027:007 The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every

bitter thing is sweet.

027:008 As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that wandereth from his place.

027:009 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.

027:010 Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.

027:011 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him that reproacheth me.

027:012 A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.

027:013 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

027:014 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

027:015 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

027:016 Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, which bewrayeth itself.

027:017 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

027:018 Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

027:019 As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man.

027:020 Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

027:021 As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so is a man to his praise.

027:022 Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, yet will not his foolishness depart from him.

027:023 Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well to thy herds.

027:024 For riches are not for ever: and doth the crown endure to every generation?

027:025 The hay appeareth, and the tender grass sheweth itself, and herbs of the mountains are gathered.

027:026 The lambs are for thy clothing, and the goats are the price of the field.

027:027 And thou shalt have goats' milk enough for thy food, for the food of

thy household, and for the maintenance for thy maidens.

028:001 The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.

028:002 For the transgression of a land many are the princes thereof: but by a man of understanding and knowledge the state thereof shall be prolonged.

028:003 A poor man that oppresseth the poor is like a sweeping rain which leaveth no food.

028:004 They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.

028:005 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things.

028:006 Better is the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than he that is perverse in his ways, though he be rich.

028:007 Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous men shameth his father.

028:008 He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor.

028:009 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination.

028:010 Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession.

028:011 The rich man is wise in his own conceit; but the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.

028:012 When righteous men do rejoice, there is great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is hidden.

028:013 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

028:014 Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief.

028:015 As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; so is a wicked ruler over the poor people.

028:016 The prince that wanteth understanding is also a great oppressor: but he that hateth covetousness shall prolong his days.

028:017 A man that doeth violence to the blood of any person shall flee to the pit; let no man stay him.

028:018 Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but he that is perverse in his ways shall fall at once.

028:019 He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that

followeth after vain persons shall have poverty enough.

028:020 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.

028:021 To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread that man will transgress.

028:022 He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him.

028:023 He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue.

028:024 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, It is no transgression; the same is the companion of a destroyer.

028:025 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.

028:026 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

028:027 He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.

028:028 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous increase.

029:001 He, that being often reprov'd hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.

029:002 When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.

029:003 Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth his substance.

029:004 The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

029:005 A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.

029:006 In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare: but the righteous doth sing and rejoice.

029:007 The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: but the wicked regardeth not to know it.

029:008 Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise men turn away wrath.

029:009 If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, there is no rest.

029:010 The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.

029:011 A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards.

029:012 If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked.

029:013 The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the LORD
lighteneth both their eyes.

029:014 The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be
established for ever.

029:015 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself
bringeth his mother to shame.

029:016 When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the
righteous shall see their fall.

029:017 Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give
delight unto thy soul.

029:018 Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth
the law, happy is he.

029:019 A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand
he will not answer.

029:020 Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of
a fool than of him.

029:021 He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have
him become his son at the length.

029:022 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in
transgression.

029:023 A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the
humble in spirit.

029:024 Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth
cursing, and bewrayeth it not.

029:025 The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the
LORD shall be safe.

029:026 Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judgment cometh
from the LORD.

029:027 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is upright
in the way is abomination to the wicked.

030:001 The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, even the prophecy: the man
spake unto Ithiel, even unto Ithiel and Ucal,

030:002 Surely I am more brutish than any man, and have not the
understanding of a man.

030:003 I neither learned wisdom, nor have the knowledge of the holy.

030:004 Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath
gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a
garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is
his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell?

030:005 Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their

trust in him.

- 030:006 Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.
- 030:007 Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I die:
- 030:008 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me:
- 030:009 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.
- 030:010 Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse thee, and thou be found guilty.
- 030:011 There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.
- 030:012 There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness.
- 030:013 There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up.
- 030:014 There is a generation, whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from among men.
- 030:015 The horseleach hath two daughters, crying, Give, give. There are three things that are never satisfied, yea, four things say not, It is enough:
- 030:016 The grave; and the barren womb; the earth that is not filled with water; and the fire that saith not, It is enough.
- 030:017 The eye that mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.
- 030:018 There be three things which are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not:
- 030:019 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.
- 030:020 Such is the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and saith, I have done no wickedness.
- 030:021 For three things the earth is disquieted, and for four which it cannot bear:
- 030:022 For a servant when he reigneth; and a fool when he is filled with meat;
- 030:023 For an odious woman when she is married; and an handmaid that is heir to her mistress.

030:024 There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are exceeding wise:

030:025 The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer;

030:026 The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks;

030:027 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands;

030:028 The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.

030:029 There be three things which go well, yea, four are comely in going:

030:030 A lion which is strongest among beasts, and turneth not away for any;

030:031 A greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against whom there is no rising up.

030:032 If thou hast done foolishly in lifting up thyself, or if thou hast thought evil, lay thine hand upon thy mouth.

030:033 Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

031:001 The words of king Lemuel, the prophecy that his mother taught him.

031:002 What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of my vows?

031:003 Give not thy strength unto women, nor thy ways to that which destroyeth kings.

031:004 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink:

031:005 Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted.

031:006 Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts.

031:007 Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more.

031:008 Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all such as are appointed to destruction.

031:009 Open thy mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.

031:010 Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

031:011 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

031:012 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

031:013 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.
031:014 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.
031:015 She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.
031:016 She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.
031:017 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.
031:018 She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night.
031:019 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.
031:020 She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.
031:021 She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet.
031:022 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple.
031:023 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.
031:024 She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.
031:025 Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.
031:026 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.
031:027 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.
031:028 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her.
031:029 Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.
031:030 Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.
031:031 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Hosea

- 001:001 The word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.
- 001:002 The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: for the land hath committed great whoredom, departing from the LORD.
- 001:003 So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son.
- 001:004 And the LORD said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; for yet a little while, and I will avenge the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause to cease the kingdom of the house of Israel.
- 001:005 And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow of Israel, in the valley of Jezreel.
- 001:006 And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And God said unto him, Call her name Loruhamah: for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; but I will utterly take them away.
- 001:007 But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by the LORD their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen.
- 001:008 Now when she had weaned Loruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.
- 001:009 Then said God, Call his name Loammi: for ye are not my people, and I will not be your God.
- 001:010 Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God.
- 001:011 Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel.
- 002:001 Say ye unto your brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ruhamah.
- 002:002 Plead with your mother, plead: for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts;
- 002:003 Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and

slay her with thirst.

002:004 And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they be the children of whoredoms.

002:005 For their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give me my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink.

002:006 Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and make a wall, that she shall not find her paths.

002:007 And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find them: then shall she say, I will go and return to my first husband; for then was it better with me than now.

002:008 For she did not know that I gave her corn, and wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold, which they prepared for Baal.

002:009 Therefore will I return, and take away my corn in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will recover my wool and my flax given to cover her nakedness.

002:010 And now will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand.

002:011 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.

002:012 And I will destroy her vines and her fig trees, whereof she hath said, These are my rewards that my lovers have given me: and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them.

002:013 And I will visit upon her the days of Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and forgot me, saith the LORD.

002:014 Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her.

002:015 And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt.

002:016 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, that thou shalt call me Ishi; and shalt call me no more Baali.

002:017 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.

002:018 And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of

the field and with the fowls of heaven, and with the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely.

002:019 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

002:020 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the LORD.

002:021 And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth;

002:022 And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel.

002:023 And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.

003:001 Then said the LORD unto me, Go yet, love a woman beloved of her friend, yet an adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love flagons of wine.

003:002 So I bought her to me for fifteen pieces of silver, and for an homer of barley, and an half homer of barley:

003:003 And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide for me many days; thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt not be for another man: so will I also be for thee.

003:004 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and without teraphim:

003:005 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

004:001 Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.

004:002 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.

004:003 Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away.

004:004 Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people are as they that strive with the priest.

004:005 Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother.

004:006 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

004:007 As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I change their glory into shame.

004:008 They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity.

004:009 And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings.

004:010 For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD.

004:011 Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.

004:012 My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused them to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.

004:013 They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof is good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.

004:014 I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people that doth not understand shall fall.

004:015 Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, yet let not Judah offend; and come not ye unto Gilgal, neither go ye up to Bethaven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.

004:016 For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.

004:017 Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.

004:018 Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers with shame do love, Give ye.

004:019 The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

005:001 Hear ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give

ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment is toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor.

005:002 And the revolvers are profound to make slaughter, though I have been a rebuker of them all.

005:003 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredom, and Israel is defiled.

005:004 They will not frame their doings to turn unto their God: for the spirit of whoredoms is in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD.

005:005 And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity: Judah also shall fall with them.

005:006 They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; but they shall not find him; he hath withdrawn himself from them.

005:007 They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their portions.

005:008 Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, and the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud at Bethaven, after thee, O Benjamin.

005:009 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be.

005:010 The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound: therefore I will pour out my wrath upon them like water.

005:011 Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandment.

005:012 Therefore will I be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness.

005:013 When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah saw his wound, then went Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound.

005:014 For I will be unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, even I, will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue him.

005:015 I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.

006:001 Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.

006:002 After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.

006:003 Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going

forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.

006:004 O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.

006:005 Therefore have I hewed them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments are as the light that goeth forth.

006:006 For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.

006:007 But they like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.

006:008 Gilead is a city of them that work iniquity, and is polluted with blood.

006:009 And as troops of robbers wait for a man, so the company of priests murder in the way by consent: for they commit lewdness.

006:010 I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there is the whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.

006:011 Also, O Judah, he hath set an harvest for thee, when I returned the captivity of my people.

007:001 When I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, and the troop of robbers spoileth without.

007:002 And they consider not in their hearts that I remember all their wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before my face.

007:003 They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies.

007:004 They are all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, who ceaseth from raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.

007:005 In the day of our king the princes have made him sick with bottles of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorners.

007:006 For they have made ready their heart like an oven, whiles they lie in wait: their baker sleepeth all the night; in the morning it burneth as a flaming fire.

007:007 They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; all their kings are fallen: there is none among them that calleth unto me.

007:008 Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake not turned.

007:009 Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth it not: yea, gray hairs are here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.

007:010 And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him for all this.

007:011 Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

007:012 When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them; I will bring them down as the fowls of the heaven; I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard.

007:013 Woe unto them! for they have fled from me: destruction unto them! because they have transgressed against me: though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against me.

