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The Old Testament of the King James Version of the Bible

The First Book of Moses: Called Genesis

1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon

the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the

waters.

1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

1:4 And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light

from the darkness.

1:5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night.

And the evening and the morning were the first day.

1:6 And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters,

and let it divide the waters from the waters.

1:7 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were

under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament:

and it was so.

1:8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the

morning were the second day.

1:9 And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together

unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

1:10 And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of

the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

1:11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding

seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is

in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

1:12 And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after

his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after

his kind: and God saw that it was good.

1:13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

1:14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven

to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for

seasons, and for days, and years: 1:15 And let them be for lights in

the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was

so.

1:16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day,

and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.

1:17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light

upon the earth, 1:18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and

to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

1:19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

1:20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving

creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the

open firmament of heaven.

1:21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that

moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind,

and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

1:22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill

the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

1:23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

1:24 And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after

his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his

kind: and it was so.

1:25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle

after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after

his kind: and God saw that it was good.

1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:

and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl

of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over

every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

1:27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created

he him; male and female created he them.

1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and

multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion

over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every

living thing that moveth upon the earth.

1:29 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed,

which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which

is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

1:30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air,

and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is

life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

1:31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was

very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

2:1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of

them.

2:2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and

he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

2:3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that

in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

2:4 These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when

they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the

heavens, 2:5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth,

and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not

caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the

ground.

2:6 But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole

face of the ground.

2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and

breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living

soul.

2:8 And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he

put the man whom he had formed.

2:9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is

pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the

midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

2:10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence

it was parted, and became into four heads.

2:11 The name of the first is Pison: that is it which compasseth the

whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; 2:12 And the gold of that

land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.

2:13 And the name of the second river is Gihon: the same is it that

compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.

2:14 And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which

goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates.

2:15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of

Eden to dress it and to keep it.

2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the

garden thou mayest freely eat: 2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge

of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou

eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

2:18 And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be

alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

2:19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the

field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see

what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living

creature, that was the name thereof.

2:20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air,

and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an

help meet for him.

2:21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he

slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead

thereof; 2:22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made

he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

2:23 And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my

flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

2:24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall

cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

2:25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not

ashamed.

3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which

the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said,

Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 3:2 And the woman said

unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3:3 But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden,

God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest

ye die.

3:4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: 3:5

For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall

be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that

it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one

wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto

her husband with her; and he did eat.

3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they

were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves

aprons.

3:8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in

the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the

presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

3:9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art

thou? 3:10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was

afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

3:11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten

of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

3:12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she

gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

3:13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast

done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

3:14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done

this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the

field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the

days of thy life: 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the

woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head,

and thou shalt bruise his heel.

3:16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and

thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy

desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

3:17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice

of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee,

saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake;

in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; 3:18 Thorns

also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the

herb of the field; 3:19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread,

till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for

dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

3:20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother

of all living.

3:21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of

skins, and clothed them.

3:22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to

know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also

of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: 3:23 Therefore the

LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground

from whence he was taken.

3:24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden

of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep

the way of the tree of life.

4:1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and

said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

4:2 And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of

sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.

4:3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the

fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

4:4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of

the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his

offering: 4:5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect.

And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

4:6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy

countenance fallen? 4:7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be

accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto

thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

4:8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when

they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother,

and slew him.

4:9 And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he

said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper? 4:10 And he said, What

hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from

the ground.

4:11 And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her

mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; 4:12 When thou

tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her

strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

4:13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can

bear.

4:14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the

earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and

a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one

that findeth me shall slay me.

4:15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain,

vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark

upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

4:16 And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the

land of Nod, on the east of Eden.

4:17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he

builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his

son, Enoch.

4:18 And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and

Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

4:19 And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one was Adah,

and the name of the other Zillah.

4:20 And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents,

and of such as have cattle.

4:21 And his brother's name was Jubal: he was the father of all such

as handle the harp and organ.

4:22 And Zillah, she also bare Tubalcain, an instructer of every

artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubalcain was Naamah.

4:23 And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice;

ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to

my wounding, and a young man to my hurt.

4:24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and

sevenfold.

4:25 And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his

name Seth: For God, said she, hath appointed me another seed instead

of Abel, whom Cain slew.

4:26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his

name Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

5:1 This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God

created man, in the likeness of God made he him; 5:2 Male and female

created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the

day when they were created.

5:3 And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his

own likeness, and after his image; and called his name Seth: 5:4 And

the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years:

and he begat sons and daughters: 5:5 And all the days that Adam lived

were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.

5:6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos: 5:7 And

Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and

begat sons and daughters: 5:8 And all the days of Seth were nine

hundred and twelve years: and he died.

5:9 And Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan: 5:10 And Enos lived

after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons

and daughters: 5:11 And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and

five years: and he died.

5:12 And Cainan lived seventy years and begat Mahalaleel: 5:13 And

Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years,

and begat sons and daughters: 5:14 And all the days of Cainan were

nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

5:15 And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared: 5:16

And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty

years, and begat sons and daughters: 5:17 And all the days of

Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.

5:18 And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat

Enoch: 5:19 And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years,

and begat sons and daughters: 5:20 And all the days of Jared were nine

hundred sixty and two years: and he died.

5:21 And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: 5:22

And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred

years, and begat sons and daughters: 5:23 And all the days of Enoch

were three hundred sixty and five years: 5:24 And Enoch walked with

God: and he was not; for God took him.

5:25 And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat

Lamech.

5:26 And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty

and two years, and begat sons and daughters: 5:27 And all the days of

Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.

5:28 And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a

son: 5:29 And he called his name Noah, saying, This same shall comfort

us concerning our work and toil of our hands, because of the ground

which the LORD hath cursed.

5:30 And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five

years, and begat sons and daughters: 5:31 And all the days of Lamech

were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.

5:32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham,

and Japheth.

6:1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the

earth, and daughters were born unto them, 6:2 That the sons of God saw

the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of

all which they chose.

6:3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for

that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty

years.

6:4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that,

when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare

children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of

renown.

6:5 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and

that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil

continually.

6:6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it

grieved him at his heart.

6:7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the

face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and

the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

6:8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

6:9 These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect

in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

6:10 And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

6:11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled

with violence.

6:12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for

all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

6:13 And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me;

for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I

will destroy them with the earth.

6:14 Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the

ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch.

6:15 And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of: The length

of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty

cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.

6:16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou

finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side

thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.

6:17 And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the

earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under

heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die.

6:18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come

into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives

with thee.

6:19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt

thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be

male and female.

6:20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of

every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort

shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.

6:21 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt

gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them.

6:22 Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did

he.

7:1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the

ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

7:2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male

and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and

his female.

7:3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to

keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

7:4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth

forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have

made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.

7:5 And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him.

7:6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was

upon the earth.

7:7 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives

with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

7:8 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls,

and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, 7:9 There went in two

and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had

commanded Noah.

7:10 And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the

flood were upon the earth.

7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month,

the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains

of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

7:12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

7:13 In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth,

the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons

with them, into the ark; 7:14 They, and every beast after his kind,

and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that

creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind,

every bird of every sort.

7:15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all

flesh, wherein is the breath of life.

7:16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as

God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.

7:17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters

increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.

7:18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the

earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.

7:19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the

high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.

7:20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains

were covered.

7:21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and

of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth

upon the earth, and every man: 7:22 All in whose nostrils was the

breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.

7:23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face

of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the

fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah

only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.

7:24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty

days.

8:1 And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the

cattle that was with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over

the earth, and the waters asswaged; 8:2 The fountains also of the deep

and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was

restrained; 8:3 And the waters returned from off the earth

continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the

waters were abated.

8:4 And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of

the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.

8:5 And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the

tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the

mountains seen.

8:6 And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the

window of the ark which he had made: 8:7 And he sent forth a raven,

which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off

the earth.

8:8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were

abated from off the face of the ground; 8:9 But the dove found no rest

for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for

the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his

hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

8:10 And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the

dove out of the ark; 8:11 And the dove came in to him in the evening;

and, lo, in her mouth was an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that

the waters were abated from off the earth.

8:12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove;

which returned not again unto him any more.

8:13 And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the

first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from

off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked,

and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.

8:14 And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the

month, was the earth dried.

8:15 And God spake unto Noah, saying, 8:16 Go forth of the ark, thou,

and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.

8:17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that is with thee, of

all flesh, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing

that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the

earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.

8:18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons'

wives with him: 8:19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every

fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went

forth out of the ark.

8:20 And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean

beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the

altar.

8:21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his

heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for

the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I

again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

8:22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and

heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

9:1 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be

fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

9:2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast

of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth

upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are

they delivered.

9:3 Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the

green herb have I given you all things.

9:4 But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall

ye not eat.

9:5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of

every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of

every man's brother will I require the life of man.

9:6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in

the image of God made he man.

9:7 And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in

the earth, and multiply therein.

9:8 And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, 9:9 And

I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after

you; 9:10 And with every living creature that is with you, of the

fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from

all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth.

9:11 And I will establish my covenant with you, neither shall all

flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall

there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.

9:12 And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make

between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for

perpetual generations: 9:13 I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall

be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.

9:14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth,

that the bow shall be seen in the cloud: 9:15 And I will remember my

covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all

flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all

flesh.

9:16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that

I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living

creature of all flesh that is upon the earth.

9:17 And God said unto Noah, This is the token of the covenant, which

I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

9:18 And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and

Ham, and Japheth: and Ham is the father of Canaan.

9:19 These are the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth

overspread.

9:20 And Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

9:21 And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered

within his tent.

9:22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father,

and told his two brethren without.

9:23 And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid it upon both their

shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their

father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's

nakedness.

9:24 And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had

done unto him.

9:25 And he said, Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be

unto his brethren.

9:26 And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be

his servant.

9:27 God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of

Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.

9:28 And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

9:29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and

he died.

10:1 Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and

Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.

10:2 The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and

Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

10:3 And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

10:4 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and

Dodanim.

10:5 By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands;

every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

10:6 And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan.

10:7 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah,

and Sabtechah: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

10:8 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

10:9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said,

Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

10:10 And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and

Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.

10:11 Out of that land went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and the

city Rehoboth, and Calah, 10:12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah:

the same is a great city.

10:13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

10:14 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,) and

Caphtorim.

10:15 And Canaan begat Sidon his first born, and Heth, 10:16 And the

Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite, 10:17 And the Hivite,

and the Arkite, and the Sinite, 10:18 And the Arvadite, and the

Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the

Canaanites spread abroad.

10:19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest

to Gerar, unto Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and

Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.

10:20 These are the sons of Ham, after their families, after their

tongues, in their countries, and in their nations.

10:21 Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the

brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were children born.

10:22 The children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud,

and Aram.

10:23 And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.

10:24 And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat Eber.

10:25 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one was Peleg; for

in his days was the earth divided; and his brother's name was Joktan.

10:26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and

Jerah, 10:27 And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah, 10:28 And Obal, and

Abimael, and Sheba, 10:29 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these

were the sons of Joktan.

10:30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a

mount of the east.

10:31 These are the sons of Shem, after their families, after their

tongues, in their lands, after their nations.

10:32 These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their

generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided

in the earth after the flood.

11:1 And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.

11:2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they

found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.

11:3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn

them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for

morter.

11:4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose

top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be

scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.

11:5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the

children of men builded.

11:6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all

one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be

restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

11:7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that

they may not understand one another's speech.

11:8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of

all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

11:9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did

there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the

LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

11:10 These are the generations of Shem: Shem was an hundred years

old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood: 11:11 And Shem

lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and

daughters.

11:12 And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat Salah: 11:13

And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years,

and begat sons and daughters.

11:14 And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber: 11:15 And Salah

lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons

and daughters.

11:16 And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg: 11:17 And

Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and

begat sons and daughters.

11:18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu: 11:19 And Peleg

lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons

and daughters.

11:20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat Serug: 11:21 And

Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat

sons and daughters.

11:22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor: 11:23 And Serug

lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and

daughters.

11:24 And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah: 11:25

And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years,

and begat sons and daughters.

11:26 And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and

Haran.

11:27 Now these are the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram,

Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.

11:28 And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his

nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.

11:29 And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife

was Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of

Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.

11:30 But Sarai was barren; she had no child.

11:31 And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's

son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they

went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of

Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

11:32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah

died in Haran.

12:1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country,

and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I

will shew thee: 12:2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I

will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a

blessing: 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him

that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be

blessed.

12:4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went

with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed

out of Haran.

12:5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all

their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had

gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan;

and into the land of Canaan they came.

12:6 And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto

the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.

12:7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I

give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who

appeared unto him.

12:8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel,

and pitched his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east:

and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name

of the LORD.

12:9 And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.

12:10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into

Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

12:11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt,

that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou art a

fair woman to look upon: 12:12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when

the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This is his wife:

and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive.

12:13 Say, I pray thee, thou art my sister: that it may be well with

me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

12:14 And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the

Egyptians beheld the woman that she was very fair.

12:15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before

Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.

12:16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and

oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses,

and camels.

12:17 And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues

because of Sarai Abram's wife.

12:18 And Pharaoh called Abram and said, What is this that thou hast

done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife? 12:19

Why saidst thou, She is my sister? so I might have taken her to me to

wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take her, and go thy way.

12:20 And Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him: and they sent him

away, and his wife, and all that he had.

13:1 And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he

had, and Lot with him, into the south.

13:2 And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

13:3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to Bethel, unto

the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and

Hai; 13:4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had make there at the

first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.

13:5 And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and

tents.

13:6 And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell

together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell

together.

13:7 And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and

the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite

dwelled then in the land.

13:8 And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee,

between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be

brethren.

13:9 Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee,

from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right;

or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left.

13:10 And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan,

that it was well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom

and Gomorrah, even as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt,

as thou comest unto Zoar.

13:11 Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed

east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.

13:12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the

cities of the plain, and pitched his tent toward Sodom.

13:13 But the men of Sodom were wicked and sinners before the LORD

exceedingly.

13:14 And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from

him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art

northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: 13:15 For all

the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for

ever.

13:16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a

man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be

numbered.

13:17 Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the

breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

13:18 Then Abram removed his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of

Mamre, which is in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.

14:1 And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar,

Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of

nations; 14:2 That these made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with

Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of

Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is Zoar.

14:3 All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is

the salt sea.

14:4 Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year

they rebelled.

14:5 And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that

were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the

Zuzims in Ham, and the Emins in Shaveh Kiriathaim, 14:6 And the

Horites in their mount Seir, unto Elparan, which is by the wilderness.

14:7 And they returned, and came to Enmishpat, which is Kadesh, and

smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that

dwelt in Hazezontamar.

14:8 And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah,

and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela

(the same is Zoar;) and they joined battle with them in the vale of

Siddim; 14:9 With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king

of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar;

four kings with five.

14:10 And the vale of Siddim was full of slimepits; and the kings of

Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled

to the mountain.

14:11 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their

victuals, and went their way.

14:12 And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom,

and his goods, and departed.

14:13 And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew;

for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and

brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

14:14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he

armed his trained servants, born in his own house, three hundred and

eighteen, and pursued them unto Dan.

14:15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by

night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the

left hand of Damascus.

14:16 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his

brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people.

14:17 And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from

the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at

the valley of Shaveh, which is the king's dale.

14:18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and

he was the priest of the most high God.

14:19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high

God, possessor of heaven and earth: 14:20 And blessed be the most high

God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him

tithes of all.

14:21 And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and

take the goods to thyself.

14:22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand

unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth,

14:23 That I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and

that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say,

I have made Abram rich: 14:24 Save only that which the young men have

eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me, Aner, Eshcol,

and Mamre; let them take their portion.

15:1 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a

vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding

great reward.

15:2 And Abram said, LORD God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go

childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?

15:3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo,

one born in my house is mine heir.

15:4 And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This

shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own

bowels shall be thine heir.

15:5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward

heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he

said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

15:6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for

righteousness.

15:7 And he said unto him, I am the LORD that brought thee out of Ur

of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it.