007:014 And they have not cried unto me with their heart, when they howled upon their beds: they assemble themselves for corn and wine, and they rebel against me.

007:015 Though I have bound and strengthened their arms, yet do they imagine mischief against me.

007:016 They return, but not to the most High: they are like a deceitful bow: their princes shall fall by the sword for the rage of their tongue: this shall be their derision in the land of Egypt.

008:001 Set the trumpet to thy mouth. He shall come as an eagle against the house of the LORD, because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my law.

008:002 Israel shall cry unto me, My God, we know thee.

008:003 Israel hath cast off the thing that is good: the enemy shall pursue him.

008:004 They have set up kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew it not: of their silver and their gold have they made them idols, that they may be cut off.

008:005 Thy calf, O Samaria, hath cast thee off; mine anger is kindled against them: how long will it be ere they attain to innocency?

008:006 For from Israel was it also: the workman made it; therefore it is not God: but the calf of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.

008:007 For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk; the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

008:008 Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles as a vessel wherein is no pleasure.

008:009 For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass alone by himself:
Ephraim hath hired lovers.

008:010 Yea, though they have hired among the nations, now will I gather
them, and they shall sorrow a little for the burden of the king of
princes.

008:011 Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sin, altars shall be
unto him to sin.

008:012 I have written to him the great things of my law, but they were
counted as a strange thing.

008:013 They sacrifice flesh for the sacrifices of mine offerings, and eat it;
but the LORD accepteth them not; now will he remember their
iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall return to Egypt.

008:014 For Israel hath forgotten his Maker, and buildeth temples; and
Judah hath multiplied fenced cities: but I will send a fire upon his
cities, and it shall devour the palaces thereof.

009:001 Rejoice not, O Israel, for joy, as other people: for thou hast gone a
whoring from thy God, thou hast loved a reward upon every
cornfloor.

009:002 The floor and the winepress shall not feed them, and the new wine
shall fail in her.

009:003 They shall not dwell in the LORD's land; but Ephraim shall return
to Egypt, and they shall eat unclean things in Assyria.

009:004 They shall not offer wine offerings to the LORD, neither shall they
be pleasing unto him: their sacrifices shall be unto them as the
bread of mourners; all that eat thereof shall be polluted: for their
bread for their soul shall not come into the house of the LORD.

009:005 What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of
the LORD?

009:006 For, lo, they are gone because of destruction: Egypt shall gather
them up, Memphis shall bury them: the pleasant places for their
silver, nettles shall possess them: thorns shall be in their
tabernacles.

009:007 The days of visitation are come, the days of recompence are
come; Israel shall know it: the prophet is a fool, the spiritual man
is mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.

009:008 The watchman of Ephraim was with my God: but the prophet is a
snare of a fowler in all his ways, and hatred in the house of his
God.

009:009 They have deeply corrupted themselves, as in the days of Gibeah:
therefore he will remember their iniquity, he will visit their sins.

009:010 I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the fig tree at her first time: but they went to Baalpeor, and separated themselves unto that shame; and their abominations were according as they loved.

009:011 As for Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird, from the birth, and from the womb, and from the conception.

009:012 Though they bring up their children, yet will I bereave them, that there shall not be a man left: yea, woe also to them when I depart from them!

009:013 Ephraim, as I saw Tyrus, is planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring forth his children to the murderer.

009:014 Give them, O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts.

009:015 All their wickedness is in Gilgal: for there I hated them: for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of mine house, I will love them no more: all their princes are revolvers.

009:016 Ephraim is smitten, their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: yea, though they bring forth, yet will I slay even the beloved fruit of their womb.

009:017 My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto him: and they shall be wanderers among the nations.

010:001 Israel is an empty vine, he bringeth forth fruit unto himself: according to the multitude of his fruit he hath increased the altars; according to the goodness of his land they have made goodly images.

010:002 Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty: he shall break down their altars, he shall spoil their images.

010:003 For now they shall say, We have no king, because we feared not the LORD; what then should a king do to us?

010:004 They have spoken words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: thus judgment springeth up as hemlock in the furrows of the field.

010:005 The inhabitants of Samaria shall fear because of the calves of Bethaven: for the people thereof shall mourn over it, and the priests thereof that rejoiced on it, for the glory thereof, because it is departed from it.

010:006 It shall be also carried unto Assyria for a present to king Jareb: Ephraim shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel.

010:007 As for Samaria, her king is cut off as the foam upon the water.

010:008 The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed:

the thorn and the thistle shall come up on their altars; and they shall say to the mountains, Cover us; and to the hills, Fall on us.

010:009 O Israel, thou hast sinned from the days of Gibeah: there they stood: the battle in Gibeah against the children of iniquity did not overtake them.

010:010 It is in my desire that I should chastise them; and the people shall be gathered against them, when they shall bind themselves in their two furrows.

010:011 And Ephraim is as an heifer that is taught, and loveth to tread out the corn; but I passed over upon her fair neck: I will make Ephraim to ride; Judah shall plow, and Jacob shall break his clods.

010:012 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.

010:013 Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.

010:014 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled, as Shalman spoiled Betharbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces upon her children.

010:015 So shall Bethel do unto you because of your great wickedness: in a morning shall the king of Israel utterly be cut off.

011:001 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.

011:002 As they called them, so they went from them: they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned incense to graven images.

011:003 I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they knew not that I healed them.

011:004 I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love: and I was to them as they that take off the yoke on their jaws, and I laid meat unto them.

011:005 He shall not return into the land of Egypt, and the Assyrian shall be his king, because they refused to return.

011:006 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his branches, and devour them, because of their own counsels.

011:007 And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called them to the most High, none at all would exalt him.

011:008 How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as Admah? how shall I set thee as

Zeboim? mine heart is turned within me, my repentings are kindled together.

011:009 I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for I am God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of thee: and I will not enter into the city.

011:010 They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.

011:011 They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria: and I will place them in their houses, saith the LORD.

011:012 Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Judah yet ruleth with God, and is faithful with the saints.

012:001 Ephraim feedeth on wind, and followeth after the east wind: he daily increaseth lies and desolation; and they do make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oil is carried into Egypt.

012:002 The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him.

012:003 He took his brother by the heel in the womb, and by his strength he had power with God:

012:004 Yea, he had power over the angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto him: he found him in Bethel, and there he spake with us;

012:005 Even the LORD God of hosts; the LORD is his memorial.

012:006 Therefore turn thou to thy God: keep mercy and judgment and wait on thy God continually.

012:007 He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand: he loveth to oppress.

012:008 And Ephraim said, Yet I am become rich, I have found me out substance: in all my labours they shall find none iniquity in me that were sin.

012:009 And I that am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt will yet make thee to dwell in tabernacles, as in the days of the solemn feast.

012:010 I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes, by the ministry of the prophets.

012:011 Is there iniquity in Gilead? surely they are vanity: they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal; yea, their altars are as heaps in the furrows of the fields.

012:012 And Jacob fled into the country of Syria, and Israel served for a wife, and for a wife he kept sheep.

012:013 And by a prophet the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he preserved.

012:014 Ephraim provoked him to anger most bitterly: therefore shall he leave his blood upon him, and his reproach shall his LORD return unto him.

013:001 When Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but when he offended in Baal, he died.

013:002 And now they sin more and more, and have made them molten images of their silver, and idols according to their own understanding, all of it the work of the craftsmen: they say of them, Let the men that sacrifice kiss the calves.

013:003 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud and as the early dew that passeth away, as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney.

013:004 Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me.

013:005 I did know thee in the wilderness, in the land of great drought.

013:006 According to their pasture, so were they filled; they were filled, and their heart was exalted; therefore have they forgotten me.

013:007 Therefore I will be unto them as a lion: as a leopard by the way will I observe them:

013:008 I will meet them as a bear that is bereaved of her whelps, and will rend the caul of their heart, and there will I devour them like a lion: the wild beast shall tear them.

013:009 O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me is thine help.

013:010 I will be thy king: where is any other that may save thee in all thy cities? and thy judges of whom thou saidst, Give me a king and princes?

013:011 I gave thee a king in mine anger, and took him away in my wrath.

013:012 The iniquity of Ephraim is bound up; his sin is hid.

013:013 The sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him: he is an unwise son; for he should not stay long in the place of the breaking forth of children.

013:014 I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.

013:015 Though he be fruitful among his brethren, an east wind shall come, the wind of the LORD shall come up from the wilderness,

- and his spring shall become dry, and his fountain shall be dried up: he shall spoil the treasure of all pleasant vessels.
- 013:016 Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.
- 014:001 O israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.
- 014:002 Take with you words, and turn to the LORD: say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously: so will we render the calves of our lips.
- 014:003 Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, Ye are our gods: for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy.
- 014:004 I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.
- 014:005 I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon.
- 014:006 His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.
- 014:007 They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine: the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon.
- 014:008 Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard him, and observed him: I am like a green fir tree. From me is thy fruit found.
- 014:009 Who is wise, and he shall understand these things? prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the LORD are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.

Ecclesiastes

001:001 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

001:002 Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity.

001:003 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?

001:004 One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.

001:005 The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.

001:006 The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.

001:007 All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again.

001:008 All things are full of labour; man cannot utter it: the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.

001:009 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.

001:010 Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

001:011 There is no remembrance of former things; neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come after.

001:012 I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.

001:013 And I gave my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all things that are done under heaven: this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man to be exercised therewith.

001:014 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

001:015 That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is wanting cannot be numbered.

001:016 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.

001:017 And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.

001:018 For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.

002:001 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.

002:002 I said of laughter, It is mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?

002:003 I sought in mine heart to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what was that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.

002:004 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

002:005 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all kind of fruits:

002:006 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

002:007 I got me servants and maidens, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

002:008 I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, as musical instruments, and that of all sorts.

002:009 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

002:010 And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

002:011 Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit, and there was no profit under the sun.

002:012 And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what can the man do that cometh after the king? even that which hath been already done.

002:013 Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

002:014 The wise man's eyes are in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that one event happeneth to them all.

002:015 Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I

said in my heart, that this also is vanity.

002:016 For there is no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that which now is in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise man? as the fool.

002:017 Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun is grievous unto me: for all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

002:018 Yea, I hated all my labour which I had taken under the sun: because I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.

002:019 And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise man or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This is also vanity.

002:020 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

002:021 For there is a man whose labour is in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a man that hath not laboured therein shall he leave it for his portion. This also is vanity and a great evil.

002:022 For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?

002:023 For all his days are sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.

002:024 There is nothing better for a man, than that he should eat and drink, and that he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it was from the hand of God.

002:025 For who can eat, or who else can hasten hereunto, more than I?

002:026 For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God. This also is vanity and vexation of spirit.

003:001 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

003:002 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

003:003 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

003:004 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

003:005 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

003:006 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast

away;

003:007 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

003:008 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

003:009 What profit hath he that worketh in that wherein he laboureth?

003:010 I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it.

003:011 He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.

003:012 I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice, and to do good in his life.

003:013 And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it is the gift of God.

003:014 I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him.

003:015 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past.

003:016 And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there.

003:017 I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

003:018 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.

003:019 For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all is vanity.

003:020 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.

003:021 Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth?

003:022 Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?

004:001 So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of such as were oppressed,

and they had no comforter; and on the side of their oppressors there was power; but they had no comforter.

004:002 Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are yet alive.

004:003 Yea, better is he than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the evil work that is done under the sun.

004:004 Again, I considered all travail, and every right work, that for this a man is envied of his neighbour. This is also vanity and vexation of spirit.

004:005 The fool foldeth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh.

004:006 Better is an handful with quietness, than both the hands full with travail and vexation of spirit.

004:007 Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.

004:008 There is one alone, and there is not a second; yea, he hath neither child nor brother: yet is there no end of all his labour; neither is his eye satisfied with riches; neither saith he, For whom do I labour, and bereave my soul of good? This is also vanity, yea, it is a sore travail.

004:009 Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

004:010 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up.

004:011 Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm alone?

004:012 And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

004:013 Better is a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, who will no more be admonished.

004:014 For out of prison he cometh to reign; whereas also he that is born in his kingdom becometh poor.

004:015 I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the second child that shall stand up in his stead.

004:016 There is no end of all the people, even of all that have been before them: they also that come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also is vanity and vexation of spirit.

005:001 Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools: for they consider not that they do evil.

005:002 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth:

therefore let thy words be few.

005:003 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fool's voice is known by multitude of words.

005:004 When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed.

005:005 Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.

005:006 Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; neither say thou before the angel, that it was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?

005:007 For in the multitude of dreams and many words there are also divers vanities: but fear thou God.

005:008 If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice in a province, marvel not at the matter: for he that is higher than the highest regardeth; and there be higher than they.

005:009 Moreover the profit of the earth is for all: the king himself is served by the field.

005:010 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this is also vanity.

005:011 When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good is there to the owners thereof, saving the beholding of them with their eyes?

005:012 The sleep of a labouring man is sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.

005:013 There is a sore evil which I have seen under the sun, namely, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.

005:014 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and there is nothing in his hand.

005:015 As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand.

005:016 And this also is a sore evil, that in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit hath he that hath laboured for the wind?

005:017 All his days also he eateth in darkness, and he hath much sorrow and wrath with his sickness.

005:018 Behold that which I have seen: it is good and comely for one to eat and to drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh under the sun all the days of his life, which God giveth him: for it is his portion.

005:019 Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this is the gift of God.

005:020 For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God answereth him in the joy of his heart.

006:001 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is common among men:

006:002 A man to whom God hath given riches, wealth, and honour, so that he wanteth nothing for his soul of all that he desireth, yet God giveth him not power to eat thereof, but a stranger eateth it: this is vanity, and it is an evil disease.

006:003 If a man beget an hundred children, and live many years, so that the days of his years be many, and his soul be not filled with good, and also that he have no burial; I say, that an untimely birth is better than he.

006:004 For he cometh in with vanity, and departeth in darkness, and his name shall be covered with darkness.

006:005 Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known any thing: this hath more rest than the other.

006:006 Yea, though he live a thousand years twice told, yet hath he seen no good: do not all go to one place?

006:007 All the labour of man is for his mouth, and yet the appetite is not filled.

006:008 For what hath the wise more than the fool? what hath the poor, that knoweth to walk before the living?

006:009 Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the desire: this is also vanity and vexation of spirit.

006:010 That which hath been is named already, and it is known that it is man: neither may he contend with him that is mightier than he.

006:011 Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what is man the better?

006:012 For who knoweth what is good for man in this life, all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a shadow? for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?

007:001 A good name is better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

007:002 It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart.

007:003 Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the

countenance the heart is made better.

007:004 The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.

007:005 It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.

007:006 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this also is vanity.

007:007 Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad; and a gift destroyeth the heart.

007:008 Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.

007:009 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

007:010 Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this.

007:011 Wisdom is good with an inheritance: and by it there is profit to them that see the sun.

007:012 For wisdom is a defence, and money is a defence: but the excellency of knowledge is, that wisdom giveth life to them that have it.

007:013 Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which he hath made crooked?

007:014 In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.

007:015 All things have I seen in the days of my vanity: there is a just man that perisheth in his righteousness, and there is a wicked man that prolongeth his life in his wickedness.

007:016 Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise: why shouldest thou destroy thyself ?

007:017 Be not over much wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldest thou die before thy time?

007:018 It is good that thou shouldest take hold of this; yea, also from this withdraw not thine hand: for he that feareth God shall come forth of them all.

007:019 Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty men which are in the city.

007:020 For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.

007:021 Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear

thy servant curse thee:
007:022 For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed others.
007:023 All this have I proved by wisdom: I said, I will be wise; but it was far from me.
007:024 That which is far off, and exceeding deep, who can find it out?
007:025 I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason of things, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness and madness:
007:026 And I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart is snares and nets, and her hands as bands: whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her.
007:027 Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, counting one by one, to find out the account:
007:028 Which yet my soul seeketh, but I find not: one man among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found.
007:029 Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions.
008:001 Who is as the wise man? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.
008:002 I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that in regard of the oath of God.
008:003 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.
008:004 Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?
008:005 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.
008:006 Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man is great upon him.
008:007 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?
008:008 There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death: and there is no discharge in that war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.
008:009 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: there is a time wherein one man ruleth over

another to his own hurt.

008:010 And so I saw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy, and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this is also vanity.

008:011 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

008:012 Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:

008:013 But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

008:014 There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just men, unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked men, to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is vanity.

008:015 Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun.

008:016 When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth: (for also there is that neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)

008:017 Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea farther; though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it.

009:001 For all this I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that the righteous, and the wise, and their works, are in the hand of God: no man knoweth either love or hatred by all that is before them.

009:002 All things come alike to all: there is one event to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as is the good, so is the sinner; and he that sweareth, as he that feareth an oath.

009:003 This is an evil among all things that are done under the sun, that there is one event unto all: yea, also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that they go to the dead.

009:004 For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion.

009:005 For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten.

009:006 Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.

009:007 Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works.

009:008 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.

009:009 Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that is thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.

009:010 Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

009:011 I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

009:012 For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so are the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.

009:013 This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it seemed great unto me:

009:014 There was a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it:

009:015 Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city; yet no man remembered that same poor man.

009:016 Then said I, Wisdom is better than strength: nevertheless the poor man's wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard.

009:017 The words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools.

009:018 Wisdom is better than weapons of war: but one sinner destroyeth much good.

010:001 Dead flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savour: so doth a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom and honour.

010:002 A wise man's heart is at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left.

010:003 Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his wisdom faileth him, and he saith to every one that he is a fool.

010:004 If the spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, leave not thy place; for yielding pacifieth great offences.

010:005 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, as an error which proceedeth from the ruler:

010:006 Folly is set in great dignity, and the rich sit in low place.

010:007 I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking as servants upon the earth.

010:008 He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an hedge, a serpent shall bite him.

010:009 Whoso removeth stones shall be hurt therewith; and he that cleaveth wood shall be endangered thereby.

010:010 If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct.

010:011 Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment; and a babbler is no better.

010:012 The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.

010:013 The beginning of the words of his mouth is foolishness: and the end of his talk is mischievous madness.

010:014 A fool also is full of words: a man cannot tell what shall be; and what shall be after him, who can tell him?

010:015 The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city.

010:016 Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes eat in the morning!

010:017 Blessed art thou, O land, when thy king is the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness!

010:018 By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

010:019 A feast is made for laughter, and wine maketh merry: but money answereth all things.

010:020 Curse not the king, no not in thy thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that

which hath wings shall tell the matter.

011:001 Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.

011:002 Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth.

011:003 If the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves upon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.

011:004 He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.

011:005 As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do grow in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.

011:006 In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.

011:007 Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun:

011:008 But if a man live many years, and rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many. All that cometh is vanity.

011:009 Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.

011:010 Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for childhood and youth are vanity.

012:001 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

012:002 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

012:003 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

012:004 And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;

012:005 Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high, and fears shall

- be in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:
- 012:006 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.
- 012:007 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.
- 012:008 Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity.
- 012:009 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.
- 012:010 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which was written was upright, even words of truth.
- 012:011 The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.
- 012:012 And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.
- 012:013 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.
- 012:014 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

Lamentations

- 001:001 How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people! how is she become as a widow! she that was great among the nations, and princess among the provinces, how is she become tributary!
- 001:002 She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks: among all her lovers she hath none to comfort her: all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies.
- 001:003 Judah is gone into captivity because of affliction, and because of great servitude: she dwelleth among the heathen, she findeth no rest: all her persecutors overtook her between the straits.
- 001:004 The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts: all her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and she is in bitterness.
- 001:005 Her adversaries are the chief, her enemies prosper; for the LORD hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions: her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.
- 001:006 And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed: her princes are become like harts that find no pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.
- 001:007 Jerusalem remembered in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all her pleasant things that she had in the days of old, when her people fell into the hand of the enemy, and none did help her: the adversaries saw her, and did mock at her sabbaths.
- 001:008 Jerusalem hath grievously sinned; therefore she is removed: all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: yea, she sigheth, and turneth backward.
- 001:009 Her filthiness is in her skirts; she remembereth not her last end; therefore she came down wonderfully: she had no comforter. O LORD, behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified himself.
- 001:010 The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her pleasant things: for she hath seen that the heathen entered into her sanctuary, whom thou didst command that they should not enter into thy congregation.
- 001:011 All her people sigh, they seek bread; they have given their pleasant things for meat to relieve the soul: see, O LORD, and consider; for I am become vile.
- 001:012 Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the LORD hath afflicted me in the day of his fierce

anger.