15:8 And he said, LORD God, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit

it? 15:9 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old,

and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a

turtledove, and a young pigeon.

15:10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst,

and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.

15:11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them

away.

15:12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram;

and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.

15:13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be

a stranger in a land that is not their's, and shall serve them; and

they shall afflict them four hundred years; 15:14 And also that

nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they

come out with great substance.

15:15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried

in a good old age.

15:16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for

the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.

15:17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was

dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between

those pieces.

15:18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying,

Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the

great river, the river Euphrates: 15:19 The Kenites, and the

Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites, 15:20 And the Hittites, and the

Perizzites, and the Rephaims, 15:21 And the Amorites, and the

Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

16:1 Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an

handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar.

16:2 And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained

me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may

obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

16:3 And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after

Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her

husband Abram to be his wife.

16:4 And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw

that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.

16:5 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong be upon thee: I have given my

maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was

despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee.

16:6 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid is in thine hand; do

to her as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she

fled from her face.

16:7 And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the

wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.

16:8 And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither

wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.

16:9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress,

and submit thyself under her hands.

16:10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy

seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.

16:11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou art with

child and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because

the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

16:12 And he will be a wild man; his hand will be against every man,

and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence

of all his brethren.

16:13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou

God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that

seeth me? 16:14 Wherefore the well was called Beerlahairoi; behold,

it is between Kadesh and Bered.

16:15 And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name,

which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16:16 And Abram was fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare

Ishmael to Abram.

17:1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared

to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me,

and be thou perfect.

17:2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will

multiply thee exceedingly.

17:3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, 17:4

As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a

father of many nations.

17:5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name

shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

17:6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations

of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

17:7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed

after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a

God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

17:8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land

wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an

everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

17:9 And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore,

thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

17:10 This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and

thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

17:11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall

be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.

17:12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you,

every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or

bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.

17:13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy

money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your

flesh for an everlasting covenant.

17:14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is

not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath

broken my covenant.

17:15 And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not

call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be.

17:16 And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I

will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of people

shall be of her.

17:17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his

heart, Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old?

and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear? 17:18 And Abraham

said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee! 17:19 And God

said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call

his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an

everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

17:20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed

him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly;

twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

17:21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall

bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.

17:22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.

17:23 And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his

house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the

men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in

the selfsame day, as God had said unto him.

17:24 And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was

circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

17:25 And Ishmael his son was thirteen years old, when he was

circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

17:26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his

son.

17:27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with

money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

18:1 And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat

in the tent door in the heat of the day; 18:2 And he lift up his eyes

and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he

ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the

ground, 18:3 And said, My LORD, if now I have found favour in thy

sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: 18:4 Let a little

water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves

under the tree: 18:5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort

ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come

to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.

18:6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make

ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes

upon the hearth.

18:7 And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good,

and gave it unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

18:8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed,

and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they

did eat.

18:9 And they said unto him, Where is Sarah thy wife? And he said,

Behold, in the tent.

18:10 And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the

time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah

heard it in the tent door, which was behind him.

18:11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it

ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.

18:12 Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed

old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? 18:13 And the LORD

said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a

surety bear a child, which am old? 18:14 Is any thing too hard for

the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to

the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

18:15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid.

And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

18:16 And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and

Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

18:17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I

do; 18:18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty

nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

18:19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his

household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do

justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which

he hath spoken of him.

18:20 And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is

great, and because their sin is very grievous; 18:21 I will go down

now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of

it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.

18:22 And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward

Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD.

18:23 And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the

righteous with the wicked? 18:24 Peradventure there be fifty

righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the

place for the fifty righteous that are therein? 18:25 That be far

from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the

wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far

from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? 18:26 And

the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city,

then I will spare all the place for their sakes.

18:27 And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me

to speak unto the LORD, which am but dust and ashes: 18:28

Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou

destroy all the city for lack of five? And he said, If I find there

forty and five, I will not destroy it.

18:29 And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there

shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for forty's

sake.

18:30 And he said unto him, Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will

speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I

will not do it, if I find thirty there.

18:31 And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the

LORD: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I

will not destroy it for twenty's sake.

18:32 And he said, Oh let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak yet

but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I

will not destroy it for ten's sake.

18:33 And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with

Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

19:1 And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the

gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them; and he bowed

himself with his face toward the ground; 19:2 And he said, Behold now,

my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry

all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on

your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all

night.

19:3 And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him,

and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake

unleavened bread, and they did eat.

19:4 But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of

Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people

from every quarter: 19:5 And they called unto Lot, and said unto him,

Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out

unto us, that we may know them.

19:6 And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after

him, 19:7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

19:8 Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let

me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good

in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they

under the shadow of my roof.

19:9 And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow

came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal

worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man,

even Lot, and came near to break the door.

19:10 But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house

to them, and shut to the door.

19:11 And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with

blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to

find the door.

19:12 And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in

law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the

city, bring them out of this place: 19:13 For we will destroy this

place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the

LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.

19:14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married

his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD

will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons

in law.

19:15 And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot,

saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here;

lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.

19:16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon

the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD

being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him

without the city.

19:17 And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad,

that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay

thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.

19:18 And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my LORD: 19:19 Behold now,

thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy

mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot

escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die: 19:20

Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one:

Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall

live.

19:21 And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this

thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou

hast spoken.

19:22 Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do anything till thou

be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

19:23 The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

19:24 Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and

fire from the LORD out of heaven; 19:25 And he overthrew those cities,

and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that

which grew upon the ground.

19:26 But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a

pillar of salt.

19:27 And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he

stood before the LORD: 19:28 And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah,

and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke

of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

19:29 And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain,

that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the

overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.

19:30 And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his

two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt

in a cave, he and his two daughters.

19:31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father is old, and

there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of

all the earth: 19:32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we

will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

19:33 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the

firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when

she lay down, nor when she arose.

19:34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto

the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him

drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we

may preserve seed of our father.

19:35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the

younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay

down, nor when she arose.

19:36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

19:37 And the first born bare a son, and called his name Moab: the

same is the father of the Moabites unto this day.

19:38 And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name

Benammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this

day.

20:1 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and

dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.

20:2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister: and

Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah.

20:3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him,

Behold, thou art but a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken;

for she is a man's wife.

20:4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, LORD, wilt thou

slay also a righteous nation? 20:5 Said he not unto me, She is my

sister? and she, even she herself said, He is my brother: in the

integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.

20:6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst

this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from

sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.

20:7 Now therefore restore the man his wife; for he is a prophet, and

he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore her

not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that are

thine.

20:8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his

servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were

sore afraid.

20:9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou

done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on

me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that

ought not to be done.

20:10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou

hast done this thing? 20:11 And Abraham said, Because I thought,

Surely the fear of God is not in this place; and they will slay me for

my wife's sake.

20:12 And yet indeed she is my sister; she is the daughter of my

father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

20:13 And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my

father's house, that I said unto her, This is thy kindness which thou

shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me,

He is my brother.

20:14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and

womenservants, and gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his

wife.

20:15 And Abimelech said, Behold, my land is before thee: dwell where

it pleaseth thee.

20:16 And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a

thousand pieces of silver: behold, he is to thee a covering of the

eyes, unto all that are with thee, and with all other: thus she was

reproved.

20:17 So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his

wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children.

20:18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of

Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.

21:1 And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto

Sarah as he had spoken.

21:2 For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at

the set time of which God had spoken to him.

21:3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him,

whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

21:4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as

God had commanded him.

21:5 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born

unto him.

21:6 And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear

will laugh with me.

21:7 And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should

have given children suck? for I have born him a son in his old age.

21:8 And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great

feast the same day that Isaac was weaned.

21:9 And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born

unto Abraham, mocking.

21:10 Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her

son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even

with Isaac.

21:11 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of

his son.

21:12 And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight

because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah

hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy

seed be called.

21:13 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation,

because he is thy seed.

21:14 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a

bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her shoulder,

and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in

the wilderness of Beersheba.

21:15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child

under one of the shrubs.

21:16 And she went, and sat her down over against him a good way off,

as it were a bow shot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the

child. And she sat over against him, and lift up her voice, and wept.

21:17 And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called

to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar?

fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is.

21:18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will

make him a great nation.

21:19 And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she

went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.

21:20 And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the

wilderness, and became an archer.

21:21 And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him

a wife out of the land of Egypt.

21:22 And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phichol the

chief captain of his host spake unto Abraham, saying, God is with thee

in all that thou doest: 21:23 Now therefore swear unto me here by God

that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my

son's son: but according to the kindness that I have done unto thee,

thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.

21:24 And Abraham said, I will swear.

21:25 And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water, which

Abimelech's servants had violently taken away.

21:26 And Abimelech said, I wot not who hath done this thing; neither

didst thou tell me, neither yet heard I of it, but to day.

21:27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech;

and both of them made a covenant.

21:28 And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.

21:29 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What mean these seven ewe lambs

which thou hast set by themselves? 21:30 And he said, For these seven

ewe lambs shalt thou take of my hand, that they may be a witness unto

me, that I have digged this well.

21:31 Wherefore he called that place Beersheba; because there they

sware both of them.

21:32 Thus they made a covenant at Beersheba: then Abimelech rose up,

and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the

land of the Philistines.

21:33 And Abraham planted a grove in Beersheba, and called there on

the name of the LORD, the everlasting God.

21:34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.

22:1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt

Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am.

22:2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou

lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah; and offer him there for

a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.

22:3 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass,

and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave

the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place

of which God had told him.

22:4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the

place afar off.

22:5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass;

and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.

22:6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon

Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they

went both of them together.

22:7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and

he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood:

but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? 22:8 And Abraham said, My

son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they

went both of them together.

22:9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham

built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his

son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.

22:10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay

his son.

22:11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and

said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here am I.

22:12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou

any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou

hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

22:13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind

him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took

the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his

son.

22:14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is

said to this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

22:15 And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the

second time, 22:16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD,

for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son,

thine only son: 22:17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in

multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and

as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess

the gate of his enemies; 22:18 And in thy seed shall all the nations

of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

22:19 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and

went together to Beersheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beersheba.

22:20 And it came to pass after these things, that it was told

Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah, she hath also born children unto thy

brother Nahor; 22:21 Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and

Kemuel the father of Aram, 22:22 And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash,

and Jidlaph, and Bethuel.

22:23 And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor,

Abraham's brother.

22:24 And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, she bare also Tebah,

and Gaham, and Thahash, and Maachah.

23:1 And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: these

were the years of the life of Sarah.

23:2 And Sarah died in Kirjatharba; the same is Hebron in the land of

Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.

23:3 And Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the

sons of Heth, saying, 23:4 I am a stranger and a sojourner with you:

give me a possession of a buryingplace with you, that I may bury my

dead out of my sight.

23:5 And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him, 23:6

Hear us, my lord: thou art a mighty prince among us: in the choice of

our sepulchres bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his

sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.

23:7 And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the

land, even to the children of Heth.

23:8 And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I

should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to

Ephron the son of Zohar, 23:9 That he may give me the cave of

Machpelah, which he hath, which is in the end of his field; for as

much money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a

buryingplace amongst you.

23:10 And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the

Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, even

of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying, 23:11 Nay, my

lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that is therein, I

give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee:

bury thy dead.

23:12 And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

23:13 And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the

land, saying, But if thou wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me: I will

give thee money for the field; take it of me, and I will bury my dead

there.

23:14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him, 23:15 My lord,

hearken unto me: the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver;

what is that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.

23:16 And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron

the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth,

four hundred shekels of silver, current money with the merchant.

23:17 And the field of Ephron which was in Machpelah, which was before

Mamre, the field, and the cave which was therein, and all the trees

that were in the field, that were in all the borders round about, were

made sure 23:18 Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the

children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.

23:19 And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the

field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same is Hebron in the land of

Canaan.

23:20 And the field, and the cave that is therein, were made sure unto

Abraham for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.

24:1 And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had

blessed Abraham in all things.

24:2 And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled

over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh: 24:3

And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God

of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the

daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell: 24:4 But thou shalt

go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son

Isaac.

24:5 And the servant said unto him, Peradventure the woman will not be

willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again

unto the land from whence thou camest? 24:6 And Abraham said unto

him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.

24:7 The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and

from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware

unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send

his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from

thence.

24:8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou

shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son thither again.

24:9 And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his

master, and sware to him concerning that matter.

24:10 And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and

departed; for all the goods of his master were in his hand: and he

arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.

24:11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well

of water at the time of the evening, even the time that women go out

to draw water.

24:12 And he said O LORD God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send

me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.

24:13 Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of

the men of the city come out to draw water: 24:14 And let it come to

pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I

pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give

thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed

for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed

kindness unto my master.

24:15 And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold,

Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of

Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

24:16 And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had

any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her

pitcher, and came up.

24:17 And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee,

drink a little water of thy pitcher.

24:18 And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her

pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.

24:19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw

water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.

24:20 And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran

again unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels.

24:21 And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether the

LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.

24:22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the

man took a golden earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets

for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold; 24:23 And said, Whose

daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room in thy father's

house for us to lodge in? 24:24 And she said unto him, I am the

daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto Nahor.

24:25 She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender

enough, and room to lodge in.

24:26 And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.

24:27 And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham, who

hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I being

in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.

24:28 And the damsel ran, and told them of her mother's house these

things.

24:29 And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban: and Laban ran

out unto the man, unto the well.

24:30 And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon

his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister,

saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and,

behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

24:31 And he said, Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore

standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the

camels.

24:32 And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and

gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet,

and the men's feet that were with him.

24:33 And there was set meat before him to eat: but he said, I will

not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on.

24:34 And he said, I am Abraham's servant.

24:35 And the LORD hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become

great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold,

and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.

24:36 And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was

old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.

24:37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife

to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell:

24:38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and

take a wife unto my son.

24:39 And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not

follow me.

24:40 And he said unto me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send his

angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for

my son of my kindred, and of my father's house: 24:41 Then shalt thou

be clear from this my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if

they give not thee one, thou shalt be clear from my oath.

24:42 And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my

master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go: 24:43

Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that

when the virgin cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her, Give me,

I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink; 24:44 And she say

to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: let the

same be the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's

son.

24:45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah

came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto

the well, and drew water: and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray

thee.

24:46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder,

and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank,

and she made the camels drink also.

24:47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter art thou? And she

said, the daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him:

and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

24:48 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed

the LORD God of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way

to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.

24:49 And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell

me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the

left.

24:50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth

from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good.

24:51 Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her, and go, and let her be

thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.

24:52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their

words, he worshipped the LORD, bowing himself to the earth.

24:53 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of

gold, and raiment, and gave them to Rebekah: he gave also to her

brother and to her mother precious things.

24:54 And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him,

and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said,

Send me away unto my master.

24:55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with

us a few days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.

24:56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath

prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.

24:57 And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her

mouth.

24:58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with

this man? And she said, I will go.

24:59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and

Abraham's servant, and his men.

24:60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou art our

sister, be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed

possess the gate of those which hate them.

24:61 And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the

camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went

his way.

24:62 And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi; for he dwelt

in the south country.

24:63 And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide: and

he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels were coming.

24:64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she

lighted off the camel.

24:65 For she had said unto the servant, What man is this that walketh

in the field to meet us? And the servant had said, It is my master:

therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.

24:66 And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.

24:67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took

Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was

comforted after his mother's death.

25:1 Then again Abraham took a wife, and her name was Keturah.

25:2 And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and

Ishbak, and Shuah.

25:3 And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were

Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.

25:4 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah,

and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah.

25:5 And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.

25:6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham

gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived,

eastward, unto the east country.

25:7 And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he

lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

25:8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an

old man, and full of years; and was gathered to his people.

25:9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of

Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which

is before Mamre; 25:10 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons

of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.

25:11 And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed

his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the well Lahairoi.

25:12 Now these are the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom

Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham: 25:13 And

these are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according

to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar,

and Adbeel, and Mibsam, 25:14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa, 25:15

Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah: 25:16 These are the sons

of Ishmael, and these are their names, by their towns, and by their

castles; twelve princes according to their nations.