001:013 From above hath he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaieth against them: he hath spread a net for my feet, he hath turned me back: he hath made me desolate and faint all the day.

001:014 The yoke of my transgressions is bound by his hand: they are wreathed, and come up upon my neck: he hath made my strength to fall, the LORD hath delivered me into their hands, from whom I am not able to rise up.

001:015 The LORD hath trodden under foot all my mighty men in the midst of me: he hath called an assembly against me to crush my young men: the LORD hath trodden the virgin, the daughter of Judah, as in a winepress.

001:016 For these things I weep; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the comforter that should relieve my soul is far from me: my children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed.

001:017 Zion spreadeth forth her hands, and there is none to comfort her: the LORD hath commanded concerning Jacob, that his adversaries should be round about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.

001:018 The LORD is righteous; for I have rebelled against his commandment: hear, I pray you, all people, and behold my sorrow: my virgins and my young men are gone into captivity.

001:019 I called for my lovers, but they deceived me: my priests and mine elders gave up the ghost in the city, while they sought their meat to relieve their souls.

001:020 Behold, O LORD; for I am in distress: my bowels are troubled; mine heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled: abroad the sword bereaveth, at home there is as death.

001:021 They have heard that I sigh: there is none to comfort me: all mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they are glad that thou hast done it: thou wilt bring the day that thou hast called, and they shall be like unto me.

001:022 Let all their wickedness come before thee; and do unto them, as thou hast done unto me for all my transgressions: for my sighs are many, and my heart is faint.

002:001 How hath the LORD covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger, and cast down from heaven unto the earth the beauty of Israel, and remembered not his footstool in the day of his anger!

002:002 The LORD hath swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and

- hath not pitied: he hath thrown down in his wrath the strong holds of the daughter of Judah; he hath brought them down to the ground: he hath polluted the kingdom and the princes thereof.
- 002:003 He hath cut off in his fierce anger all the horn of Israel: he hath drawn back his right hand from before the enemy, and he burned against Jacob like a flaming fire, which devoureth round about.
- 002:004 He hath bent his bow like an enemy: he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and slew all that were pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: he poured out his fury like fire.
- 002:005 The LORD was as an enemy: he hath swallowed up Israel, he hath swallowed up all her palaces: he hath destroyed his strong holds, and hath increased in the daughter of Judah mourning and lamentation.
- 002:006 And he hath violently taken away his tabernacle, as if it were of a garden: he hath destroyed his places of the assembly: the LORD hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest.
- 002:007 The LORD hath cast off his altar, he hath abhorred his sanctuary, he hath given up into the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of the LORD, as in the day of a solemn feast.
- 002:008 The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: he hath stretched out a line, he hath not withdrawn his hand from destroying: therefore he made the rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together.
- 002:009 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her king and her princes are among the Gentiles: the law is no more; her prophets also find no vision from the LORD.
- 002:010 The elders of the daughter of Zion sit upon the ground, and keep silence: they have cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.
- 002:011 Mine eyes do fail with tears, my bowels are troubled, my liver is poured upon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people; because the children and the sucklings swoon in the streets of the city.
- 002:012 They say to their mothers, Where is corn and wine? when they swooned as the wounded in the streets of the city, when their soul was poured out into their mothers' bosom.

002:013 What thing shall I take to witness for thee? what thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? for thy breach is great like the sea: who can heal thee?

002:014 Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment.

002:015 All that pass by clap their hands at thee; they hiss and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem, saying, Is this the city that men call The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth?

002:016 All thine enemies have opened their mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth: they say, We have swallowed her up: certainly this is the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen it.

002:017 The LORD hath done that which he had devised; he hath fulfilled his word that he had commanded in the days of old: he hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and he hath caused thine enemy to rejoice over thee, he hath set up the horn of thine adversaries.

002:018 Their heart cried unto the LORD, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.

002:019 Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water before the face of the LORD: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street.

002:020 Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the women eat their fruit, and children of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?

002:021 The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword; thou hast slain them in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, and not pitied.

002:022 Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about, so that in the day of the LORD's anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.

003:001 I AM the man that hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath.

003:002 He hath led me, and brought me into darkness, but not into light.

003:003 Surely against me is he turned; he turneth his hand against me all the day.

003:004 My flesh and my skin hath he made old; he hath broken my bones.
003:005 He hath builded against me, and compassed me with gall and travail.
003:006 He hath set me in dark places, as they that be dead of old.
003:007 He hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my chain heavy.
003:008 Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.
003:009 He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked.
003:010 He was unto me as a bear lying in wait, and as a lion in secret places.
003:011 He hath turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces: he hath made me desolate.
003:012 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.
003:013 He hath caused the arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.
003:014 I was a derision to all my people; and their song all the day.
003:015 He hath filled me with bitterness, he hath made me drunken with wormwood.
003:016 He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones, he hath covered me with ashes.
003:017 And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgot prosperity.
003:018 And I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:
003:019 Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.
003:020 My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.
003:021 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.
003:022 It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.
003:023 They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.
003:024 The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.
003:025 The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.
003:026 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.
003:027 It is good for a man that he bear the yoke of his youth.
003:028 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him.
003:029 He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.

003:030 He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach.

003:031 For the LORD will not cast off for ever:

003:032 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

003:033 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

003:034 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth.

003:035 To turn aside the right of a man before the face of the most High,

003:036 To subvert a man in his cause, the LORD approveth not.

003:037 Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not?

003:038 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good?

003:039 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?

003:040 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

003:041 Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens.

003:042 We have transgressed and have rebelled: thou hast not pardoned.

003:043 Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain, thou hast not pitied.

003:044 Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that our prayer should not pass through.

003:045 Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people.

003:046 All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.

003:047 Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.

003:048 Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of the daughter of my people.

003:049 Mine eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission.

003:050 Till the LORD look down, and behold from heaven.

003:051 Mine eye affecteth mine heart because of all the daughters of my city.

003:052 Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.

003:053 They have cut off my life in the dungeon, and cast a stone upon me.

003:054 Waters flowed over mine head; then I said, I am cut off.

003:055 I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.

003:056 Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.

003:057 Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon thee: thou saidst,

Fear not.

003:058 O LORD, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast redeemed my life.

003:059 O LORD, thou hast seen my wrong: judge thou my cause.

003:060 Thou hast seen all their vengeance and all their imaginations against me.

003:061 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, and all their imaginations against me;

003:062 The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day.

003:063 Behold their sitting down, and their rising up; I am their musick.

003:064 Render unto them a recompence, O LORD, according to the work of their hands.

003:065 Give them sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.

003:066 Persecute and destroy them in anger from under the heavens of the LORD.

004:001 How is the gold become dim! how is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street.

004:002 The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!

004:003 Even the sea monsters draw out the breast, they give suck to their young ones: the daughter of my people is become cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness.

004:004 The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the young children ask bread, and no man breaketh it unto them.

004:005 They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills.

004:006 For the punishment of the iniquity of the daughter of my people is greater than the punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands stayed on her.

004:007 Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was of sapphire:

004:008 Their visage is blacker than a coal; they are not known in the streets: their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick.

004:009 They that be slain with the sword are better than they that be slain with hunger: for these pine away, stricken through for want of the

fruits of the field.

- 004:010 The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.
- 004:011 The LORD hath accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, and hath kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.
- 004:012 The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world, would not have believed that the adversary and the enemy should have entered into the gates of Jerusalem.
- 004:013 For the sins of her prophets, and the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her,
- 004:014 They have wandered as blind men in the streets, they have polluted themselves with blood, so that men could not touch their garments.
- 004:015 They cried unto them, Depart ye; it is unclean; depart, depart, touch not: when they fled away and wandered, they said among the heathen, They shall no more sojourn there.
- 004:016 The anger of the LORD hath divided them; he will no more regard them: they respected not the persons of the priests, they favoured not the elders.
- 004:017 As for us, our eyes as yet failed for our vain help: in our watching we have watched for a nation that could not save us.
- 004:018 They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets: our end is near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come.
- 004:019 Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness.
- 004:020 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.
- 004:021 Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Uz; the cup also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.
- 004:022 The punishment of thine iniquity is accomplished, O daughter of Zion; he will no more carry thee away into captivity: he will visit thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom; he will discover thy sins.
- 005:001 Remember, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach.
- 005:002 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.

005:003 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers are as widows.
005:004 We have drunken our water for money; our wood is sold unto us.
005:005 Our necks are under persecution: we labour, and have no rest.
005:006 We have given the hand to the Egyptians, and to the Assyrians, to
be satisfied with bread.
005:007 Our fathers have sinned, and are not; and we have borne their
iniquities.
005:008 Servants have ruled over us: there is none that doth deliver us out
of their hand.
005:009 We gat our bread with the peril of our lives because of the sword
of the wilderness.
005:010 Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible famine.
005:011 They ravished the women in Zion, and the maids in the cities of
Judah.
005:012 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not
honoured.
005:013 They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the
wood.
005:014 The elders have ceased from the gate, the young men from their
musick.
005:015 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.
005:016 The crown is fallen from our head: woe unto us, that we have
sinned!
005:017 For this our heart is faint; for these things our eyes are dim.
005:018 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walk
upon it.
005:019 Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to
generation.
005:020 Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long
time?
005:021 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew
our days as of old.
005:022 But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.

Micah

- 001:001 The word of the LORD that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.
- 001:002 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD be witness against you, the LORD from his holy temple.
- 001:003 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth.
- 001:004 And the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, and as the waters that are poured down a steep place.
- 001:005 For the transgression of Jacob is all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What is the transgression of Jacob? is it not Samaria? and what are the high places of Judah? are they not Jerusalem?
- 001:006 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, and as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof.
- 001:007 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered it of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.
- 001:008 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the owls.
- 001:009 For her wound is incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.
- 001:010 Declare ye it not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.
- 001:011 Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Bethazel; he shall receive of you his standing.
- 001:012 For the inhabitant of Maroth waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem.
- 001:013 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she is the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.
- 001:014 Therefore shalt thou give presents to Moreshethgath: the houses of Achzib shall be a lie to the kings of Israel.