25:17 And these are the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and

thirty and seven years: and he gave up the ghost and died; and was

gathered unto his people.

25:18 And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that is before Egypt, as

thou goest toward Assyria: and he died in the presence of all his

brethren.

25:19 And these are the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham

begat Isaac: 25:20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah

to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram, the sister

to Laban the Syrian.

25:21 And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was

barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife

conceived.

25:22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If

it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD.

25:23 And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two

manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one

people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall

serve the younger.

25:24 And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there

were twins in her womb.

25:25 And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and

they called his name Esau.

25:26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on

Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore

years old when she bare them.

25:27 And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the

field; and Jacob was a plain man, dwelling in tents.

25:28 And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of his venison: but

Rebekah loved Jacob.

25:29 And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he was

faint: 25:30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that

same red pottage; for I am faint: therefore was his name called Edom.

25:31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.

25:32 And Esau said, Behold, I am at the point to die: and what profit

shall this birthright do to me? 25:33 And Jacob said, Swear to me

this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto

Jacob.

25:34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did

eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised his

birthright.

26:1 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that

was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the

Philistines unto Gerar.

26:2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt;

dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of: 26:3 Sojourn in this

land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and

unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the

oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father; 26:4 And I will make thy

seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed

all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the

earth be blessed; 26:5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept

my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.

26:6 And Isaac dwelt in Gerar: 26:7 And the men of the place asked him

of his wife; and he said, She is my sister: for he feared to say, She

is my wife; lest, said he, the men of the place should kill me for

Rebekah; because she was fair to look upon.

26:8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that

Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw,

and, behold, Isaac was sporting with Rebekah his wife.

26:9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she is

thy wife; and how saidst thou, She is my sister? And Isaac said unto

him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.

26:10 And Abimelech said, What is this thou hast done unto us? one of

the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest

have brought guiltiness upon us.

26:11 And Abimelech charged all his people, saying, He that toucheth

this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.

26:12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an

hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.

26:13 And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he

became very great: 26:14 For he had possession of flocks, and

possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines

envied him.

26:15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the

days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and

filled them with earth.

26:16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much

mightier than we.

26:17 And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of

Gerar, and dwelt there.

26:18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged

in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped

them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the

names by which his father had called them.

26:19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a

well of springing water.

26:20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen,

saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Esek;

because they strove with him.

26:21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he

called the name of it Sitnah.

26:22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for

that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he

said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful

in the land.

26:23 And he went up from thence to Beersheba.

26:24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am

the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will

bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.

26:25 And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the

LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a

well.

26:26 Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his

friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.

26:27 And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye

hate me, and have sent me away from you? 26:28 And they said, We saw

certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there be now

an oath betwixt us, even betwixt us and thee, and let us make a

covenant with thee; 26:29 That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not

touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have

sent thee away in peace: thou art now the blessed of the LORD.

26:30 And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.

26:31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to

another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in

peace.

26:32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came,

and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto

him, We have found water.

26:33 And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city is

Beersheba unto this day.

26:34 And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the

daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the

Hittite: 26:35 Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.

27:1 And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were

dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said

unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, here am I.

27:2 And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my

death: 27:3 Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver

and thy bow, and go out to the field, and take me some venison; 27:4

And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring it to me, that I

may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.

27:5 And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went

to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it.

27:6 And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy

father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying, 27:7 Bring me venison, and

make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD

before my death.

27:8 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I

command thee.

27:9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of

the goats; and I will make them savoury meat for thy father, such as

he loveth: 27:10 And thou shalt bring it to thy father, that he may

eat, and that he may bless thee before his death.

27:11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother is

a hairy man, and I am a smooth man: 27:12 My father peradventure will

feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a

curse upon me, and not a blessing.

27:13 And his mother said unto him, Upon me be thy curse, my son: only

obey my voice, and go fetch me them.

27:14 And he went, and fetched, and brought them to his mother: and

his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved.

27:15 And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which

were with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

27:16 And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands,

and upon the smooth of his neck: 27:17 And she gave the savoury meat

and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.

27:18 And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said,

Here am I; who art thou, my son? 27:19 And Jacob said unto his

father, I am Esau thy first born; I have done according as thou badest

me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may

bless me.

27:20 And Isaac said unto his son, How is it that thou hast found it

so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD thy God brought it

to me.

27:21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may

feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not.

27:22 And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and

said, The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau.

27:23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his

brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.

27:24 And he said, Art thou my very son Esau? And he said, I am.

27:25 And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's

venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him,

and he did eat: and he brought him wine and he drank.

27:26 And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me,

my son.

27:27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of

his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, the smell of my son is as

the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed: 27:28 Therefore God

give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and

plenty of corn and wine: 27:29 Let people serve thee, and nations bow

down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow

down to thee: cursed be every one that curseth thee, and blessed be he

that blesseth thee.

27:30 And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of

blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of

Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.

27:31 And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his

father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his

son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.

27:32 And Isaac his father said unto him, Who art thou? And he said, I

am thy son, thy firstborn Esau.

27:33 And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where is he

that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all

before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, and he shall be

blessed.

27:34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a

great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me,

even me also, O my father.

27:35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away

thy blessing.

27:36 And he said, Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath

supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and,

behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not

reserved a blessing for me? 27:37 And Isaac answered and said unto

Esau, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I

given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained

him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son? 27:38 And Esau said

unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, even

me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.

27:39 And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy

dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven

from above; 27:40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve

thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the

dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.

27:41 And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his

father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning

for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.

27:42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and

she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold,

thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, purposing to

kill thee.

27:43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; arise, flee thou to Laban

my brother to Haran; 27:44 And tarry with him a few days, until thy

brother's fury turn away; 27:45 Until thy brother's anger turn away

from thee, and he forget that which thou hast done to him: then I will

send, and fetch thee from thence: why should I be deprived also of you

both in one day? 27:46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my

life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the

daughters of Heth, such as these which are of the daughters of the

land, what good shall my life do me? 28:1 And Isaac called Jacob, and

blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a

wife of the daughters of Canaan.

28:2 Arise, go to Padanaram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's

father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughers of Laban thy

mother's brother.

28:3 And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply

thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people; 28:4 And give thee

the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou

mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave

unto Abraham.

28:5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padanaram unto Laban,

son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's

mother.

28:6 When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to

Padanaram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him

he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the

daughers of Canaan; 28:7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his

mother, and was gone to Padanaram; 28:8 And Esau seeing that the

daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father; 28:9 Then went Esau

unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the

daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his

wife.

28:10 And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and went toward Haran.

28:11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all

night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that

place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to

sleep.

28:12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the

top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending

and descending on it.

28:13 And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I am the LORD

God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou

liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed; 28:14 And thy seed

shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the

west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee

and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

28:15 And, behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places

whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I

will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to

thee of.

28:16 And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD

is in this place; and I knew it not.

28:17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful is this place! this is

none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

28:18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that

he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar, and poured oil

upon the top of it.

28:19 And he called the name of that place Bethel: but the name of

that city was called Luz at the first.

28:20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will

keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and

raiment to put on, 28:21 So that I come again to my father's house in

peace; then shall the LORD be my God: 28:22 And this stone, which I

have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou

shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

29:1 Then Jacob went on his journey, and came into the land of the

people of the east.

29:2 And he looked, and behold a well in the field, and, lo, there

were three flocks of sheep lying by it; for out of that well they

watered the flocks: and a great stone was upon the well's mouth.

29:3 And thither were all the flocks gathered: and they rolled the

stone from the well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone

again upon the well's mouth in his place.

29:4 And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, whence be ye? And they

said, Of Haran are we.

29:5 And he said unto them, Know ye Laban the son of Nahor? And they

said, We know him.

29:6 And he said unto them, Is he well? And they said, He is well:

and, behold, Rachel his daughter cometh with the sheep.

29:7 And he said, Lo, it is yet high day, neither is it time that the

cattle should be gathered together: water ye the sheep, and go and

feed them.

29:8 And they said, We cannot, until all the flocks be gathered

together, and till they roll the stone from the well's mouth; then we

water the sheep.

29:9 And while he yet spake with them, Rachel came with her father's

sheep; for she kept them.

29:10 And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban

his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother,

that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and

watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.

29:11 And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.

29:12 And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that

he was Rebekah's son: and she ran and told her father.

29:13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob his

sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed

him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things.

29:14 And Laban said to him, Surely thou art my bone and my flesh. And

he abode with him the space of a month.

29:15 And Laban said unto Jacob, Because thou art my brother,

shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what shall thy

wages be? 29:16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder

was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel.

29:17 Leah was tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful and well

favoured.

29:18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, I will serve thee seven years

for Rachel thy younger daughter.

29:19 And Laban said, It is better that I give her to thee, than that

I should give her to another man: abide with me.

29:20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto

him but a few days, for the love he had to her.

29:21 And Jacob said unto Laban, Give me my wife, for my days are

fulfilled, that I may go in unto her.

29:22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a

feast.

29:23 And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his

daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her.

29:24 And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid for an

handmaid.

29:25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it was Leah:

and he said to Laban, What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I

serve with thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?

29:26 And Laban said, It must not be so done in our country, to give

the younger before the firstborn.

29:27 Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also for the service

which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years.

29:28 And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachel

his daughter to wife also.

29:29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be

her maid.

29:30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more

than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.

29:31 And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb:

but Rachel was barren.

29:32 And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name

Reuben: for she said, Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction;

now therefore my husband will love me.

29:33 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the

LORD hath heard I was hated, he hath therefore given me this son also:

and she called his name Simeon.

29:34 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Now this time

will my husband be joined unto me, because I have born him three sons:

therefore was his name called Levi.

29:35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, Now will

I praise the LORD: therefore she called his name Judah; and left

bearing.

30:1 And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachel

envied her sister; and said unto Jacob, Give me children, or else I

die.

30:2 And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, Am I

in God's stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?

30:3 And she said, Behold my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; and she

shall bear upon my knees, that I may also have children by her.

30:4 And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in

unto her.

30:5 And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.

30:6 And Rachel said, God hath judged me, and hath also heard my

voice, and hath given me a son: therefore called she his name Dan.

30:7 And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second

son.

30:8 And Rachel said, With great wrestlings have I wrestled with my

sister, and I have prevailed: and she called his name Naphtali.

30:9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her

maid, and gave her Jacob to wife.

30:10 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son.

30:11 And Leah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name Gad.

30:12 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.

30:13 And Leah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me

blessed: and she called his name Asher.

30:14 And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found

mandrakes in the field, and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then

Rachel said to Leah, Give me, I pray thee, of thy son's mandrakes.

30:15 And she said unto her, Is it a small matter that thou hast taken

my husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's mandrakes also? And

Rachel said, Therefore he shall lie with thee to night for thy son's

mandrakes.

30:16 And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went

out to meet him, and said, Thou must come in unto me; for surely I

have hired thee with my son's mandrakes. And he lay with her that

night.

30:17 And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob

the fifth son.

30:18 And Leah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given

my maiden to my husband: and she called his name Issachar.

30:19 And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.

30:20 And Leah said, God hath endued me with a good dowry; now will my

husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons: and she

called his name Zebulun.

30:21 And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name Dinah.

30:22 And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened

her womb.

30:23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away

my reproach: 30:24 And she called his name Joseph; and said, The LORD

shall add to me another son.

30:25 And it came to pass, when Rachel had born Joseph, that Jacob

said unto Laban, Send me away, that I may go unto mine own place, and

to my country.

30:26 Give me my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee,

and let me go: for thou knowest my service which I have done thee.

30:27 And Laban said unto him, I pray thee, if I have found favour in

thine eyes, tarry: for I have learned by experience that the LORD hath

blessed me for thy sake.

30:28 And he said, Appoint me thy wages, and I will give it.

30:29 And he said unto him, Thou knowest how I have served thee, and

how thy cattle was with me.

30:30 For it was little which thou hadst before I came, and it is now

increased unto a multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee since my

coming: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also? 30:31

And he said, What shall I give thee? And Jacob said, Thou shalt not

give me any thing: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again

feed and keep thy flock.

30:32 I will pass through all thy flock to day, removing from thence

all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among

the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and of such

shall be my hire.

30:33 So shall my righteousness answer for me in time to come, when it

shall come for my hire before thy face: every one that is not speckled

and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that shall be

counted stolen with me.

30:34 And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be according to thy

word.

30:35 And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and

spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, and

every one that had some white in it, and all the brown among the

sheep, and gave them into the hand of his sons.

30:36 And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and

Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

30:37 And Jacob took him rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and

chesnut tree; and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white

appear which was in the rods.

30:38 And he set the rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the

gutters in the watering troughs when the flocks came to drink, that

they should conceive when they came to drink.

30:39 And the flocks conceived before the rods, and brought forth

cattle ringstraked, speckled, and spotted.

30:40 And Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the

flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of

Laban; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto

Laban's cattle.

30:41 And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger cattle did

conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the cattle in

the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.

30:42 But when the cattle were feeble, he put them not in: so the

feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.

30:43 And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and

maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.

31:1 And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob hath taken

away all that was our father's; and of that which was our father's

hath he gotten all this glory.

31:2 And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it was

not toward him as before.

31:3 And the LORD said unto Jacob, Return unto the land of thy

fathers, and to thy kindred; and I will be with thee.

31:4 And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his

flock, 31:5 And said unto them, I see your father's countenance, that

it is not toward me as before; but the God of my father hath been with

me.

31:6 And ye know that with all my power I have served your father.

31:7 And your father hath deceived me, and changed my wages ten times;

but God suffered him not to hurt me.

31:8 If he said thus, The speckled shall be thy wages; then all the

cattle bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ringstraked shall be

thy hire; then bare all the cattle ringstraked.

31:9 Thus God hath taken away the cattle of your father, and given

them to me.

31:10 And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that

I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream, and, behold, the rams which

leaped upon the cattle were ringstraked, speckled, and grisled.

31:11 And the angel of God spake unto me in a dream, saying, Jacob:

And I said, Here am I.

31:12 And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which

leap upon the cattle are ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for I

have seen all that Laban doeth unto thee.

31:13 I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointedst the pillar, and

where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this

land, and return unto the land of thy kindred.

31:14 And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him, Is there yet any

portion or inheritance for us in our father's house? 31:15 Are we not

counted of him strangers? for he hath sold us, and hath quite devoured

also our money.

31:16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that is

ours, and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto

thee, do.

31:17 Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels;

31:18 And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he

had gotten, the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in

Padanaram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of Canaan.

31:19 And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachel had stolen the

images that were her father's.

31:20 And Jacob stole away unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he

told him not that he fled.

31:21 So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over

the river, and set his face toward the mount Gilead.

31:22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.

31:23 And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven

days' journey; and they overtook him in the mount Gilead.

31:24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said

unto him, Take heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

31:25 Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the

mount: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.

31:26 And Laban said to Jacob, What hast thou done, that thou hast

stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives

taken with the sword? 31:27 Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly,

and steal away from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent

thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp?

31:28 And hast not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? thou

hast now done foolishly in so doing.

31:29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of

your father spake unto me yesternight, saying, Take thou heed that

thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

31:30 And now, though thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou sore

longedst after thy father's house, yet wherefore hast thou stolen my

gods? 31:31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was

afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy

daughters from me.

31:32 With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, let him not live: before

our brethren discern thou what is thine with me, and take it to thee.

For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them.

31:33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into

the two maidservants' tents; but he found them not. Then went he out

of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent.

31:34 Now Rachel had taken the images, and put them in the camel's

furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban searched all the tent, but

found them not.

31:35 And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I

cannot rise up before thee; for the custom of women is upon me. And he

searched but found not the images.

31:36 And Jacob was wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered

and said to Laban, What is my trespass? what is my sin, that thou hast

so hotly pursued after me? 31:37 Whereas thou hast searched all my

stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set it here

before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us

both.

31:38 This twenty years have I been with thee; thy ewes and thy she

goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not

eaten.

31:39 That which was torn of beasts I brought not unto thee; I bare

the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it, whether stolen by

day, or stolen by night.

31:40 Thus I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by

night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.

31:41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I served thee

fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle:

and thou hast changed my wages ten times.

31:42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of

Isaac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God

hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked thee

yesternight.

31:43 And Laban answered and said unto Jacob, These daughters are my

daughters, and these children are my children, and these cattle are my

cattle, and all that thou seest is mine: and what can I do this day

unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?

31:44 Now therefore come thou, let us make a covenant, I and thou; and

let it be for a witness between me and thee.

31:45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar.

31:46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took

stones, and made an heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

31:47 And Laban called it Jegarsahadutha: but Jacob called it Galeed.

31:48 And Laban said, This heap is a witness between me and thee this

day.

Therefore was the name of it called Galeed; 31:49 And Mizpah; for he

said, The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from

another.

31:50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take other

wives beside my daughters, no man is with us; see, God is witness

betwixt me and thee.

31:51 And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold this

pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee: 31:52 This heap be

witness, and this pillar be witness, that I will not pass over this

heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this

pillar unto me, for harm.

31:53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their

father, judge betwixt us. And Jacob sware by the fear of his father

Isaac.

31:54 Then Jacob offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his

brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night

in the mount.

31:55 And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and

his daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned unto

his place.

32:1 And Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him.

32:2 And when Jacob saw them, he said, This is God's host: and he

called the name of that place Mahanaim.

32:3 And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the

land of Seir, the country of Edom.

32:4 And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye speak unto my lord

Esau; Thy servant Jacob saith thus, I have sojourned with Laban, and

stayed there until now: 32:5 And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and

menservants, and womenservants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that

I may find grace in thy sight.

32:6 And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy

brother Esau, and also he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men

with him.

32:7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed: and he divided the

people that was with him, and the flocks, and herds, and the camels,

into two bands; 32:8 And said, If Esau come to the one company, and

smite it, then the other company which is left shall escape.

32:9 And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father

Isaac, the LORD which saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to

thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee: 32:10 I am not worthy of

the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast

shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan;

and now I am become two bands.

32:11 Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the

hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, and the

mother with the children.

32:12 And thou saidst, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed

as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

32:13 And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came

to his hand a present for Esau his brother; 32:14 Two hundred she

goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams, 32:15

Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls,

twenty she asses, and ten foals.

32:16 And he delivered them into the hand of his servants, every drove

by themselves; and said unto his servants, Pass over before me, and

put a space betwixt drove and drove.

32:17 And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother

meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, Whose art thou? and whither

goest thou? and whose are these before thee? 32:18 Then thou shalt

say, They be thy servant Jacob's; it is a present sent unto my lord

Esau: and, behold, also he is behind us.

32:19 And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that

followed the droves, saying, On this manner shall ye speak unto Esau,

when ye find him.

32:20 And say ye moreover, Behold, thy servant Jacob is behind us. For

he said, I will appease him with the present that goeth before me, and

afterward I will see his face; peradventure he will accept of me.

32:21 So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that

night in the company.

32:22 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two

womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jabbok.

32:23 And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over

that he had.

32:24 And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him

until the breaking of the day.

32:25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched

the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of

joint, as he wrestled with him.

32:26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I

will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

32:27 And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob.

32:28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel:

for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast

prevailed.

32:29 And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, thy name.

And he said, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he

blessed him there.

32:30 And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for I have seen

God face to face, and my life is preserved.

32:31 And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he

halted upon his thigh.

32:32 Therefore the children of Israel eat not of the sinew which

shrank, which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because

he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew that shrank.

33:1 And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came,

and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah,

and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids.

33:2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah

and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost.

33:3 And he passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground

seven times, until he came near to his brother.

33:4 And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck,

and kissed him: and they wept.

33:5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children;

and said, Who are those with thee? And he said, The children which God

hath graciously given thy servant.

33:6 Then the handmaidens came near, they and their children, and they

bowed themselves.

33:7 And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves:

and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

33:8 And he said, What meanest thou by all this drove which I met? And

he said, These are to find grace in the sight of my lord.

33:9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast

unto thyself.

33:10 And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in

thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have

seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast

pleased with me.

33:11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because

God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough. And he

urged him, and he took it.

33:12 And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will

go before thee.

33:13 And he said unto him, My lord knoweth that the children are

tender, and the flocks and herds with young are with me: and if men

should overdrive them one day, all the flock will die.

33:14 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and I

will lead on softly, according as the cattle that goeth before me and

the children be able to endure, until I come unto my lord unto Seir.

33:15 And Esau said, Let me now leave with thee some of the folk that

are with me. And he said, What needeth it? let me find grace in the

sight of my lord.

33:16 So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.

33:17 And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him an house, and made

booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called

Succoth.

33:18 And Jacob came to Shalem, a city of Shechem, which is in the

land of Canaan, when he came from Padanaram; and pitched his tent

before the city.

33:19 And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent,

at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for an hundred

pieces of money.

33:20 And he erected there an altar, and called it EleloheIsrael.

34:1 And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went

out to see the daughters of the land.

34:2 And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the

country, saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and defiled her.

34:3 And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved

the damsel, and spake kindly unto the damsel.

34:4 And Shechem spake unto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this

damsel to wife.

34:5 And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter: now his

sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob held his peace until

they were come.

34:6 And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune

with him.

34:7 And the sons of Jacob came out of the field when they heard it:

and the men were grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had

wrought folly in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter: which thing

ought not to be done.

34:8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem

longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.

34:9 And make ye marriages with us, and give your daughters unto us,

and take our daughters unto you.

34:10 And ye shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you;

dwell and trade ye therein, and get you possessions therein.

34:11 And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren, Let me

find grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.

34:12 Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I will give according

as ye shall say unto me: but give me the damsel to wife.

34:13 And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father

deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah their sister:

34:14 And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our

sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that were a reproach unto us:

34:15 But in this will we consent unto you: If ye will be as we be,

that every male of you be circumcised; 34:16 Then will we give our

daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will

dwell with you, and we will become one people.

34:17 But if ye will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will

we take our daughter, and we will be gone.

34:18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son.

34:19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had

delight in Jacob's daughter: and he was more honourable than all the

house of his father.

34:20 And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city,

and communed with the men of their city, saying, 34:21 These men are

peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade

therein; for the land, behold, it is large enough for them; let us

take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our

daughters.

34:22 Only herein will the men consent unto us for to dwell with us,

to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they are

circumcised.

34:23 Shall not their cattle and their substance and every beast of

their's be our's? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell

with us.

34:24 And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went

out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that

went out of the gate of his city.

34:25 And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that

two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each

man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

34:26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the

sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

34:27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city,

because they had defiled their sister.

34:28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that

which was in the city, and that which was in the field, 34:29 And all

their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they

captive, and spoiled even all that was in the house.

34:30 And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, Ye have troubled me to make

me to stink among the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites

and the Perizzites: and I being few in number, they shall gather

themselves together against me, and slay me; and I shall be destroyed,

I and my house.

34:31 And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?

35:1 And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Bethel, and dwell there:

and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou

fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.

35:2 Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with

him, Put away the strange gods that are among you, and be clean, and

change your garments: 35:3 And let us arise, and go up to Bethel; and

I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my

distress, and was with me in the way which I went.

35:4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their

hand, and all their earrings which were in their ears; and Jacob hid

them under the oak which was by Shechem.

35:5 And they journeyed: and the terror of God was upon the cities

that were round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of

Jacob.

35:6 So Jacob came to Luz, which is in the land of Canaan, that is,

Bethel, he and all the people that were with him.

35:7 And he built there an altar, and called the place Elbethel:

because there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his

brother.

35:8 But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath

Bethel under an oak: and the name of it was called Allonbachuth.

35:9 And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padanaram,

and blessed him.

35:10 And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be

called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his

name Israel.

35:11 And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and

multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and

kings shall come out of thy loins; 35:12 And the land which I gave

Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee

will I give the land.

35:13 And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.

35:14 And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him,

even a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he

poured oil thereon.

35:15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him,

Bethel.

35:16 And they journeyed from Bethel; and there was but a little way

to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.

35:17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the

midwife said unto her, Fear not; thou shalt have this son also.

35:18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she

died) that she called his name Benoni: but his father called him

Benjamin.

35:19 And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is

Bethlehem.

35:20 And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that is the pillar of

Rachel's grave unto this day.

35:21 And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of

Edar.

35:22 And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben

went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard it.

Now the sons of Jacob were twelve: 35:23 The sons of Leah; Reuben,

Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and

Zebulun: 35:24 The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin: 35:25 And the

sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali: 35:26 And the

sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid: Gad, and Asher: these are the sons of

Jacob, which were born to him in Padanaram.

35:27 And Jacob came unto Isaac his father unto Mamre, unto the city

of Arbah, which is Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.

35:28 And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.

35:29 And Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his

people, being old and full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried

him.

36:1 Now these are the generations of Esau, who is Edom.

36:2 Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter

of Elon the Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter

of Zibeon the Hivite; 36:3 And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of

Nebajoth.

36:4 And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel; 36:5 And

Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these are the sons of

Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan.

36:6 And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all

the persons of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all

his substance, which he had got in the land of Canaan; and went into

the country from the face of his brother Jacob.

36:7 For their riches were more than that they might dwell together;

and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because

of their cattle.

36:8 Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: Esau is Edom.

36:9 And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites

in mount Seir: 36:10 These are the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the

son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of

Esau.

36:11 And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and

Kenaz.

36:12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to

Eliphaz Amalek: these were the sons of Adah Esau's wife.

36:13 And these are the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and

Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

36:14 And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the

daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and

Jaalam, and Korah.

36:15 These were dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the

firstborn son of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,

36:16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, and duke Amalek: these are the dukes

that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these were the sons of Adah.

36:17 And these are the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke

Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these are the dukes that came of

Reuel in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Bashemath Esau's

wife.

36:18 And these are the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush,

duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these were the dukes that came of Aholibamah

the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.

36:19 These are the sons of Esau, who is Edom, and these are their

dukes.

36:20 These are the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land;

Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, 36:21 And Dishon, and Ezer,

and Dishan: these are the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir

in the land of Edom.

36:22 And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam; and Lotan's

sister was Timna.

36:23 And the children of Shobal were these; Alvan, and Manahath, and

Ebal, Shepho, and Onam.

36:24 And these are the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this

was that Anah that found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the

asses of Zibeon his father.

36:25 And the children of Anah were these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the

daughter of Anah.

36:26 And these are the children of Dishon; Hemdan, and Eshban, and

Ithran, and Cheran.

36:27 The children of Ezer are these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan.

36:28 The children of Dishan are these; Uz, and Aran.

36:29 These are the dukes that came of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke

Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah, 36:30 Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke

Dishan: these are the dukes that came of Hori, among their dukes in

the land of Seir.

36:31 And these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before

there reigned any king over the children of Israel.

36:32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his

city was Dinhabah.

36:33 And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in

his stead.

36:34 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his

stead.

36:35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in

the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was

Avith.

36:36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

36:37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in

his stead.

36:38 And Saul died, and Baalhanan the son of Achbor reigned in his

stead.

36:39 And Baalhanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his

stead: and the name of his city was Pau; and his wife's name was

Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

36:40 And these are the names of the dukes that came of Esau,

according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke

Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth, 36:41 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah,

duke Pinon, 36:42 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar, 36:43 Duke

Magdiel, duke Iram: these be the dukes of Edom, according to their

habitations in the land of their possession: he is Esau the father of

the Edomites.

37:1 And Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his father was a stranger, in

the land of Canaan.

37:2 These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years

old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad was with the

sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and

Joseph brought unto his father their evil report.

37:3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he

was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colours.

37:4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than

all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto

him.

37:5 And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told it his brethren: and they

hated him yet the more.

37:6 And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have

dreamed: 37:7 For, behold, we were binding sheaves in the field, and,

lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves

stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.

37:8 And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or

shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the

more for his dreams, and for his words.

37:9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and

said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and

the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

37:10 And he told it to his father, and to his brethren: and his

father rebuked him, and said unto him, What is this dream that thou

hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to

bow down ourselves to thee to the earth? 37:11 And his brethren

envied him; but his father observed the saying.

37:12 And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.

37:13 And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed the flock

in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him,

Here am I.

37:14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with

thy brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he

sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.

37:15 And a certain man found him, and, behold, he was wandering in

the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou? 37:16

And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed

their flocks.

37:17 And the man said, They are departed hence; for I heard them say,

Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found

them in Dothan.

37:18 And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto

them, they conspired against him to slay him.

37:19 And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer cometh.

37:20 Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some

pit, and we will say, Some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall

see what will become of his dreams.

37:21 And Reuben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands;

and said, Let us not kill him.

37:22 And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood, but cast him into this

pit that is in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might

rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.

37:23 And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren,

that they stript Joseph out of his coat, his coat of many colours that

was on him; 37:24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the

pit was empty, there was no water in it.

37:25 And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes

and looked, and, behold, a company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead

with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh, going to carry

it down to Egypt.

37:26 And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit is it if we slay

our brother, and conceal his blood? 37:27 Come, and let us sell him

to the Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he is our

brother and our flesh. And his brethren were content.

37:28 Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and

lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites

for twenty pieces of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

37:29 And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph was not in

the pit; and he rent his clothes.

37:30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child is not;

and I, whither shall I go? 37:31 And they took Joseph's coat, and

killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood; 37:32 And

they sent the coat of many colours, and they brought it to their

father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it be thy son's

coat or no.

37:33 And he knew it, and said, It is my son's coat; an evil beast

hath devoured him; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.

37:34 And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins,

and mourned for his son many days.

37:35 And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him;

but he refused to be comforted; and he said, For I will go down into

the grave unto my son mourning. Thus his father wept for him.

37:36 And the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, an officer

of Pharaoh's, and captain of the guard.

38:1 And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his

brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

38:2 And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name

was Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

38:3 And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er.

38:4 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name

Onan.

38:5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name

Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

38:6 And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar.

38:7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD;

and the LORD slew him.

38:8 And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and

marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.

38:9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to

pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on

the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

38:10 And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he

slew him also.

38:11 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at

thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown: for he said, Lest

peradventure he die also, as his brethren did. And Tamar went and

dwelt in her father's house.

38:12 And in process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died;

and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to

Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

38:13 And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold thy father in law goeth up

to Timnath to shear his sheep.

38:14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her

with a vail, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place, which is

by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was

not given unto him to wife.

38:15 When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; because she

had covered her face.

38:16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee,

let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she was his daughter

in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come

in unto me? 38:17 And he said, I will send thee a kid from the flock.

And she said, Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send it? 38:18

And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet,

and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand. And he gave it

her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

38:19 And she arose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and

put on the garments of her widowhood.

38:20 And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite,

to receive his pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.

38:21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where is the

harlot, that was openly by the way side? And they said, There was no

harlot in this place.

38:22 And he returned to Judah, and said, I cannot find her; and also

the men of the place said, that there was no harlot in this place.

38:23 And Judah said, Let her take it to her, lest we be shamed:

behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her.

38:24 And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told

Judah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and

also, behold, she is with child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring her

forth, and let her be burnt.

38:25 When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law,

saying, By the man, whose these are, am I with child: and she said,

Discern, I pray thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and

staff.

38:26 And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She hath been more

righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he

knew her again no more.

38:27 And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold,

twins were in her womb.

38:28 And it came to pass, when she travailed, that the one put out

his hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet

thread, saying, This came out first.

38:29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his

brother came out: and she said, How hast thou broken forth? this

breach be upon thee: therefore his name was called Pharez.

38:30 And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread

upon his hand: and his name was called Zarah.

39:1 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of

Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of

the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.

39:2 And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he

was in the house of his master the Egyptian.

39:3 And his master saw that the LORD was with him, and that the LORD

made all that he did to prosper in his hand.

39:4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he

made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his

hand.

39:5 And it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer

in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the

Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was

upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.

39:6 And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not

ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly

person, and well favoured.

39:7 And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife

cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.