001:015 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.

001:016 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

002:001 Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.

002:002 And they covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.

002:003 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time is evil.

002:004 In that day shall one take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, and say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed it from me! turning away he hath divided our fields.

002:005 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the LORD.

002:006 Prophecy ye not, say they to them that prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, that they shall not take shame.

002:007 O thou that art named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the LORD straitened? are these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh uprightly?

002:008 Even of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.

002:009 The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.

002:010 Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.

002:011 If a man walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, saying, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.

002:012 I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of men.

002:013 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and their

king shall pass before them, and the LORD on the head of them.

003:001 And I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel; Is it not for you to know judgment?

003:002 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones;

003:003 Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.

003:004 Then shall they cry unto the LORD, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.

003:005 Thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that make my people err, that bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him.

003:006 Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.

003:007 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God.

003:008 But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.

003:009 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

003:010 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.

003:011 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the LORD, and say, Is not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us.

003:012 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed as a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

004:001 But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.

004:002 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for

the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

004:003 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

004:004 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

004:005 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.

004:006 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;

004:007 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.

004:008 And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

004:009 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.

004:010 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

004:011 Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.

004:012 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.

004:013 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

005:001 Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.

005:002 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the

thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

005:003 Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

005:004 And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.

005:005 And this man shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men.

005:006 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.

005:007 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.

005:008 And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

005:009 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

005:010 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:

005:011 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:

005:012 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more soothsayers:

005:013 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.

005:014 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy cities.

005:015 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.

006:001 Hear ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou before the

mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

006:002 Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.

006:003 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.

006:004 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

006:005 O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD.

006:006 Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old?

006:007 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

006:008 He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

006:009 The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

006:010 Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable?

006:011 Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?

006:012 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in their mouth.

006:013 Therefore also will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making thee desolate because of thy sins.

006:014 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.

006:015 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.

006:016 For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a

desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.

007:001 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grape gleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.

007:002 The good man is perished out of the earth: and there is none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.

007:003 That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge asketh for a reward; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.

007:004 The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

007:005 Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.

007:006 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies are the men of his own house.

007:007 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

007:008 Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.

007:009 I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness.

007:010 Then she that is mine enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.

007:011 In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the decree be far removed.

007:012 In that day also he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and from the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and from mountain to mountain.

007:013 Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

007:014 Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in

Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.

007:015 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous things.

007:016 The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

007:017 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.

007:018 Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy.

007:019 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

007:020 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

Malachi

- 001:001 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.
- 001:002 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,
- 001:003 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.
- 001:004 Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.
- 001:005 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified from the border of Israel.
- 001:006 A son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?
- 001:007 Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD is contemptible.
- 001:008 And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, is it not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, is it not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts.
- 001:009 And now, I pray you, beseech God that he will be gracious unto us: this hath been by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.
- 001:010 Who is there even among you that would shut the doors for nought? neither do ye kindle fire on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, saith the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand.
- 001:011 For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 001:012 But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD is polluted; and the fruit thereof, even his meat, is contemptible.

001:013 Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts; and ye brought that which was torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.

001:014 But cursed be the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the LORD a corrupt thing: for I am a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name is dreadful among the heathen.

002:001 And now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you.

002:002 If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart.

002:003 Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your solemn feasts; and one shall take you away with it.

002:004 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

002:005 My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my name.

002:006 The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity.

002:007 For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

002:008 But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

002:009 Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law.

002:010 Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?

002:011 Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved, and hath married the daughter of a strange god.

- 002:012 The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this, the master and the scholar, out of the tabernacles of Jacob, and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.
- 002:013 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiveth it with good will at your hand.
- 002:014 Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.
- 002:015 And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.
- 002:016 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.
- 002:017 Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied him? When ye say, Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, Where is the God of judgment?
- 003:001 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the LORD, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 003:002 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:
- 003:003 And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.
- 003:004 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in former years.
- 003:005 And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the LORD

of hosts.

- 003:006 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.
- 003:007 Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye said, Wherein shall we return?
- 003:008 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.
- 003:009 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.
- 003:010 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.
- 003:011 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 003:012 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 003:013 Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, What have we spoken so much against thee?
- 003:014 Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?
- 003:015 And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered.
- 003:016 Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.
- 003:017 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.
- 003:018 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.
- 004:001 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that

it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

004:002 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

004:003 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.

004:004 Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

004:005 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

004:006 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

Haggai

- 001:001 In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, saying,
- 001:002 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built.
- 001:003 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,
- 001:004 Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house lie waste?
- 001:005 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.
- 001:006 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.
- 001:007 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.
- 001:008 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.
- 001:009 Ye looked for much, and, lo it came to little; and when ye brought it home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of mine house that is waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.
- 001:010 Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed from her fruit.
- 001:011 And I called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon that which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.
- 001:012 Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people did fear before the LORD.
- 001:013 Then spake Haggai the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message unto the people, saying, I am with you, saith the LORD.
- 001:014 And the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of

hosts, their God,

001:015 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

002:001 In the seventh month, in the one and twentieth day of the month, came the word of the LORD by the prophet Haggai, saying,

002:002 Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,

002:003 Who is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? and how do ye see it now? is it not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?

002:004 Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the LORD, and work: for I am with you, saith the LORD of hosts:

002:005 According to the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.

002:006 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;

002:007 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

002:008 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

002:009 The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.

002:010 In the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

002:011 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ask now the priests concerning the law, saying,

002:012 If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or pottage, or wine, or oil, or any meat, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said, No.

002:013 Then said Haggai, If one that is unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean.

002:014 Then answered Haggai, and said, So is this people, and so is this nation before me, saith the LORD; and so is every work of their hands; and that which they offer there is unclean.

002:015 And now, I pray you, consider from this day and upward, from before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of the LORD:

002:016 Since those days were, when one came to an heap of twenty measures, there were but ten: when one came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty vessels out of the press, there were but twenty.

002:017 I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your hands; yet ye turned not to me, saith the LORD.

002:018 Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, even from the day that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, consider it.

002:019 Is the seed yet in the barn? yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, hath not brought forth: from this day will I bless you.

002:020 And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth day of the month, saying,

002:021 Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth;

002:022 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.

002:023 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the LORD, and will make thee as a signet: for I have chosen thee, saith the LORD of hosts.

Nahum

- 001:001 The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.
- 001:002 God is jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.
- 001:003 The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.
- 001:004 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.
- 001:005 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.
- 001:006 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.
- 001:007 The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.
- 001:008 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.
- 001:009 What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.
- 001:010 For while they be folden together as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.
- 001:011 There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor.
- 001:012 Thus saith the LORD; Though they be quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.
- 001:013 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.
- 001:014 And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, that no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.
- 001:015 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee;

he is utterly cut off.

- 002:001 He that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make thy loins strong, fortify thy power mightily.
- 002:002 For the LORD hath turned away the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.
- 002:003 The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet: the chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.
- 002:004 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.
- 002:005 He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared.
- 002:006 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.
- 002:007 And Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead her as with the voice of doves, tabering upon their breasts.
- 002:008 But Nineveh is of old like a pool of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, shall they cry; but none shall look back.
- 002:009 Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold: for there is none end of the store and glory out of all the pleasant furniture.
- 002:010 She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much pain is in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.
- 002:011 Where is the dwelling of the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, even the old lion, walked, and the lion's whelp, and none made them afraid?
- 002:012 The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.
- 002:013 Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.
- 003:001 Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the prey departeth not;

003:002 The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the prancing horses, and of the jumping chariots.

003:003 The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and there is a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcases; and there is none end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:

003:004 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.

003:005 Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.

003:006 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

003:007 And it shall come to pass, that all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

003:008 Art thou better than populous No, that was situate among the rivers, that had the waters round about it, whose rampart was the sea, and her wall was from the sea?

003:009 Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, and it was infinite; Put and Lubim were thy helpers.

003:010 Yet was she carried away, she went into captivity: her young children also were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chains.

003:011 Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of the enemy.

003:012 All thy strong holds shall be like fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.

003:013 Behold, thy people in the midst of thee are women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.

003:014 Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into clay, and tread the mortar, make strong the brickkiln.

003:015 There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.

003:016 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm spoileth, and fleeth away.

003:017 Thy crowned are as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, but when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they are.

003:018 Thy shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall dwell in the dust: thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth them.

003:019 There is no healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed continually?

Obadiah

- 001:001 The vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom; We have heard a rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen, Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle.
- 001:002 Behold, I have made thee small among the heathen: thou art greatly despised.
- 001:003 The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?
- 001:004 Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.
- 001:005 If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (how art thou cut off!) would they not have stolen till they had enough? if the grapegatherers came to thee, would they not leave some grapes?
- 001:006 How are the things of Esau searched out! how are his hidden things sought up!
- 001:007 All the men of thy confederacy have brought thee even to the border: the men that were at peace with thee have deceived thee, and prevailed against thee; that they eat thy bread have laid a wound under thee: there is none understanding in him.
- 001:008 Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD, even destroy the wise men out of Edom, and understanding out of the mount of Esau?
- 001:009 And thy mighty men, O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that every one of the mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.
- 001:010 For thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.
- 001:011 In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them.
- 001:012 But thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress.
- 001:013 Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid hands on their

- substance in the day of their calamity;
- 001:014 Neither shouldst thou have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldst thou have delivered up those of his that did remain in the day of distress.
- 001:015 For the day of the LORD is near upon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own head.
- 001:016 For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain, so shall all the heathen drink continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall swallow down, and they shall be as though they had not been.
- 001:017 But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.
- 001:018 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be any remaining of the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken it.
- 001:019 And they of the south shall possess the mount of Esau; and they of the plain the Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and Benjamin shall possess Gilead.
- 001:020 And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel shall possess that of the Canaanites, even unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which is in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south.
- 001:021 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

Habakkuk

- 001:001 The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.
- 001:002 O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! even cry out unto thee of violence, and thou wilt not save!
- 001:003 Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause me to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence are before me: and there are that raise up strife and contention.
- 001:004 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.
- 001:005 Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvelously: for I will work a work in your days which ye will not believe, though it be told you.
- 001:006 For, lo, I raise up the Chaldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the breadth of the land, to possess the dwellingplaces that are not their's.
- 001:007 They are terrible and dreadful: their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves.
- 001:008 Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are more fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the eagle that hasteth to eat.
- 001:009 They shall come all for violence: their faces shall sup up as the east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand.
- 001:010 And they shall scoff at the kings, and the princes shall be a scorn unto them: they shall deride every strong hold; for they shall heap dust, and take it.
- 001:011 Then shall his mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend, imputing this his power unto his god.
- 001:012 Art thou not from everlasting, O LORD my God, mine Holy One? we shall not die. O LORD, thou hast ordained them for judgment; and, O mighty God, thou hast established them for correction.
- 001:013 Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, and holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth the man that is more righteous than he?
- 001:014 And makest men as the fishes of the sea, as the creeping things, that have no ruler over them?
- 001:015 They take up all of them with the angle, they catch them in their

net, and gather them in their drag: therefore they rejoice and are glad.