39:8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my

master wotteth not what is with me in the house, and he hath committed

all that he hath to my hand; 39:9 There is none greater in this house

than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because

thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin

against God? 39:10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by

day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, or to be with her.

39:11 And it came to pass about this time, that Joseph went into the

house to do his business; and there was none of the men of the house

there within.

39:12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he

left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.

39:13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment

in her hand, and was fled forth, 39:14 That she called unto the men of

her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an

Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I

cried with a loud voice: 39:15 And it came to pass, when he heard that

I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and

fled, and got him out.

39:16 And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home.

39:17 And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, The

Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to

mock me: 39:18 And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried,

that he left his garment with me, and fled out.

39:19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his

wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy

servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.

39:20 And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a

place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the

prison.

39:21 But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him

favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

39:22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the

prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he

was the doer of it.

39:23 The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing that was under

his hand; because the LORD was with him, and that which he did, the

LORD made it to prosper.

40:1 And it came to pass after these things, that the butler of the

king of Egypt and his baker had offended their lord the king of Egypt.

40:2 And Pharaoh was wroth against two of his officers, against the

chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.

40:3 And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard,

into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound.

40:4 And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he

served them: and they continued a season in ward.

40:5 And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one

night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the

butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which were bound in the

prison.

40:6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon

them, and, behold, they were sad.

40:7 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that were with him in the ward of

his lord's house, saying, Wherefore look ye so sadly to day? 40:8 And

they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and there is no

interpreter of it. And Joseph said unto them, Do not interpretations

belong to God? tell me them, I pray you.

40:9 And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him,

In my dream, behold, a vine was before me; 40:10 And in the vine were

three branches: and it was as though it budded, and her blossoms shot

forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes: 40:11 And

Pharaoh's cup was in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them

into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.

40:12 And Joseph said unto him, This is the interpretation of it: The

three branches are three days: 40:13 Yet within three days shall

Pharaoh lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place: and thou

shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner

when thou wast his butler.

40:14 But think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew

kindness, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh,

and bring me out of this house: 40:15 For indeed I was stolen away out

of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that

they should put me into the dungeon.

40:16 When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he

said unto Joseph, I also was in my dream, and, behold, I had three

white baskets on my head: 40:17 And in the uppermost basket there was

of all manner of bakemeats for Pharaoh; and the birds did eat them out

of the basket upon my head.

40:18 And Joseph answered and said, This is the interpretation

thereof: The three baskets are three days: 40:19 Yet within three days

shall Pharaoh lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a

tree; and the birds shall eat thy flesh from off thee.

40:20 And it came to pass the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday,

that he made a feast unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head

of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.

40:21 And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and

he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand: 40:22 But he hanged the chief

baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.

40:23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgat him.

41:1 And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh

dreamed: and, behold, he stood by the river.

41:2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured

kine and fatfleshed; and they fed in a meadow.

41:3 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the

river, ill favoured and leanfleshed; and stood by the other kine upon

the brink of the river.

41:4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven

well favoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

41:5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears

of corn came up upon one stalk, rank and good.

41:6 And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted with the east wind

sprung up after them.

41:7 And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears.

And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, it was a dream.

41:8 And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled;

and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the

wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but there was none

that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.

41:9 Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember

my faults this day: 41:10 Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put

me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, both me and the chief

baker: 41:11 And we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed

each man according to the interpretation of his dream.

41:12 And there was there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to

the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us

our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret.

41:13 And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he

restored unto mine office, and him he hanged.

41:14 Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him

hastily out of the dungeon: and he shaved himself, and changed his

raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

41:15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and there

is none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, that thou

canst understand a dream to interpret it.

41:16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not in me: God shall

give Pharaoh an answer of peace.

41:17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon

the bank of the river: 41:18 And, behold, there came up out of the

river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in a

meadow: 41:19 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor

and very ill favoured and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the

land of Egypt for badness: 41:20 And the lean and the ill favoured

kine did eat up the first seven fat kine: 41:21 And when they had

eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but

they were still ill favoured, as at the beginning. So I awoke.

41:22 And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up in one

stalk, full and good: 41:23 And, behold, seven ears, withered, thin,

and blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them: 41:24 And the

thin ears devoured the seven good ears: and I told this unto the

magicians; but there was none that could declare it to me.

41:25 And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh is one: God

hath shewed Pharaoh what he is about to do.

41:26 The seven good kine are seven years; and the seven good ears are

seven years: the dream is one.

41:27 And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them

are seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind

shall be seven years of famine.

41:28 This is the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What God is

about to do he sheweth unto Pharaoh.

41:29 Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all

the land of Egypt: 41:30 And there shall arise after them seven years

of famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt;

and the famine shall consume the land; 41:31 And the plenty shall not

be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it shall

be very grievous.

41:32 And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it is

because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it

to pass.

41:33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and

set him over the land of Egypt.

41:34 Let Pharaoh do this, and let him appoint officers over the land,

and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous

years.

41:35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come,

and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in

the cities.

41:36 And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven

years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land

perish not through the famine.

41:37 And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes

of all his servants.

41:38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as

this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is? 41:39 And Pharaoh said

unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, there is none

so discreet and wise as thou art: 41:40 Thou shalt be over my house,

and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the

throne will I be greater than thou.

41:41 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the

land of Egypt.

41:42 And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon

Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a

gold chain about his neck; 41:43 And he made him to ride in the second

chariot which he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he

made him ruler over all the land of Egypt.

41:44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I am Pharaoh, and without thee

shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.

41:45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphnathpaaneah; and he gave

him to wife Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On. And

Joseph went out over all the land of Egypt.

41:46 And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh

king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and

went throughout all the land of Egypt.

41:47 And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by

handfuls.

41:48 And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, which were

in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the food of

the field, which was round about every city, laid he up in the same.

41:49 And Joseph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much,

until he left numbering; for it was without number.

41:50 And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine

came, which Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On bare unto

him.

41:51 And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For God,

said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.

41:52 And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For God hath

caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

41:53 And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of

Egypt, were ended.

41:54 And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Joseph

had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of

Egypt there was bread.

41:55 And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to

Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto

Joseph; what he saith to you, do.

41:56 And the famine was over all the face of the earth: and Joseph

opened all the storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the

famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.

41:57 And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn;

because that the famine was so sore in all lands.

42:1 Now when Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto

his sons, Why do ye look one upon another? 42:2 And he said, Behold,

I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and

buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die.

42:3 And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn in Egypt.

42:4 But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren;

for he said, Lest peradventure mischief befall him.

42:5 And the sons of Israel came to buy corn among those that came:

for the famine was in the land of Canaan.

42:6 And Joseph was the governor over the land, and he it was that

sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and

bowed down themselves before him with their faces to the earth.

42:7 And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself

strange unto them, and spake roughly unto them; and he said unto them,

Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food.

42:8 And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

42:9 And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and

said unto them, Ye are spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are

come.

42:10 And they said unto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy

servants come.

42:11 We are all one man's sons; we are true men, thy servants are no

spies.

42:12 And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land

ye are come.

42:13 And they said, Thy servants are twelve brethren, the sons of one

man in the land of Canaan; and, behold, the youngest is this day with

our father, and one is not.

42:14 And Joseph said unto them, That is it that I spake unto you,

saying, Ye are spies: 42:15 Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of

Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come

hither.

42:16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be

kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether there be any

truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye are spies.

42:17 And he put them all together into ward three days.

42:18 And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; for

I fear God: 42:19 If ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound

in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of your

houses: 42:20 But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your

words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.

42:21 And they said one to another, We are verily guilty concerning

our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought

us, and we would not hear; therefore is this distress come upon us.

42:22 And Reuben answered them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying,

Do not sin against the child; and ye would not hear? therefore,

behold, also his blood is required.

42:23 And they knew not that Joseph understood them; for he spake unto

them by an interpreter.

42:24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to

them again, and communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and

bound him before their eyes.

42:25 Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to

restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision

for the way: and thus did he unto them.

42:26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed thence.

42:27 And as one of them opened his sack to give his ass provender in

the inn, he espied his money; for, behold, it was in his sack's mouth.

42:28 And he said unto his brethren, My money is restored; and, lo, it

is even in my sack: and their heart failed them, and they were afraid,

saying one to another, What is this that God hath done unto us? 42:29

And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and

told him all that befell unto them; saying, 42:30 The man, who is the

lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and took us for spies of the

country.

42:31 And we said unto him, We are true men; we are no spies: 42:32 We

be twelve brethren, sons of our father; one is not, and the youngest

is this day with our father in the land of Canaan.

42:33 And the man, the lord of the country, said unto us, Hereby shall

I know that ye are true men; leave one of your brethren here with me,

and take food for the famine of your households, and be gone: 42:34

And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye are

no spies, but that ye are true men: so will I deliver you your

brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.

42:35 And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold,

every man's bundle of money was in his sack: and when both they and

their father saw the bundles of money, they were afraid.

42:36 And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have ye bereaved of my

children: Joseph is not, and Simeon is not, and ye will take Benjamin

away: all these things are against me.

42:37 And Reuben spake unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I

bring him not to thee: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him

to thee again.

42:38 And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother

is dead, and he is left alone: if mischief befall him by the way in

the which ye go, then shall ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to

the grave.

43:1 And the famine was sore in the land.

43:2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they

had brought out of Egypt, their father said unto them, Go again, buy

us a little food.

43:3 And Judah spake unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest

unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with

you.

43:4 If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy

thee food: 43:5 But if thou wilt not send him, we will not go down:

for the man said unto us, Ye shall not see my face, except your

brother be with you.

43:6 And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye so ill with me, as to tell

the man whether ye had yet a brother? 43:7 And they said, The man

asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, Is your

father yet alive? have ye another brother? and we told him according

to the tenor of these words: could we certainly know that he would

say, Bring your brother down? 43:8 And Judah said unto Israel his

father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may

live, and not die, both we, and thou, and also our little ones.

43:9 I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I

bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the

blame for ever: 43:10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had

returned this second time.

43:11 And their father Israel said unto them, If it must be so now, do

this; take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry

down the man a present, a little balm, and a little honey, spices, and

myrrh, nuts, and almonds: 43:12 And take double money in your hand;

and the money that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry

it again in your hand; peradventure it was an oversight: 43:13 Take

also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man: 43:14 And God

Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your

other brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved of my children, I am

bereaved.

43:15 And the men took that present, and they took double money in

their hand and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and

stood before Joseph.

43:16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of

his house, Bring these men home, and slay, and make ready; for these

men shall dine with me at noon.

43:17 And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into

Joseph's house.

43:18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's

house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our

sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may seek occasion

against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses.

43:19 And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they

communed with him at the door of the house, 43:20 And said, O sir, we

came indeed down at the first time to buy food: 43:21 And it came to

pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold,

every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full

weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.

43:22 And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food:

we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

43:23 And he said, Peace be to you, fear not: your God, and the God of

your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money.

And he brought Simeon out unto them.

43:24 And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them

water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

43:25 And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for

they heard that they should eat bread there.

43:26 And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which

was in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the

earth.

43:27 And he asked them of their welfare, and said, Is your father

well, the old man of whom ye spake? Is he yet alive? 43:28 And they

answered, Thy servant our father is in good health, he is yet alive.

And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

43:29 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, his

mother's son, and said, Is this your younger brother, of whom ye spake

unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto thee, my son.

43:30 And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his

brother: and he sought where to weep; and he entered into his chamber,

and wept there.

43:31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and

said, Set on bread.

43:32 And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves,

and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves: because

the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that is an

abomination unto the Egyptians.

43:33 And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his

birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men

marvelled one at another.

43:34 And he took and sent messes unto them from before him: but

Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of their's. And they

drank, and were merry with him.

44:1 And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's

sacks with food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money

in his sack's mouth.

44:2 And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the

youngest, and his corn money. And he did according to the word that

Joseph had spoken.

44:3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they

and their asses.

44:4 And when they were gone out of the city, and not yet far off,

Joseph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when thou

dost overtake them, say unto them, Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for

good? 44:5 Is not this it in which my lord drinketh, and whereby

indeed he divineth? ye have done evil in so doing.

44:6 And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

44:7 And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God

forbid that thy servants should do according to this thing: 44:8

Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought

again unto thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal

out of thy lord's house silver or gold? 44:9 With whomsoever of thy

servants it be found, both let him die, and we also will be my lord's

bondmen.

44:10 And he said, Now also let it be according unto your words: he

with whom it is found shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.

44:11 Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the ground,

and opened every man his sack.

44:12 And he searched, and began at the eldest, and left at the

youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

44:13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and

returned to the city.

44:14 And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he was

yet there: and they fell before him on the ground.

44:15 And Joseph said unto them, What deed is this that ye have done?

wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly divine? 44:16 And Judah

said, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how

shall we clear ourselves? God hath found out the iniquity of thy

servants: behold, we are my lord's servants, both we, and he also with

whom the cup is found.

44:17 And he said, God forbid that I should do so: but the man in

whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my servant; and as for you,

get you up in peace unto your father.

44:18 Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh my lord, let thy

servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not

thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou art even as Pharaoh.

44:19 My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a

brother? 44:20 And we said unto my lord, We have a father, an old

man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is

dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him.

44:21 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Bring him down unto me, that

I may set mine eyes upon him.

44:22 And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for

if he should leave his father, his father would die.

44:23 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Except your youngest brother

come down with you, ye shall see my face no more.

44:24 And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father,

we told him the words of my lord.

44:25 And our father said, Go again, and buy us a little food.

44:26 And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with

us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except

our youngest brother be with us.

44:27 And thy servant my father said unto us, Ye know that my wife

bare me two sons: 44:28 And the one went out from me, and I said,

Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since: 44:29 And if ye

take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down

my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

44:30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad

be not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the lad's life;

44:31 It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad is not with

us, that he will die: and thy servants shall bring down the gray hairs

of thy servant our father with sorrow to the grave.

44:32 For thy servant became surety for the lad unto my father,

saying, If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to

my father for ever.

44:33 Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide instead of the

lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

44:34 For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad be not with me?

lest peradventure I see the evil that shall come on my father.

45:1 Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood

by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there

stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his

brethren.

45:2 And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh

heard.

45:3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I am Joseph; doth my father

yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were

troubled at his presence.

45:4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you.

And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye

sold into Egypt.

45:5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye

sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.

45:6 For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet

there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor

harvest.

45:7 And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the

earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

45:8 So now it was not you that sent me hither, but God: and he hath

made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler

throughout all the land of Egypt.

45:9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith

thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me,

tarry not: 45:10 And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou

shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's

children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast: 45:11

And there will I nourish thee; for yet there are five years of famine;

lest thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.

45:12 And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin,

that it is my mouth that speaketh unto you.

45:13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all

that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither.

45:14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and

Benjamin wept upon his neck.

45:15 Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and

after that his brethren talked with him.

45:16 And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying,

Joseph's brethren are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his

servants.

45:17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye;

lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan; 45:18 And

take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will

give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of

the land.

45:19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the

land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your

father, and come.

45:20 Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of

Egypt is your's.

45:21 And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons,

according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for

the way.

45:22 To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to

Benjamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver, and five changes of

raiment.

45:23 And to his father he sent after this manner; ten asses laden

with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and

bread and meat for his father by the way.

45:24 So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said

unto them, See that ye fall not out by the way.

45:25 And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan

unto Jacob their father, 45:26 And told him, saying, Joseph is yet

alive, and he is governor over all the land of Egypt. And Jacob's

heart fainted, for he believed them not.

45:27 And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said

unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry

him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived: 45:28 And Israel said,

It is enough; Joseph my son is yet alive: I will go and see him before

I die.

46:1 And Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to

Beersheba, and offered sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac.

46:2 And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said,

Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here am I.

46:3 And he said, I am God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down

into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation: 46:4 I will

go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up

again: and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.

46:5 And Jacob rose up from Beersheba: and the sons of Israel carried

Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the

wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

46:6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had

gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his

seed with him: 46:7 His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his

daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with

him into Egypt.

46:8 And these are the names of the children of Israel, which came

into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

46:9 And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and

Carmi.

46:10 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin,

and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.