001:016 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto their drag; because by them their portion is fat, and their meat plenteous.

001:017 Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

002:001 I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reprov'd.

002:002 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

002:003 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.

002:004 Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

002:005 Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, he is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people:

002:006 Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his! how long? and to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!

002:007 Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite thee, and awake that shall vex thee, and thou shalt be for booties unto them?

002:008 Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee; because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

002:009 Woe to him that coveteth an evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the power of evil!

002:010 Thou hast consulted shame to thy house by cutting off many people, and hast sinned against thy soul.

002:011 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it.

002:012 Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity!

002:013 Behold, is it not of the LORD of hosts that the people shall labour

in the very fire, and the people shall weary themselves for very vanity?

002:014 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

002:015 Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!

002:016 Thou art filled with shame for glory: drink thou also, and let thy foreskin be uncovered: the cup of the LORD's right hand shall be turned unto thee, and shameful spewing shall be on thy glory.

002:017 For the violence of Lebanon shall cover thee, and the spoil of beasts, which made them afraid, because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

002:018 What profiteth the graven image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the molten image, and a teacher of lies, that the maker of his work trusteth therein, to make dumb idols?

002:019 Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach! Behold, it is laid over with gold and silver, and there is no breath at all in the midst of it.

002:020 But the LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.

003:001 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon Shigionoth.

003:002 O LORD, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O LORD, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.

003:003 God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.

003:004 And his brightness was as the light; he had horns coming out of his hand: and there was the hiding of his power.

003:005 Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at his feet.

003:006 He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways are everlasting.

003:007 I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction: and the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble.

003:008 Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? was thine anger against the rivers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation?

003:009 Thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word. Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers.

003:010 The mountains saw thee, and they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, and lifted up his hands on high.

003:011 The sun and moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear.

003:012 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.

003:013 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, even for salvation with thine anointed; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.

003:014 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing was as to devour the poor secretly.

003:015 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters.

003:016 When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops.

003:017 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

003:018 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

003:019 The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.

Amos

- 001:001 The words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the earthquake.
- 001:002 And he said, The LORD will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.
- 001:003 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Damascus, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of iron:
- 001:004 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Benhadad.
- 001:005 I will break also the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the plain of Aven, and him that holdeth the sceptre from the house of Eden: and the people of Syria shall go into captivity unto Kir, saith the LORD.
- 001:006 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Gaza, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they carried away captive the whole captivity, to deliver them up to Edom:
- 001:007 But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces thereof:
- 001:008 And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre from Ashkelon, and I will turn mine hand against Ekron: and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, saith the Lord GOD.
- 001:009 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Tyrus, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they delivered up the whole captivity to Edom, and remembered not the brotherly covenant:
- 001:010 But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.
- 001:011 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because he did pursue his brother with the sword, and did cast off all pity, and his anger did tear perpetually, and he kept his wrath for ever:
- 001:012 But I will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.

001:013 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border:

001:014 But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind:

001:015 And their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together, saith the LORD.

002:001 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Moab, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:

002:002 But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kirioth: and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet:

002:003 And I will cut off the judge from the midst thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.

002:004 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they have despised the law of the LORD, and have not kept his commandments, and their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked:

002:005 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.

002:006 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes;

002:007 That pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: and a man and his father will go in unto the same maid, to profane my holy name:

002:008 And they lay themselves down upon clothes laid to pledge by every altar, and they drink the wine of the condemned in the house of their god.

002:009 Yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath.

002:010 Also I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.

002:011 And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites. Is it not even thus, O ye children of Israel? saith the

LORD.

002:012 But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophecy not.

002:013 Behold, I am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed that is full of sheaves.

002:014 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliver himself:

002:015 Neither shall he stand that handleth the bow; and he that is swift of foot shall not deliver himself: neither shall he that rideth the horse deliver himself.

002:016 And he that is courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked in that day, saith the LORD.

003:001 Hear this word that the LORD hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying,

003:002 You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.

003:003 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

003:004 Will a lion roar in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?

003:005 Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin is for him? shall one take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?

003:006 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?

003:007 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

003:008 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?

003:009 Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the great tumults in the midst thereof, and the oppressed in the midst thereof.

003:010 For they know not to do right, saith the LORD, who store up violence and robbery in their palaces.

003:011 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; An adversary there shall be even round about the land; and he shall bring down thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.

003:012 Thus saith the LORD; As the shepherd taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear; so shall the children of

Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed,
and in Damascus in a couch.

003:013 Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord GOD, the
God of hosts,

003:014 That in the day that I shall visit the transgressions of Israel upon
him I will also visit the altars of Bethel: and the horns of the altar
shall be cut off, and fall to the ground.

003:015 And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the
houses of ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall have an
end, saith the LORD.

004:001 Hear this word, ye kine of Bashan, that are in the mountain of
Samaria, which oppress the poor, which crush the needy, which
say to their masters, Bring, and let us drink.

004:002 The Lord GOD hath sworn by his holiness, that, lo, the days shall
come upon you, that he will take you away with hooks, and your
posterity with fishhooks.

004:003 And ye shall go out at the breaches, every cow at that which is
before her; and ye shall cast them into the palace, saith the
LORD.

004:004 Come to Bethel, and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression;
and bring your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes after
three years:

004:005 And offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, and proclaim and
publish the free offerings: for this liketh you, O ye children of
Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

004:006 And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and
want of bread in all your places: yet have ye not returned unto
me, saith the LORD.

004:007 And also I have withholden the rain from you, when there were yet
three months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city,
and caused it not to rain upon another city: one piece was rained
upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered.

004:008 So two or three cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but
they were not satisfied: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith
the LORD.

004:009 I have smitten you with blasting and mildew: when your gardens
and your vineyards and your fig trees and your olive trees
increased, the palmerworm devoured them: yet have ye not
returned unto me, saith the LORD.

004:010 I have sent among you the pestilence after the manner of Egypt:

your young men have I slain with the sword, and have taken away your horses; and I have made the stink of your camps to come up unto your nostrils: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

004:011 I have overthrown some of you, as God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and ye were as a firebrand plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.

004:012 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will do this unto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.

004:013 For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, is his name.

005:001 Hear ye this word which I take up against you, even a lamentation, O house of Israel.

005:002 The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is forsaken upon her land; there is none to raise her up.

005:003 For thus saith the Lord GOD; The city that went out by a thousand shall leave an hundred, and that which went forth by an hundred shall leave ten, to the house of Israel.

005:004 For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, Seek ye me, and ye shall live:

005:005 But seek not Bethel, nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beersheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and Bethel shall come to nought.

005:006 Seek the LORD, and ye shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and devour it, and there be none to quench it in Bethel.

005:007 Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth,

005:008 Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD is his name:

005:009 That strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress.

005:010 They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly.

005:011 Forasmuch therefore as your treading is upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens of wheat: ye have built houses of hewn

stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have planted pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.

005:012 For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins: they afflict the just, they take a bribe, and they turn aside the poor in the gate from their right.

005:013 Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it is an evil time.

005:014 Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.

005:015 Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.

005:016 Therefore the LORD, the God of hosts, the LORD, saith thus; Wailing shall be in all streets; and they shall say in all the highways, Alas! alas! and they shall call the husbandman to mourning, and such as are skilful of lamentation to wailing.

005:017 And in all vineyards shall be wailing: for I will pass through thee, saith the LORD.

005:018 Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end is it for you? the day of the LORD is darkness, and not light.

005:019 As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.

005:020 Shall not the day of the LORD be darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it?

005:021 I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not smell in your solemn assemblies.

005:022 Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I will not accept them: neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts.

005:023 Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy viols.

005:024 But let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

005:025 Have ye offered unto me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel?

005:026 But ye have borne the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of your god, which ye made to yourselves.

005:027 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus, saith the LORD, whose name is The God of hosts.

006:001 Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of

Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!

- 006:002 Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go down to Gath of the Philistines: be they better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than your border?
- 006:003 Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near;
- 006:004 That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;
- 006:005 That chant to the sound of the viol, and invent to themselves instruments of musick, like David;
- 006:006 That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.
- 006:007 Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed.
- 006:008 The Lord GOD hath sworn by himself, saith the LORD the God of hosts, I abhor the excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces: therefore will I deliver up the city with all that is therein.
- 006:009 And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house, that they shall die.
- 006:010 And a man's uncle shall take him up, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that is by the sides of the house, Is there yet any with thee? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Hold thy tongue: for we may not make mention of the name of the LORD.
- 006:011 For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with breaches, and the little house with clefts.
- 006:012 Shall horses run upon the rock? will one plow there with oxen? for ye have turned judgment into gall, and the fruit of righteousness into hemlock:
- 006:013 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength?
- 006:014 But, behold, I will raise up against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD the God of hosts; and they shall afflict you from the entering in of Hemath unto the river of the wilderness.
- 007:001 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings.

007:002 And it came to pass, that when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.

007:003 The LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.

007:004 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.

007:005 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.

007:006 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.

007:007 Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the LORD stood upon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

007:008 And the LORD said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said the LORD, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again pass by them any more:

007:009 And the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.

007:010 Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words.

007:011 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land.

007:012 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there:

007:013 But prophesy not again any more at Bethel: for it is the king's chapel, and it is the king's court.

007:014 Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, I was no prophet, neither was I a prophet's son; but I was an herdman, and a gatherer of sycamore fruit:

007:015 And the LORD took me as I followed the flock, and the LORD said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel.