46:11 And the sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

46:12 And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and

Zarah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of

Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.

46:13 And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and Phuvah, and Job, and

Shimron.

46:14 And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.

46:15 These be the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in

Padanaram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his

daughters were thirty and three.

46:16 And the sons of Gad; Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri,

and Arodi, and Areli.

46:17 And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah,

and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.

46:18 These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his

daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.

46:19 The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.

46:20 And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and

Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On bare

unto him.

46:21 And the sons of Benjamin were Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel,

Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard.

46:22 These are the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the

souls were fourteen.

46:23 And the sons of Dan; Hushim.

46:24 And the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and

Shillem.

46:25 These are the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachel his

daughter, and she bare these unto Jacob: all the souls were seven.

46:26 All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of

his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were threescore

and six; 46:27 And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt,

were two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into

Egypt, were threescore and ten.

46:28 And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face

unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.

46:29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel

his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on

his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.

46:30 And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen

thy face, because thou art yet alive.

46:31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house,

I will go up, and shew Pharaoh, and say unto him, My brethren, and my

father's house, which were in the land of Canaan, are come unto me;

46:32 And the men are shepherds, for their trade hath been to feed

cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all

that they have.

46:33 And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and

shall say, What is your occupation? 46:34 That ye shall say, Thy

servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now,

both we, and also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of

Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

47:1 Then Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my

brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have,

are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they are in the land

of Goshen.

47:2 And he took some of his brethren, even five men, and presented

them unto Pharaoh.

47:3 And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, What is your occupation? And

they said unto Pharaoh, Thy servants are shepherds, both we, and also

our fathers.

47:4 They said morever unto Pharaoh, For to sojourn in the land are we

come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the

famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let

thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen.

47:5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy

brethren are come unto thee: 47:6 The land of Egypt is before thee; in

the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; in the

land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any men of activity

among them, then make them rulers over my cattle.

47:7 And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before

Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

47:8 And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How old art thou? 47:9 And Jacob

said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are an

hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of

my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the

life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

47:10 And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.

47:11 And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a

possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land

of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

47:12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his

father's household, with bread, according to their families.

47:13 And there was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very

sore, so that the land of Egypt and all the land of Canaan fainted by

reason of the famine.

47:14 And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land

of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought:

and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

47:15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of

Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread:

for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

47:16 And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your

cattle, if money fail.

47:17 And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them

bread in exchange for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle

of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all

their cattle for that year.

47:18 When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year,

and said unto him, We will not hide it from my lord, how that our

money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not

ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

47:19 Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land?

buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants

unto Pharaoh: and give us seed, that we may live, and not die, that

the land be not desolate.

47:20 And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the

Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over

them: so the land became Pharaoh's.

47:21 And as for the people, he removed them to cities from one end of

the borders of Egypt even to the other end thereof.

47:22 Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had

a portion assigned them of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which

Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands.

47:23 Then Joseph said unto the people, Behold, I have bought you this

day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, here is seed for you, and ye shall

sow the land.

47:24 And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give

the fifth part unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for

seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households,

and for food for your little ones.

47:25 And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in

the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants.

47:26 And Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt unto this day,

that Pharaoh should have the fifth part, except the land of the

priests only, which became not Pharaoh's.

47:27 And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen;

and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied

exceedingly.

47:28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the

whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

47:29 And the time drew nigh that Israel must die: and he called his

son Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight,

put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly

with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt: 47:30 But I will lie with

my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their

buryingplace. And he said, I will do as thou hast said.

47:31 And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And Israel

bowed himself upon the bed's head.

48:1 And it came to pass after these things, that one told Joseph,

Behold, thy father is sick: and he took with him his two sons,

Manasseh and Ephraim.

48:2 And one told Jacob, and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto

thee: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

48:3 And Jacob said unto Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz

in the land of Canaan, and blessed me, 48:4 And said unto me, Behold,

I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee

a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee

for an everlasting possession.

48:5 And now thy two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto

thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, are

mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

48:6 And thy issue, which thou begettest after them, shall be thine,

and shall be called after the name of their brethren in their

inheritance.

48:7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, Rachel died by me in the

land of Canaan in the way, when yet there was but a little way to come

unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; the same

is Bethlehem.

48:8 And Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, Who are these? 48:9

And Joseph said unto his father, They are my sons, whom God hath given

me in this place. And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I

will bless them.

48:10 Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he could not

see.

And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced

them.

48:11 And Israel said unto Joseph, I had not thought to see thy face:

and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed.

48:12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed

himself with his face to the earth.

48:13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward

Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's

right hand, and brought them near unto him.

48:14 And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid it upon

Ephraim's head, who was the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's

head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh was the firstborn.

48:15 And he blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers

Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto

this day, 48:16 The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the

lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers

Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of

the earth.

48:17 And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the

head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand,

to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.

48:18 And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this is

the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.

48:19 And his father refused, and said, I know it, my son, I know it:

he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly

his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall

become a multitude of nations.

48:20 And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel

bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set

Ephraim before Manasseh.

48:21 And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die: but God shall be

with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.

48:22 Moreover I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren,

which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my

bow.

49:1 And Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves

together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the last

days.

49:2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and

hearken unto Israel your father.

49:3 Reuben, thou art my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my

strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power: 49:4

Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to

thy father's bed; then defiledst thou it: he went up to my couch.

49:5 Simeon and Levi are brethren; instruments of cruelty are in their

habitations.

49:6 O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly,

mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a man,

and in their selfwill they digged down a wall.

49:7 Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for it

was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.

49:8 Judah, thou art he whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand shall

be in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down

before thee.

49:9 Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up:

he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall

rouse him up? 49:10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a

lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall

the gathering of the people be.

49:11 Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the

choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the

blood of grapes: 49:12 His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth

white with milk.

49:13 Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he shall be for

an haven of ships; and his border shall be unto Zidon.

49:14 Issachar is a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

49:15 And he saw that rest was good, and the land that it was

pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto

tribute.

49:16 Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.

49:17 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that

biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.

49:18 I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.

49:19 Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the

last.

49:20 Out of Asher his bread shall be fat, and he shall yield royal

dainties.

49:21 Naphtali is a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.

49:22 Joseph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well;

whose branches run over the wall: 49:23 The archers have sorely

grieved him, and shot at him, and hated him: 49:24 But his bow abode

in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands

of the mighty God of Jacob; (from thence is the shepherd, the stone of

Israel:) 49:25 Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and

by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above,

blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and

of the womb: 49:26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above

the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the

everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the

crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

49:27 Benjamin shall ravin as a wolf: in the morning he shall devour

the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil.

49:28 All these are the twelve tribes of Israel: and this is it that

their father spake unto them, and blessed them; every one according to

his blessing he blessed them.

49:29 And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered

unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the

field of Ephron the Hittite, 49:30 In the cave that is in the field of

Machpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham

bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a

buryingplace.

49:31 There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried

Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah.

49:32 The purchase of the field and of the cave that is therein was

from the children of Heth.

49:33 And when Jacob had made an end of commanding his sons, he

gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was

gathered unto his people.

50:1 And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and

kissed him.

50:2 And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his

father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.

50:3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the

days of those which are embalmed: and the Egyptians mourned for him

threescore and ten days.

50:4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto

the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes,

speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying, 50:5 My father made

me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me in

the land of Canaan, there shalt thou bury me. Now therefore let me go

up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again.

50:6 And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he

made thee swear.

50:7 And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all

the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders

of the land of Egypt, 50:8 And all the house of Joseph, and his

brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their

flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen.

50:9 And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was

a very great company.

50:10 And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which is beyond

Jordan, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation:

and he made a mourning for his father seven days.

50:11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the

mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, This is a grievous mourning

to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it was called Abelmizraim,

which is beyond Jordan.

50:12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them: 50:13

For his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in

the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the

field for a possession of a buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before

Mamre.

50:14 And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all

that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his

father.

50:15 And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they

said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us

all the evil which we did unto him.

50:16 And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did

command before he died, saying, 50:17 So shall ye say unto Joseph,

Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin;

for they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the

trespass of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept

when they spake unto him.

50:18 And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and

they said, Behold, we be thy servants.

50:19 And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for am I in the place of

God? 50:20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant

it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people

alive.

50:21 Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little

ones.

And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.

50:22 And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and

Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

50:23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation: the

children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up upon

Joseph's knees.

50:24 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely

visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware

to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

50:25 And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God

will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.

50:26 So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they

embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

The Second Book of Moses: Called Exodus

1:1 Now these are the names of the children of Israel, which came

into Egypt; every man and his household came with Jacob.

1:2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, 1:3 Issachar, Zebulun, and

Benjamin, 1:4 Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

1:5 And all the souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were seventy

souls: for Joseph was in Egypt already.

1:6 And Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation.

1:7 And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased

abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land

was filled with them.

1:8 Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.

1:9 And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of

Israel are more and mightier than we: 1:10 Come on, let us deal wisely

with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there

falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight

against us, and so get them up out of the land.

1:11 Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with

their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh treasure cities, Pithom and

Raamses.

1:12 But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and

grew.

And they were grieved because of the children of Israel.

1:13 And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with

rigour: 1:14 And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in

morter, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all

their service, wherein they made them serve, was with rigour.

1:15 And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the

name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah: 1:16 And

he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and

see them upon the stools; if it be a son, then ye shall kill him: but

if it be a daughter, then she shall live.

1:17 But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt

commanded them, but saved the men children alive.

1:18 And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto

them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children

alive? 1:19 And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew

women are not as the Egyptian women; for they are lively, and are

delivered ere the midwives come in unto them.

1:20 Therefore God dealt well with the midwives: and the people

multiplied, and waxed very mighty.

1:21 And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he

made them houses.

1:22 And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is

born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save

alive.

2:1 And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took to wife a

daughter of Levi.

2:2 And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that

he was a goodly child, she hid him three months.

2:3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of

bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child

therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink.

2:4 And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.

2:5 And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash herself at the

river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she

saw the ark among the flags, she sent her maid to fetch it.

2:6 And when she had opened it, she saw the child: and, behold, the

babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This is one of the

Hebrews' children.

2:7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to

thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for

thee? 2:8 And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went

and called the child's mother.

2:9 And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and

nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the women took

the child, and nursed it.

2:10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter,

and he became her son. And she called his name Moses: and she said,

Because I drew him out of the water.

2:11 And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he

went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied

an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.

2:12 And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there

was no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.

2:13 And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the

Hebrews strove together: and he said to him that did the wrong,

Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow? 2:14 And he said, Who made thee a

prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou

killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing

is known.

2:15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But

Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian:

and he sat down by a well.

2:16 Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and

drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

2:17 And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up

and helped them, and watered their flock.

2:18 And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How is it that

ye are come so soon to day? 2:19 And they said, An Egyptian delivered

us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water enough for

us, and watered the flock.

2:20 And he said unto his daughters, And where is he? why is it that

ye have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread.

2:21 And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses

Zipporah his daughter.

2:22 And she bare him a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he

said, I have been a stranger in a strange land.

2:23 And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt

died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and

they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage.

2:24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant

with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.

2:25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect

unto them.

3:1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest

of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and

came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb.

3:2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out

of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned

with fire, and the bush was not consumed.

3:3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight,

why the bush is not burnt.

3:4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto

him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said,

Here am I.

3:5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy

feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

3:6 Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham,

the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he

was afraid to look upon God.

3:7 And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people

which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their

taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; 3:8 And I am come down to

deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up

out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing

with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the

Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and

the Jebusites.

3:9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come

unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians

oppress them.

3:10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou

mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.

3:11 And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh,

and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?

3:12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this shall be a

token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth

the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.

3:13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of

Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me

unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say

unto them? 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said,

Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me

unto you.

3:15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the

children of Israel, the LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham,

the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is

my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.

3:16 Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them,

The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of

Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and seen

that which is done to you in Egypt: 3:17 And I have said, I will bring

you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanites,

and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the

Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.

3:18 And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou

and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say

unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath met with us: and now let us

go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we

may sacrifice to the LORD our God.

3:19 And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not

by a mighty hand.

3:20 And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my

wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will

let you go.

3:21 And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians:

and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty.

3:22 But every woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that

sojourneth in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and

raiment: and ye shall put them upon your sons, and upon your

daughters; and ye shall spoil the Egyptians.

4:1 And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe

me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not

appeared unto thee.

4:2 And the LORD said unto him, What is that in thine hand? And he

said, A rod.

4:3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground,

and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

4:4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by

the tail. And he put forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a

rod in his hand: 4:5 That they may believe that the LORD God of their

fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob,

hath appeared unto thee.

4:6 And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into

thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it

out, behold, his hand was leprous as snow.

4:7 And he said, Put thine hand into thy bosom again. And he put his

hand into his bosom again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and,

behold, it was turned again as his other flesh.

4:8 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither

hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the

voice of the latter sign.

4:9 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two

signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the

water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land: and the water which

thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry land.

4:10 And Moses said unto the LORD, O my LORD, I am not eloquent,

neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I

am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

4:11 And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who

maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the

LORD? 4:12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach

thee what thou shalt say.

4:13 And he said, O my LORD, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him

whom thou wilt send.

4:14 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said,

Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well.

And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth

thee, he will be glad in his heart.

4:15 And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I

will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye

shall do.

4:16 And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be,

even he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him

instead of God.

4:17 And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt

do signs.

4:18 And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father in law, and said

unto him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which

are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to

Moses, Go in peace.

4:19 And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt:

for all the men are dead which sought thy life.

4:20 And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass,

and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in

his hand.

4:21 And the LORD said unto Moses, When thou goest to return into

Egypt, see that thou do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have

put in thine hand: but I will harden his heart, that he shall not let

the people go.

4:22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel is

my son, even my firstborn: 4:23 And I say unto thee, Let my son go,

that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will

slay thy son, even thy firstborn.

4:24 And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the LORD met him,

and sought to kill him.

4:25 Then Zipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her

son, and cast it at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband art

thou to me.

4:26 So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband thou art,

because of the circumcision.

4:27 And the LORD said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses.

And he went, and met him in the mount of God, and kissed him.

4:28 And Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD who had sent him,

and all the signs which he had commanded him.

4:29 And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of

the children of Israel: 4:30 And Aaron spake all the words which the

LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the

people.

4:31 And the people believed: and when they heard that the LORD had

visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their

affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.

5:1 And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus

saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a

feast unto me in the wilderness.

5:2 And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to

let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

5:3 And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go,

we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto

the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the

sword.

5:4 And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and

Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.

5:5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and

ye make them rest from their burdens.

5:6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people,

and their officers, saying, 5:7 Ye shall no more give the people straw

to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for

themselves.

5:8 And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye

shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be

idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God.

5:9 Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour

therein; and let them not regard vain words.

5:10 And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers,

and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not

give you straw.

5:11 Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your

work shall be diminished.

5:12 So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of

Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

5:13 And the taskmasters hasted them, saying, Fulfil your works, your

daily tasks, as when there was straw.

5:14 And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's

taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, and demanded, Wherefore

have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to

day, as heretofore? 5:15 Then the officers of the children of Israel

came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with

thy servants? 5:16 There is no straw given unto thy servants, and

they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, thy servants are beaten; but

the fault is in thine own people.

5:17 But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us

go and do sacrifice to the LORD.

5:18 Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given

you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.

5:19 And the officers of the children of Israel did see that they were

in evil case, after it was said, Ye shall not minish ought from your

bricks of your daily task.

5:20 And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came

forth from Pharaoh: 5:21 And they said unto them, The LORD look upon

you, and judge; because ye have made our savour to be abhorred in the

eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in

their hand to slay us.

5:22 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, LORD, wherefore hast

thou so evil entreated this people? why is it that thou hast sent me?

5:23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done

evil to this people; neither hast thou delivered thy people at all.

6:1 Then the LORD said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do

to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a

strong hand shall he drive them out of his land.

6:2 And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the LORD: 6:3

And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name

of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.

6:4 And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them

the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were

strangers.

6:5 And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom

the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.

6:6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I am the LORD, and I

will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will

rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched

out arm, and with great judgments: 6:7 And I will take you to me for a

people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I am the

LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the

Egyptians.

6:8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did

swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give

it you for an heritage: I am the LORD.

6:9 And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened

not unto Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.

6:10 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:11 Go in, speak unto

Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of

his land.

6:12 And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of

Israel have not hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who

am of uncircumcised lips? 6:13 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto

Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto

Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land

of Egypt.

6:14 These be the heads of their fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben

the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these

be the families of Reuben.

6:15 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin,

and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these are the

families of Simeon.

6:16 And these are the names of the sons of Levi according to their

generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the

life of Levi were an hundred thirty and seven years.

6:17 The sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi, according to their

families.

6:18 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel:

and the years of the life of Kohath were an hundred thirty and three

years.

6:19 And the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi: these are the families

of Levi according to their generations.

6:20 And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she

bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram were an

hundred and thirty and seven years.

6:21 And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.

6:22 And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.

6:23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of

Naashon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and

Ithamar.

6:24 And the sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these

are the families of the Korhites.

6:25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him one of the daughters of Putiel

to wife; and she bare him Phinehas: these are the heads of the fathers

of the Levites according to their families.

6:26 These are that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, Bring out

the children of Israel from the land of Egypt according to their

armies.

6:27 These are they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out

the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron.

6:28 And it came to pass on the day when the LORD spake unto Moses in

the land of Egypt, 6:29 That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I am

the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto

thee.

6:30 And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, I am of uncircumcised

lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me? 7:1 And the LORD said

unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy

brother shall be thy prophet.

7:2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother

shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of

his land.

7:3 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my

wonders in the land of Egypt.

7:4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand

upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of

Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.

7:5 And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I stretch

forth mine hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from

among them.

7:6 And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they.

7:7 And Moses was fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore and three

years old, when they spake unto Pharaoh.

7:8 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 7:9 When

Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle for you: then

thou shalt say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast it before Pharaoh,

and it shall become a serpent.

7:10 And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the

LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and

before his servants, and it became a serpent.

7:11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the

magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their

enchantments.

7:12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents:

but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

7:13 And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them;

as the LORD had said.

7:14 And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is hardened, he

refuseth to let the people go.

7:15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the

water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come; and

the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt thou take in thine hand.

7:16 And thou shalt say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath

sent me unto thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in

the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

7:17 Thus saith the LORD, In this thou shalt know that I am the LORD:

behold, I will smite with the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters

which are in the river, and they shall be turned to blood.

7:18 And the fish that is in the river shall die, and the river shall

stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the

river.

7:19 And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and

stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams,

upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of

water, that they may become blood; and that there may be blood

throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in

vessels of stone.

7:20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he lifted

up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight

of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that

were in the river were turned to blood.

7:21 And the fish that was in the river died; and the river stank, and

the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river; and there was

blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

7:22 And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and

Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the

LORD had said.

7:23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set

his heart to this also.

7:24 And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to

drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river.

7:25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten

the river.

8:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him,

Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

8:2 And if thou refuse to let them go, behold, I will smite all thy

borders with frogs: 8:3 And the river shall bring forth frogs

abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into thy

bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and

upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs:

8:4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and

upon all thy servants.

8:5 And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine

hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the

ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt.

8:6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the

frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

8:7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up

frogs upon the land of Egypt.

8:8 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Intreat the

LORD, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and

I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the LORD.

8:9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I intreat

for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the

frogs from thee and thy houses, that they may remain in the river

only? 8:10 And he said, To morrow. And he said, Be it according to

thy word: that thou mayest know that there is none like unto the LORD

our God.

8:11 And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and

from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river

only.

8:12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto

the LORD because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh.

8:13 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs

died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields.

8:14 And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank.

8:15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his

heart, and hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

8:16 And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy

rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice

throughout all the land of Egypt.

8:17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod,

and smote the dust of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in

beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of

Egypt.

8:18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth

lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

8:19 Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God:

and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as

the LORD had said.

8:20 And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and

stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto

him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

8:21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send

swarms of flies upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people,

and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of

swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are.

8:22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my

people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou

mayest know that I am the LORD in the midst of the earth.

8:23 And I will put a division between my people and thy people: to

morrow shall this sign be.

8:24 And the LORD did so; and there came a grievous swarm of flies

into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses, and into all

the land of Egypt: the land was corrupted by reason of the swarm of

flies.

8:25 And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye,

sacrifice to your God in the land.

8:26 And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice

the abomination of the Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo, shall we

sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will

they not stone us? 8:27 We will go three days' journey into the

wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God, as he shall command us.

8:28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the

LORD your God in the wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away:

intreat for me.

8:29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat

the LORD that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his

servants, and from his people, to morrow: but let not Pharaoh deal

deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the

LORD.

8:30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.

8:31 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed

the swarms of flies from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his

people; there remained not one.

8:32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would

he let the people go.

9:1 Then the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him,

Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they

may serve me.

9:2 For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt hold them still, 9:3

Behold, the hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which is in the field,

upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and

upon the sheep: there shall be a very grievous murrain.

9:4 And the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the

cattle of Egypt: and there shall nothing die of all that is the

children's of Israel.

9:5 And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the LORD

shall do this thing in the land.

9:6 And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of

Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

9:7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of

the Israelites dead. And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did

not let the people go.

9:8 And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls

of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven

in the sight of Pharaoh.

9:9 And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall

be a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast,

throughout all the land of Egypt.

9:10 And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and

Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking

forth with blains upon man, and upon beast.

9:11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the

boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the

Egyptians.

9:12 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not

unto them; as the LORD had spoken unto Moses.

9:13 And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and

stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the

Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

9:14 For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and

upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that

there is none like me in all the earth.

9:15 For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy

people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

9:16 And in very deed for this cause have I raised thee up, for to

shew in thee my power; and that my name may be declared throughout all

the earth.

9:17 As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt

not let them go? 9:18 Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause

it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since

the foundation thereof even until now.

9:19 Send therefore now, and gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast

in the field; for upon every man and beast which shall be found in the

field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon

them, and they shall die.

9:20 He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh

made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses: 9:21 And he

that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his

cattle in the field.

9:22 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward

heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and

upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of

Egypt.

9:23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD

sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the

LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

9:24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous,

such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it

became a nation.

9:25 And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that was

in the field, both man and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the

field, and brake every tree of the field.

9:26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were,

was there no hail.

9:27 And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto

them, I have sinned this time: the LORD is righteous, and I and my

people are wicked.

9:28 Intreat the LORD (for it is enough) that there be no more mighty

thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no

longer.

9:29 And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I

will spread abroad my hands unto the LORD; and the thunder shall

cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how

that the earth is the LORD's.

9:30 But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet

fear the LORD God.

9:31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley was in

the ear, and the flax was bolled.

9:32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they were not

grown up.

9:33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad

his hands unto the LORD: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the

rain was not poured upon the earth.

9:34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders

were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his

servants.

9:35 And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the

children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

10:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have

hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew

these my signs before him: 10:2 And that thou mayest tell in the ears

of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have wrought in Egypt,

and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I

am the LORD.

10:3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus

saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble

thyself before me? let my people go, that they may serve me.

10:4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to morrow will

I bring the locusts into thy coast: 10:5 And they shall cover the face

of the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth: and they shall

eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you

from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of

the field: 10:6 And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all

thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy

fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they

were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out

from Pharaoh.

10:7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be

a snare unto us? let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their

God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed? 10:8 And Moses and

Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go,

serve the LORD your God: but who are they that shall go? 10:9 And

Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons

and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go;

for we must hold a feast unto the LORD.

10:10 And he said unto them, Let the LORD be so with you, as I will

let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for evil is before you.

10:11 Not so: go now ye that are men, and serve the LORD; for that ye

did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

10:12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the

land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of

Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, even all that the hail hath

left.

10:13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and

the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all that

night; and when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.

10:14 And the locust went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in

all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous were they; before them there

were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such.

10:15 For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land

was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the

fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any

green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all

the land of Egypt.

10:16 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I

have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.

10:17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and

intreat the LORD your God, that he may take away from me this death

only.

10:18 And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.

10:19 And the LORD turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away

the locusts, and cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one

locust in all the coasts of Egypt.

10:20 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let

the children of Israel go.

10:21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward

heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even

darkness which may be felt.

10:22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was

a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days: 10:23 They saw

not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but

all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

10:24 And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the LORD;

only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones

also go with you.

10:25 And Moses said, Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt

offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the LORD our God.

10:26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be

left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God; and

we know not with what we must serve the LORD, until we come thither.

10:27 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them

go.

10:28 And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to

thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou

shalt die.

10:29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again

no more.

11:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague more

upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence:

when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out hence

altogether.

11:2 Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man borrow of

his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver and

jewels of gold.

11:3 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the

Egyptians.

Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the

sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

11:4 And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out

into the midst of Egypt: 11:5 And all the firstborn in the land of

Egypt shall die, from the first born of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his

throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that is behind the

mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.

11:6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt,

such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

11:7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move

his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD

doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

11:8 And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down

themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that

follow thee: and after that I will go out. And he went out from

Pharaoh in a great anger.

11:9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you;

that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.

11:10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and

the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the

children of Israel go out of his land.

12:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt

saying, 12:2 This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it

shall be the first month of the year to you.

12:3 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the

tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb,

according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: 12:4 And

if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour

next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls;

every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

12:5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye

shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: 12:6 And ye shall

keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole

assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

12:7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side

posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat

it.

12:8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and

unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.

12:9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with

fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

12:10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and

that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

12:11 And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on

your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste:

it is the LORD's passover.

12:12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will

smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and

against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.

12:13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where

ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague

shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

12:14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep

it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a

feast by an ordinance for ever.

12:15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye

shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth

leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul

shall be cut off from Israel.

12:16 And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation, and in

the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner

of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat,

that only may be done of you.

12:17 And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this

selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt:

therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an

ordinance for ever.

12:18 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even,

ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the

month at even.

12:19 Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for

whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut

off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born

in the land.

12:20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye

eat unleavened bread.

12:21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto

them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and

kill the passover.

12:22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood

that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts

with the blood that is in the bason; and none of you shall go out at

the door of his house until the morning.

12:23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when

he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the

LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to

come in unto your houses to smite you.

12:24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to

thy sons for ever.

12:25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the

LORD will give you, according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep

this service.

12:26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto

you, What mean ye by this service? 12:27 That ye shall say, It is the

sacrifice of the LORD's passover, who passed over the houses of the

children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and

delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped.

12:28 And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had

commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

12:29 And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the

firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat

on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the

dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

12:30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and

all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt; for there was

not a house where there was not one dead.

12:31 And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up,

and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of

Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have said.

12:32 Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be

gone; and bless me also.

12:33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might

send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We be all dead men.

12:34 And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their

kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

12:35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses;

and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of

gold, and raiment: 12:36 And the LORD gave the people favour in the

sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as

they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

12:37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth,

about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children.

12:38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and

herds, even very much cattle.

12:39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought

forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust

out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for

themselves any victual.

12:40 Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in

Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.

12:41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty

years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of

the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

12:42 It is a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing

them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the LORD to be

observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

12:43 And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This is the ordinance of

the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof: 12:44 But every

man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised

him, then shall he eat thereof.

12:45 A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.

12:46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought

of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone

thereof.

12:47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.

12:48 And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the

passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let

him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the

land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

12:49 One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger

that sojourneth among you.

12:50 Thus did all the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses

and Aaron, so did they.

12:51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, that the LORD did bring

the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

13:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 13:2 Sanctify unto me all

the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the children of

Israel, both of man and of beast: it is mine.

13:3 And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye

came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of

hand the LORD brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened

bread be eaten.

13:4 This day came ye out in the month Abib.

13:5 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of

the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites,

and the Jebusites, which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a

land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in

this month.

13:6 Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh

day shall be a feast to the LORD.

13:7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no

leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen

with thee in all thy quarters.

13:8 And thou shalt shew thy son in that day, saying, This is done

because of that which the LORD did unto me when I came forth out of

Egypt.

13:9 And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a

memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth:

for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee out of Egypt.

13:10 Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year

to year.

13:11 And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of

the Canaanites, as he sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall

give it thee, 13:12 That thou shalt set apart unto the LORD all that

openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which

thou hast; the males shall be the LORD's.

13:13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb; and

if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all

the firstborn of man among thy children shalt thou redeem.

13:14 And it shall be when thy son asketh thee in time to come,

saying, What is this? that thou shalt say unto him, By strength of

hand the LORD brought us out from Egypt, from the house of bondage:

13:15 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that

the LORD slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the

firstborn of man, and the firstborn of beast: therefore I sacrifice to

the LORD all that openeth the matrix, being males; but all the

firstborn of my children I redeem.

13:16 And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets

between thine eyes: for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth

out of Egypt.

13:17 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that

God led them not through the way of the land of the Philistines,

although that was near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people

repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt: 13:18 But God led

the people about, through the way of the wilderness of the Red sea:

and the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

13:19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly

sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and

ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.

13:20 And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham,

in the edge of the wilderness.

13:21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to

lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them

light; to go by day and night: 13:22 He took not away the pillar of

the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the

people.

14:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 14:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pihahiroth,

between Migdol and the sea, over against Baalzephon: before it shall

ye encamp by the sea.

14:3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They are

entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in.

14:4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after

them; and I will be honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that

the Egyptians may know that I am the LORD. And they did so.

14:5 And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the

heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people,

and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from

serving us? 14:6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people

with him: 14:7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the

chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

14:8 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he

pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went

out with an high hand.

14:9 But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots

of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them

encamping by the sea, beside Pihahiroth, before Baalzephon.

14:10 And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up

their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they

were sore afraid: and the children of Israel cried out unto the LORD.

14:11 And they said unto Moses, Because there were no graves in Egypt,

hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou

dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt? 14:12 Is not this

the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we

may serve the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to serve the

Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.

14:13 And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and

see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: for

the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no

more for ever.

14:14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.

14:15 And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me?

speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward: 14:16 But

lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and

divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through

the midst of the sea.

14:17 And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and

they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and

upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

14:18 And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have

gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his

horsemen.

14:19 And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel,

removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from

before their face, and stood behind them: 14:20 And it came between

the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud

and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the

one came not near the other all the night.

14:21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD

caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and

made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

14:22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon

the dry ground: and the waters were a wall unto them on their right

hand, and on their left.

14:23 And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst

of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

14:24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked

unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the

cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians, 14:25 And took off

their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the

Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD

fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

14:26 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the

sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their

chariots, and upon their horsemen.

14:27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea

returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians

fled against it; and the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of

the sea.

14:28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the

horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after

them; there remained not so much as one of them.

14:29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of

the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and

on their left.

14:30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the

Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

14:31 And Israel saw that great work which the LORD did upon the

Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD, and

his servant Moses.

15:1 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the

LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath

triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the

sea.

15:2 The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation:

he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God,

and I will exalt him.

15:3 The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name.

15:4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his

chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

15:5 The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a

stone.

15:6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right

hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

15:7 And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown

them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, which

consumed them as stubble.

15:8 And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered

together, the floods stood upright as an heap, and the depths were

congealed in the heart of the sea.

15:9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the

spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my

hand shall destroy them.

15:10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank

as lead in the mighty waters.

15:11 Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who is like thee,

glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? 15:12 Thou

stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

15:13 Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast

redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy

habitation.

15:14 The people shall hear, and be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on

the inhabitants of Palestina.

15:15 Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab,

trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan

shall melt away.

15:16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of thine

arm they shall be as still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O

LORD, till the people pass over, which thou hast purchased.

15:17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of

thine inheritance, in the place, O LORD, which thou hast made for thee

to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O LORD, which thy hands have

established.

15:18 The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.

15:19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his

horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the

sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry land in the

midst of the sea.

15:20 And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel

in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and

with dances.

15:21 And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath

triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the

sea.

15:22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into

the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness,

and found no water.

15:23 And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters

of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called

Marah.