007:016 Now therefore hear thou the word of the LORD: Thou sayest, Prophecy not against Israel, and drop not thy word against the house of Isaac.

007:017 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be divided by line; and thou shalt die in a polluted

land: and Israel shall surely go into captivity forth of his land.

008:001 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of summer fruit.

008:002 And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of summer fruit. Then said the LORD unto me, The end is come upon my people of Israel; I will not again pass by them any more.

008:003 And the songs of the temple shall be howlings in that day, saith the Lord GOD: there shall be many dead bodies in every place; they shall cast them forth with silence.

008:004 Hear this, O ye that swallow up the needy, even to make the poor of the land to fail,

008:005 Saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and the sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and falsifying the balances by deceit?

008:006 That we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes; yea, and sell the refuse of the wheat?

008:007 The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works.

008:008 Shall not the land tremble for this, and every one mourn that dwelleth therein? and it shall rise up wholly as a flood; and it shall be cast out and drowned, as by the flood of Egypt.

008:009 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:

008:010 And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; and I will bring up sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every head; and I will make it as the mourning of an only son, and the end thereof as a bitter day.

008:011 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:

008:012 And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it.

008:013 In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.

008:014 They that swear by the sin of Samaria, and say, Thy god, O Dan, liveth; and, The manner of Beersheba liveth; even they shall fall, and never rise up again.

009:001 I saw the LORD standing upon the altar: and he said, Smite the lintel of the door, that the posts may shake: and cut them in the

head, all of them; and I will slay the last of them with the sword:
he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of
them shall not be delivered.

- 009:002 Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them;
though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down:
- 009:003 And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search
and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight
in the bottom of the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and
he shall bite them:
- 009:004 And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will
I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine
eyes upon them for evil, and not for good.
- 009:005 And the Lord GOD of hosts is he that toucheth the land, and it
shall melt, and all that dwell therein shall mourn: and it shall rise
up wholly like a flood; and shall be drowned, as by the flood of
Egypt.
- 009:006 It is he that buildeth his stories in the heaven, and hath founded
his troop in the earth; he that calleth for the waters of the sea, and
poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD is his
name.
- 009:007 Are ye not as children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of
Israel? saith the LORD. Have not I brought up Israel out of the
land of Egypt? and the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians
from Kir?
- 009:008 Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD are upon the sinful kingdom,
and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will
not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the LORD.
- 009:009 For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all
nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least
grain fall upon the earth.
- 009:010 All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say, The
evil shall not overtake nor prevent us.
- 009:011 In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and
close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I
will build it as in the days of old:
- 009:012 That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the
heathen, which are called by my name, saith the LORD that doeth
this.
- 009:013 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall
overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth

seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

009:014 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

009:015 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God.

Jonah

- 001:001 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,
- 001:002 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me.
- 001:003 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.
- 001:004 But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken.
- 001:005 Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and cast forth the wares that were in the ship into the sea, to lighten it of them. But Jonah was gone down into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.
- 001:006 So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not.
- 001:007 And they said every one to his fellow, Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this evil is upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.
- 001:008 Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this evil is upon us; What is thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what is thy country? and of what people art thou?
- 001:009 And he said unto them, I am an Hebrew; and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, which hath made the sea and the dry land.
- 001:010 Then were the men exceedingly afraid, and said unto him. Why hast thou done this? For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.
- 001:011 Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto thee, that the sea may be calm unto us? for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous.
- 001:012 And he said unto them, Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest is upon you.
- 001:013 Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring it to the land; but they could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.
- 001:014 Wherefore they cried unto the LORD, and said, We beseech thee, O LORD, we beseech thee, let us not perish for this man's life,

and lay not upon us innocent blood: for thou, O LORD, hast done as it pleased thee.

001:015 So they look up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea ceased from her raging.

001:016 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice unto the LORD, and made vows.

001:017 Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

002:001 Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,

002:002 And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice.

002:003 For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the midst of the seas; and the floods compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.

002:004 Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple.

002:005 The waters compassed me about, even to the soul: the depth closed me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.

002:006 I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LORD my God.

002:007 When my soul fainted within me I remembered the LORD: and my prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple.

002:008 They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.

002:009 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed. Salvation is of the LORD.

002:010 And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land.

003:001 And the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying,

003:002 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.

003:003 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceeding great city of three days' journey.

003:004 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.

003:005 So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least

of them.

003:006 For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.

003:007 And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water:

003:008 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands.

003:009 Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

003:010 And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not.

004:001 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.

004:002 And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil.

004:003 Therefore now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live.

004:004 Then said the LORD, Doest thou well to be angry?

004:005 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.

004:006 And the LORD God prepared a gourd, and made it to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd.

004:007 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.

004:008 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, It is better for me to die than to live.

004:009 And God said to Jonah, Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well to be angry, even unto death.

004:010 Then said the LORD, Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for the

which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night:

004:011 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also much cattle?

Zephaniah

- 001:001 The word of the LORD which came unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hizkiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.
- 001:002 I will utterly consume all things from off the land, saith the LORD.
- 001:003 I will consume man and beast; I will consume the fowls of the heaven, and the fishes of the sea, and the stumblingblocks with the wicked: and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.
- 001:004 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, and the name of the Chemarims with the priests;
- 001:005 And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham;
- 001:006 And them that are turned back from the LORD; and those that have not sought the LORD, nor enquired for him.
- 001:007 Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD is at hand: for the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath bid his guests.
- 001:008 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD's sacrifice, that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.
- 001:009 In the same day also will I punish all those that leap on the threshold, which fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit.
- 001:010 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that there shall be the noise of a cry from the fish gate, and an howling from the second, and a great crashing from the hills.
- 001:011 Howl, ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are cut down; all they that bear silver are cut off.
- 001:012 And it shall come to pass at that time, that I will search Jerusalem with candles, and punish the men that are settled on their lees: that say in their heart, The LORD will not do good, neither will he do evil.
- 001:013 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they shall also build houses, but not inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, but not drink the wine thereof.
- 001:014 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly,

even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

001:015 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

001:016 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

001:017 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

001:018 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD's wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

002:001 Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not desired;

002:002 Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORD's anger come upon you.

002:003 Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD's anger.

002:004 For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.

002:005 Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD is against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.

002:006 And the sea coast shall be dwellings and cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks.

002:007 And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: for the LORD their God shall visit them, and turn away their captivity.

002:008 I have heard the reproach of Moab, and the revilings of the children of Ammon, whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified themselves against their border.

002:009 Therefore as I live, saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, even the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and a

perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them,
and the remnant of my people shall possess them.

002:010 This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached
and magnified themselves against the people of the LORD of
hosts.

002:011 The LORD will be terrible unto them: for he will famish all the gods
of the earth; and men shall worship him, every one from his place,
even all the isles of the heathen.

002:012 Ye Ethiopians also, ye shall be slain by my sword.

002:013 And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy
Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation, and dry like a
wilderness.

002:014 And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, all the beasts of the
nations: both the cormorant and the bittern shall lodge in the
upper lintels of it; their voice shall sing in the windows; desolation
shall be in the thresholds; for he shall uncover the cedar work.

002:015 This is the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, that said in her heart,
I am, and there is none beside me: how is she become a
desolation, a place for beasts to lie down in! every one that
passeth by her shall hiss, and wag his hand.

003:001 Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!

003:002 She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted
not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God.

003:003 Her princes within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening
wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

003:004 Her prophets are light and treacherous persons: her priests have
polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.

003:005 The just LORD is in the midst thereof; he will not do iniquity: every
morning doth he bring his judgment to light, he faileth not; but the
unjust knoweth no shame.

003:006 I have cut off the nations: their towers are desolate; I made their
streets waste, that none passeth by: their cities are destroyed, so
that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

003:007 I said, Surely thou wilt fear me, thou wilt receive instruction; so
their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoever I punished them:
but they rose early, and corrupted all their doings.

003:008 Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I
rise up to the prey: for my determination is to gather the nations,
that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine
indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be

devoured with the fire of my jealousy.

003:009 For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.

003:010 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, even the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.

003:011 In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of my holy mountain.

003:012 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.

003:013 The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid.

003:014 Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

003:015 The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the LORD, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.

003:016 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack.

003:017 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

003:018 I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden.

003:019 Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame.

003:020 At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the LORD.

Zechariah

- 001:001 In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,
- 001:002 The LORD hath been sore displeased with your fathers.
- 001:003 Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 001:004 Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith the LORD.
- 001:005 Your fathers, where are they? and the prophets, do they live for ever?
- 001:006 But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not take hold of your fathers? and they returned and said, Like as the LORD of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath he dealt with us.
- 001:007 Upon the four and twentieth day of the eleventh month, which is the month Sebat, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,
- 001:008 I saw by night, and behold a man riding upon a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that were in the bottom; and behind him were there red horses, speckled, and white.
- 001:009 Then said I, O my lord, what are these? And the angel that talked with me said unto me, I will shew thee what these be.
- 001:010 And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, These are they whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.
- 001:011 And they answered the angel of the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.
- 001:012 Then the angel of the LORD answered and said, O LORD of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation these threescore and ten years?
- 001:013 And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me with good

words and comfortable words.

001:014 So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.

001:015 And I am very sore displeased with the heathen that are at ease: for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.

001:016 Therefore thus saith the LORD; I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth upon Jerusalem.

001:017 Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad; and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.

001:018 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.

001:019 And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What be these? And he answered me, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.

001:020 And the LORD shewed me four carpenters.

001:021 Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles, which lifted up their horn over the land of Judah to scatter it.

002:001 I lifted up mine eyes again, and looked, and behold a man with a measuring line in his hand.

002:002 Then said I, Whither goest thou? And he said unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see what is the breadth thereof, and what is the length thereof.

002:003 And, behold, the angel that talked with me went forth, and another angel went out to meet him,

002:004 And said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, Jerusalem shall be inhabited as towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein:

002:005 For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.

002:006 Ho, ho, come forth, and flee from the land of the north, saith the LORD: for I have spread you abroad as the four winds of the heaven, saith the LORD.

002:007 Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon.

002:008 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me

unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.

002:009 For, behold, I will shake mine hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their servants: and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.

002:010 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.

002:011 And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto thee.

002:012 And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.

002:013 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out of his holy habitation.

003:001 And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

003:002 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

003:003 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.

003:004 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

003:005 And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.

003:006 And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua, saying,

003:007 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways, and if thou wilt keep my charge, then thou shalt also judge my house, and shalt also keep my courts, and I will give thee places to walk among these that stand by.

003:008 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.

003:009 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of

that land in one day.

003:010 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree.

004:001 And the angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep.

004:002 And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof:

004:003 And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof.

004:004 So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What are these, my lord?

004:005 Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.

004:006 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

004:007 Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it.

004:008 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

004:009 The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.

004:010 For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

004:011 Then answered I, and said unto him, What are these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof?

004:012 And I answered again, and said unto him, What be these two olive branches which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil out of themselves?

004:013 And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.

004:014 Then said he, These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the LORD of the whole earth.

005:001 Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a

flying roll.

005:002 And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length thereof is twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof ten cubits.

005:003 Then said he unto me, This is the curse that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for every one that stealeth shall be cut off as on this side according to it; and every one that sweareth shall be cut off as on that side according to it.

005:004 I will bring it forth, saith the LORD of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief, and into the house of him that sweareth falsely by my name: and it shall remain in the midst of his house, and shall consume it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof.

005:005 Then the angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now thine eyes, and see what is this that goeth forth.

005:006 And I said, What is it? And he said, This is an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover, This is their resemblance through all the earth.

005:007 And, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is a woman that sitteth in the midst of the ephah.

005:008 And he said, This is wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof.

005:009 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out two women, and the wind was in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heaven.

005:010 Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah?

005:011 And he said unto me, To build it an house in the land of Shinar: and it shall be established, and set there upon her own base.

006:001 And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of brass.

006:002 In the first chariot were red horses; and in the second chariot black horses;

006:003 And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot grisled and bay horses.

006:004 Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What are these, my lord?

006:005 And the angel answered and said unto me, These are the four

spirits of the heavens, which go forth from standing before the LORD of all the earth.

006:006 The black horses which are therein go forth into the north country; and the white go forth after them; and the grisled go forth toward the south country.

006:007 And the bay went forth, and sought to go that they might walk to and fro through the earth: and he said, Get you hence, walk to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and fro through the earth.

006:008 Then cried he upon me, and spake unto me, saying, Behold, these that go toward the north country have quieted my spirit in the north country.

006:009 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

006:010 Take of them of the captivity, even of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah, which are come from Babylon, and come thou the same day, and go into the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah;

006:011 Then take silver and gold, and make crowns, and set them upon the head of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest;

006:012 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD:

006:013 Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.

006:014 And the crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen the son of Zephaniah, for a memorial in the temple of the LORD.

006:015 And they that are far off shall come and build in the temple of the LORD, and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you. And this shall come to pass, if ye will diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God.

007:001 And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Darius, that the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah in the fourth day of the ninth month, even in Chisleu;

007:002 When they had sent unto the house of God Sherezer and Regemmelech, and their men, to pray before the LORD,

007:003 And to speak unto the priests which were in the house of the LORD of hosts, and to the prophets, saying, Should I weep in the

fifth month, separating myself, as I have done these so many years?

007:004 Then came the word of the LORD of hosts unto me, saying,

007:005 Speak unto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When ye fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh month, even those seventy years, did ye at all fast unto me, even to me?

007:006 And when ye did eat, and when ye did drink, did not ye eat for yourselves, and drink for yourselves?

007:007 Should ye not hear the words which the LORD hath cried by the former prophets, when Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when men inhabited the south and the plain?

007:008 And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying,

007:009 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment, and shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother:

007:010 And oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor; and let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart.

007:011 But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not hear.

007:012 Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets: therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts.

007:013 Therefore it is come to pass, that as he cried, and they would not hear; so they cried, and I would not hear, saith the LORD of hosts:

007:014 But I scattered them with a whirlwind among all the nations whom they knew not. Thus the land was desolate after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they laid the pleasant land desolate.

008:001 Again the word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying,

008:002 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury.

008:003 Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the LORD of hosts the holy mountain.

008:004 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age.

008:005 And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in

the streets thereof.

008:006 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? saith the LORD of hosts.

008:007 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from the west country;

008:008 And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.

008:009 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days these words by the mouth of the prophets, which were in the day that the foundation of the house of the LORD of hosts was laid, that the temple might be built.

008:010 For before these days there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast; neither was there any peace to him that went out or came in because of the affliction: for I set all men every one against his neighbour.

008:011 But now I will not be unto the residue of this people as in the former days, saith the LORD of hosts.

008:012 For the seed shall be prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these things.

008:013 And it shall come to pass, that as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, but let your hands be strong.

008:014 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; As I thought to punish you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, and I repented not:

008:015 So again have I thought in these days to do well unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.

008:016 These are the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:

008:017 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no false oath: for all these are things that I hate, saith the LORD.

008:018 And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying,

008:019 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The fast of the fourth month, and

the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and cheerful feasts; therefore love the truth and peace.

008:020 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; It shall yet come to pass, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities:

008:021 And the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also.

008:022 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.

008:023 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.

009:001 The burden of the word of the LORD in the land of Hadrach, and Damascus shall be the rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, shall be toward the LORD.

009:002 And Hamath also shall border thereby; Tyrus, and Zidon, though it be very wise.

009:003 And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and heaped up silver as the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets.

009:004 Behold, the LORD will cast her out, and he will smite her power in the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire.

009:005 Ashkelon shall see it, and fear; Gaza also shall see it, and be very sorrowful, and Ekron; for her expectation shall be ashamed; and the king shall perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon shall not be inhabited.

009:006 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.

009:007 And I will take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his teeth: but he that remaineth, even he, shall be for our God, and he shall be as a governor in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.

009:008 And I will encamp about mine house because of the army, because of him that passeth by, and because of him that returneth: and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes.

009:009 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt

the foal of an ass.

009:010 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off: and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: and his dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the river even to the ends of the earth.

009:011 As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water.

009:012 Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do I declare that I will render double unto thee;

009:013 When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

009:014 And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the LORD God shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.

009:015 The LORD of hosts shall defend them; and they shall devour, and subdue with sling stones; and they shall drink, and make a noise as through wine; and they shall be filled like bowls, and as the corners of the altar.

009:016 And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for they shall be as the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land.

009:017 For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! corn shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the maids.

010:001 Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

010:002 For the idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they were troubled, because there was no shepherd.

010:003 Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.

010:004 Out of him came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him the battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.

010:005 And they shall be as mighty men, which tread down their enemies in the mire of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD is with them, and the riders on horses shall be confounded.

010:006 And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I am the LORD their God, and will hear them.

010:007 And they of Ephraim shall be like a mighty man, and their heart shall rejoice as through wine: yea, their children shall see it, and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in the LORD.

010:008 I will hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them: and they shall increase as they have increased.

010:009 And I will sow them among the people: and they shall remember me in far countries; and they shall live with their children, and turn again.

010:010 I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and place shall not be found for them.

010:011 And he shall pass through the sea with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the deeps of the river shall dry up: and the pride of Assyria shall be brought down, and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart away.

010:012 And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and they shall walk up and down in his name, saith the LORD.

011:001 Open thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.

011:002 Howl, fir tree; for the cedar is fallen; because the mighty are spoiled: howl, O ye oaks of Bashan; for the forest of the vintage is come down.

011:003 There is a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for the pride of Jordan is spoiled.

011:004 Thus saith the LORD my God; Feed the flock of the slaughter;

011:005 Whose possessors slay them, and hold themselves not guilty: and they that sell them say, Blessed be the LORD; for I am rich: and their own shepherds pity them not.

011:006 For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD: but, lo, I will deliver the men every one into his neighbour's hand, and into the hand of his king: and they shall smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliver them.

011:007 And I will feed the flock of slaughter, even you, O poor of the flock. And I took unto me two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called Bands; and I fed the flock.

011:008 Three shepherds also I cut off in one month; and my soul lothed

them, and their soul also abhorred me.

011:009 Then said I, I will not feed you: that that dieth, let it die; and that that is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let the rest eat every one the flesh of another.

011:010 And I took my staff, even Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant which I had made with all the people.

011:011 And it was broken in that day: and so the poor of the flock that waited upon me knew that it was the word of the LORD.

011:012 And I said unto them, If ye think good, give me my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver.

011:013 And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prised at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.

011:014 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, even Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.

011:015 And the LORD said unto me, Take unto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepherd.

011:016 For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, which shall not visit those that be cut off, neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces.

011:017 Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

012:001 The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.

012:002 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem.

012:003 And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

012:004 In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindness.

012:005 And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem shall be my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.

- 012:006 In that day will I make the governors of Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, even in Jerusalem.
- 012:007 The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify themselves against Judah.
- 012:008 In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as God, as the angel of the LORD before them.
- 012:009 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.
- 012:010 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.
- 012:011 In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.
- 012:012 And the land shall mourn, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart;
- 012:013 The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of Shimei apart, and their wives apart;
- 012:014 All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.
- 013:001 In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness.
- 013:002 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.
- 013:003 And it shall come to pass, that when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.
- 013:004 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the prophets shall be

ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied;
neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive:

013:005 But he shall say, I am no prophet, I am an husbandman; for man
taught me to keep cattle from my youth.

013:006 And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine
hands? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in
the house of my friends.

013:007 Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that
is my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the
sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little
ones.

013:008 And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two
parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left
therein.

013:009 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them
as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call
on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and
they shall say, The LORD is my God.

014:001 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be
divided in the midst of thee.

014:002 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city
shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished;
and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of
the people shall not be cut off from the city.

014:003 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as
when he fought in the day of battle.

014:004 And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives,
which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives
shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the
west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the
mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the
south.

014:005 And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of
the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye
fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of
Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with
thee.

014:006 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be
clear, nor dark:

014:007 But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day,

nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

014:008 And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

014:009 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

014:010 All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

014:011 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.

014:012 And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

014:013 And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great tumult from the LORD shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbour.

014:014 And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the heathen round about shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance.

014:015 And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.

014:016 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

014:017 And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

014:018 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

014:019 This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all

nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

014:020 In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

014:021 Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