15:24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we

drink? 15:25 And he cried unto the LORD; and the LORD shewed him a

tree, which when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made

sweet: there he made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there he

proved them, 15:26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the

voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his

sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his

statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have

brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee.

15:27 And they came to Elim, where were twelve wells of water, and

threescore and ten palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters.

16:1 And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation

of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is

between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after

their departing out of the land of Egypt.

16:2 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured

against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness: 16:3 And the children of

Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the

LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we

did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this

wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

16:4 Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from

heaven for you; and the people shall go out and gather a certain rate

every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or

no.

16:5 And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall

prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as

they gather daily.

16:6 And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At

even, then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the

land of Egypt: 16:7 And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of

the LORD; for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD: and

what are we, that ye murmur against us? 16:8 And Moses said, This

shall be, when the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat,

and in the morning bread to the full; for that the LORD heareth your

murmurings which ye murmur against him: and what are we? your

murmurings are not against us, but against the LORD.

16:9 And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the

children of Israel, Come near before the LORD: for he hath heard your

murmurings.

16:10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation

of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness,

and, behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

16:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 16:12 I have heard the

murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At even

ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread;

and ye shall know that I am the LORD your God.

16:13 And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and

covered the camp: and in the morning the dew lay round about the host.

16:14 And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of

the wilderness there lay a small round thing, as small as the hoar

frost on the ground.

16:15 And when the children of Israel saw it, they said one to

another, It is manna: for they wist not what it was. And Moses said

unto them, This is the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat.

16:16 This is the thing which the LORD hath commanded, Gather of it

every man according to his eating, an omer for every man, according to

the number of your persons; take ye every man for them which are in

his tents.

16:17 And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some

less.

16:18 And when they did mete it with an omer, he that gathered much

had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack; they

gathered every man according to his eating.

16:19 And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning.

16:20 Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them

left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses

was wroth with them.

16:21 And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his

eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted.

16:22 And it came to pass, that on the sixth day they gathered twice

as much bread, two omers for one man: and all the rulers of the

congregation came and told Moses.

16:23 And he said unto them, This is that which the LORD hath said, To

morrow is the rest of the holy sabbath unto the LORD: bake that which

ye will bake to day, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which

remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning.

16:24 And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did

not stink, neither was there any worm therein.

16:25 And Moses said, Eat that to day; for to day is a sabbath unto

the LORD: to day ye shall not find it in the field.

16:26 Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, which is

the sabbath, in it there shall be none.

16:27 And it came to pass, that there went out some of the people on

the seventh day for to gather, and they found none.

16:28 And the LORD said unto Moses, How long refuse ye to keep my

commandments and my laws? 16:29 See, for that the LORD hath given you

the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two

days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place

on the seventh day.

16:30 So the people rested on the seventh day.

16:31 And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it

was like coriander seed, white; and the taste of it was like wafers

made with honey.

16:32 And Moses said, This is the thing which the LORD commandeth,

Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations; that they may see

the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought

you forth from the land of Egypt.

16:33 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of

manna therein, and lay it up before the LORD, to be kept for your

generations.

16:34 As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the

Testimony, to be kept.

16:35 And the children of Israel did eat manna forty years, until they

came to a land inhabited; they did eat manna, until they came unto the

borders of the land of Canaan.

16:36 Now an omer is the tenth part of an ephah.

17:1 And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from

the wilderness of Sin, after their journeys, according to the

commandment of the LORD, and pitched in Rephidim: and there was no

water for the people to drink.

17:2 Wherefore the people did chide with Moses, and said, Give us

water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, Why chide ye with

me? wherefore do ye tempt the LORD? 17:3 And the people thirsted

there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said,

Wherefore is this that thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill

us and our children and our cattle with thirst? 17:4 And Moses cried

unto the LORD, saying, What shall I do unto this people? they be

almost ready to stone me.

17:5 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go on before the people, and take

with thee of the elders of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest

the river, take in thine hand, and go.

17:6 Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb;

and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it,

that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders

of Israel.

17:7 And he called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, because

of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the

LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or not? 17:8 Then came Amalek,

and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

17:9 And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight

with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the

rod of God in mine hand.

17:10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek:

and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

17:11 And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel

prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

17:12 But Moses hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it

under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands,

the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his

hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

17:13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of

the sword.

17:14 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this for a memorial in a

book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put

out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.

17:15 And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it

Jehovahnissi: 17:16 For he said, Because the LORD hath sworn that the

LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.

18:1 When Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of

all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and that

the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt; 18:2 Then Jethro, Moses'

father in law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her back,

18:3 And her two sons; of which the name of the one was Gershom; for

he said, I have been an alien in a strange land: 18:4 And the name of

the other was Eliezer; for the God of my father, said he, was mine

help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh: 18:5 And Jethro,

Moses' father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into

the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God: 18:6 And he

said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy

wife, and her two sons with her.

18:7 And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance,

and kissed him; and they asked each other of their welfare; and they

came into the tent.

18:8 And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto

Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, and all the travail

that had come upon them by the way, and how the LORD delivered them.

18:9 And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the LORD had done

to Israel, whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

18:10 And Jethro said, Blessed be the LORD, who hath delivered you out

of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath

delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

18:11 Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: for in the

thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them.

18:12 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and

sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to

eat bread with Moses' father in law before God.

18:13 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the

people: and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the

evening.

18:14 And when Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the people,

he said, What is this thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest

thou thyself alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning unto

even? 18:15 And Moses said unto his father in law, Because the people

come unto me to enquire of God: 18:16 When they have a matter, they

come unto me; and I judge between one and another, and I do make them

know the statutes of God, and his laws.

18:17 And Moses' father in law said unto him, The thing that thou

doest is not good.

18:18 Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this people that is

with thee: for this thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to

perform it thyself alone.

18:19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God

shall be with thee: Be thou for the people to God-ward, that thou

mayest bring the causes unto God: 18:20 And thou shalt teach them

ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must

walk, and the work that they must do.

18:21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such

as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over

them, to be rulers of thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of

fifties, and rulers of tens: 18:22 And let them judge the people at

all seasons: and it shall be, that every great matter they shall bring

unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be

easier for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee.

18:23 If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou

shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their

place in peace.

18:24 So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did

all that he had said.

18:25 And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads

over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of

fifties, and rulers of tens.

18:26 And they judged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they

brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves.

18:27 And Moses let his father in law depart; and he went his way into

his own land.

19:1 In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth

out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness

of Sinai.

19:2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert

of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped

before the mount.

19:3 And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of

the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and

tell the children of Israel; 19:4 Ye have seen what I did unto the

Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto

myself.

19:5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my

covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all

people: for all the earth is mine: 19:6 And ye shall be unto me a

kingdom of priests, and an holy nation.

These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of

Israel.

19:7 And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid

before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

19:8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD

hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people

unto the LORD.

19:9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick

cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe

thee for ever.

And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD.

19:10 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify

them to day and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes, 19:11 And

be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come

down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

19:12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying,

Take heed to yourselves, that ye go not up into the mount, or touch

the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to

death: 19:13 There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be

stoned, or shot through; whether it be beast or man, it shall not

live: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount.

19:14 And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and

sanctified the people; and they washed their clothes.

19:15 And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day:

come not at your wives.

19:16 And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there

were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and

the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that

was in the camp trembled.

19:17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with

God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

19:18 And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD

descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke

of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly.

19:19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder

and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.

19:20 And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the

mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses

went up.

19:21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest

they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

19:22 And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify

themselves, lest the LORD break forth upon them.

19:23 And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount

Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and

sanctify it.

19:24 And the LORD said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt

come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the

people break through to come up unto the LORD, lest he break forth

upon them.

19:25 So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.

20:1 And God spake all these words, saying, 20:2 I am the LORD thy

God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the

house of bondage.

20:3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

20:4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness

of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath,

or that is in the water under the earth.

20:5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I

the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the

fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them

that hate me; 20:6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love

me, and keep my commandments.

20:7 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the

LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

20:8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

20:9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: 20:10 But the

seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not

do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor

thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy

gates: 20:11 For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea,

and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the

LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

20:12 Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon

the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

20:13 Thou shalt not kill.

20:14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.

20:15 Thou shalt not steal.

20:16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

20:17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet

thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his

ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

20:18 And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and

the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the

people saw it, they removed, and stood afar off.

20:19 And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear:

but let not God speak with us, lest we die.

20:20 And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to

prove you, and that his fear may be before your faces, that ye sin

not.

20:21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the

thick darkness where God was.

20:22 And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the

children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you from

heaven.

20:23 Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make

unto you gods of gold.

20:24 An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice

thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and

thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto

thee, and I will bless thee.

20:25 And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not build

it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast

polluted it.

20:26 Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy

nakedness be not discovered thereon.

21:1 Now these are the judgments which thou shalt set before them.

21:2 If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in

the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

21:3 If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were

married, then his wife shall go out with him.

21:4 If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons

or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he

shall go out by himself.

21:5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife,

and my children; I will not go out free: 21:6 Then his master shall

bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or

unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an

aul; and he shall serve him for ever.

21:7 And if a man sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not

go out as the menservants do.

21:8 If she please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself,

then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange nation

he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.

21:9 And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her

after the manner of daughters.

21:10 If he take him another wife; her food, her raiment, and her duty

of marriage, shall he not diminish.

21:11 And if he do not these three unto her, then shall she go out

free without money.

21:12 He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to

death.

21:13 And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver him into his hand;

then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.

21:14 But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him

with guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.

21:15 And he that smiteth his father, or his mother, shall be surely

put to death.

21:16 And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, or if he be found

in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

21:17 And he that curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be

put to death.

21:18 And if men strive together, and one smite another with a stone,

or with his fist, and he die not, but keepeth his bed: 21:19 If he

rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote

him be quit: only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall

cause him to be thoroughly healed.

21:20 And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he

die under his hand; he shall be surely punished.

21:21 Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be

punished: for he is his money.

21:22 If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit

depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely

punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he

shall pay as the judges determine.

21:23 And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life,

21:24 Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,

21:25 Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

21:26 And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his

maid, that it perish; he shall let him go free for his eye's sake.

21:27 And if he smite out his manservant's tooth, or his maidservant's

tooth; he shall let him go free for his tooth's sake.

21:28 If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall

be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of

the ox shall be quit.

21:29 But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and

it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but

that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his

owner also shall be put to death.

21:30 If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for

the ransom of his life whatsoever is laid upon him.

21:31 Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according

to this judgment shall it be done unto him.

21:32 If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall

give unto their master thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be

stoned.

21:33 And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and

not cover it, and an ox or an ass fall therein; 21:34 The owner of the

pit shall make it good, and give money unto the owner of them; and the

dead beast shall be his.

21:35 And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he die; then they shall

sell the live ox, and divide the money of it; and the dead ox also

they shall divide.

21:36 Or if it be known that the ox hath used to push in time past,

and his owner hath not kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and

the dead shall be his own.

22:1 If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it;

he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.

22:2 If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die,

there shall no blood be shed for him.

22:3 If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him;

for he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall

be sold for his theft.

22:4 If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be

ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall restore double.

22:5 If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall

put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's field; of the best

of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make

restitution.

22:6 If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of

corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed therewith; he

that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

22:7 If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep,

and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let

him pay double.

22:8 If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be

brought unto the judges, to see whether he have put his hand unto his

neighbour's goods.

22:9 For all manner of trespass, whether it be for ox, for ass, for

sheep, for raiment, or for any manner of lost thing which another

challengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall come before the

judges; and whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto

his neighbour.

22:10 If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a

sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven away,

no man seeing it: 22:11 Then shall an oath of the LORD be between them

both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and

the owner of it shall accept thereof, and he shall not make it good.

22:12 And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the

owner thereof.

22:13 If it be torn in pieces, then let him bring it for witness, and

he shall not make good that which was torn.

22:14 And if a man borrow ought of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or

die, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it

good.

22:15 But if the owner thereof be with it, he shall not make it good:

if it be an hired thing, it came for his hire.

22:16 And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with

her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

22:17 If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay

money according to the dowry of virgins.

22:18 Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live.

22:19 Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.

22:20 He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto the LORD only, he

shall be utterly destroyed.

22:21 Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were

strangers in the land of Egypt.

22:22 Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.

22:23 If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I

will surely hear their cry; 22:24 And my wrath shall wax hot, and I

will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your

children fatherless.

22:25 If thou lend money to any of my people that is poor by thee,

thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him

usury.

22:26 If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou

shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down: 22:27 For that

is his covering only, it is his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he

sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will

hear; for I am gracious.

22:28 Thou shalt not revile the gods, nor curse the ruler of thy

people.

22:29 Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and

of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.

22:30 Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, and with thy sheep:

seven days it shall be with his dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give

it me.

22:31 And ye shall be holy men unto me: neither shall ye eat any flesh

that is torn of beasts in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs.

23:1 Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the

wicked to be an unrighteous witness.

23:2 Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou

speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment: 23:3 Neither

shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.

23:4 If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt

surely bring it back to him again.

23:5 If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his

burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with

him.

23:6 Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.

23:7 Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous

slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked.

23:8 And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and

perverteth the words of the righteous.

23:9 Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the heart of

a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

23:10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the

fruits thereof: 23:11 But the seventh year thou shalt let it rest and

lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave

the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with

thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard.

23:12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou

shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy

handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.

23:13 And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect: and

make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out

of thy mouth.

23:14 Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

23:15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat

unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time

appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and

none shall appear before me empty:) 23:16 And the feast of harvest,

the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and

the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou

hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

23:17 Three items in the year all thy males shall appear before the

LORD God.

23:18 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened

bread; neither shall the fat of my sacrifice remain until the morning.

23:19 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into

the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his

mother's milk.

23:20 Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way,

and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.

23:21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will

not pardon your transgressions: for my name is in him.

23:22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I

speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary

unto thine adversaries.

23:23 For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the

Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites,

the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off.

23:24 Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do

after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite

break down their images.

23:25 And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy

bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of

thee.

23:26 There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy

land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.

23:27 I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people

to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their

backs unto thee.

23:28 And I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the

Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.

23:29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the

land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against

thee.

23:30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee,

until thou be increased, and inherit the land.

23:31 And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of

the Philistines, and from the desert unto the river: for I will

deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt

drive them out before thee.

23:32 Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.

23:33 They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin

against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare

unto thee.

24:1 And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron,

Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye

afar off.

24:2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come

nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.

24:3 And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and

all the judgments: and all the people answered with one voice, and

said, All the words which the LORD hath said will we do.

24:4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in

the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars,

according to the twelve tribes of Israel.

24:5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered

burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.

24:6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basons; and half

of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

24:7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of

the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and

be obedient.

24:8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and

said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with

you concerning all these words.

24:9 Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of

the elders of Israel: 24:10 And they saw the God of Israel: and there

was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as

it were the body of heaven in his clearness.

24:11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his

hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

24:12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and

be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and

commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.

24:13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up

into the mount of God.

24:14 And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come

again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man

have any matters to do, let him come unto them.

24:15 And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.

24:16 And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud

covered it six days: and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of

the midst of the cloud.

24:17 And the sight of the glory of the LORD was like devouring fire

on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.

24:18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into

the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

25:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 25:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that

giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.

25:3 And this is the offering which ye shall take of them; gold, and

silver, and brass, 25:4 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine

linen, and goats' hair, 25:5 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers'

skins, and shittim wood, 25:6 Oil for the light, spices for anointing

oil, and for sweet incense, 25:7 Onyx stones, and stones to be set in

the ephod, and in the breastplate.

25:8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.

25:9 According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the

tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so

shall ye make it.

25:10 And they shall make an ark of shittim wood: two cubits and a

half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth

thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.

25:11 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without

shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round

about.

25:12 And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in

the four corners thereof; and two rings shall be in the one side of

it, and two rings in the other side of it.

25:13 And thou shalt make staves of shittim wood, and overlay them

with gold.

25:14 And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the

ark, that the ark may be borne with them.

25:15 The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be

taken from it.

25:16 And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give

thee.

25:17 And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a

half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth

thereof.

25:18 And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt

thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat.

25:19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the

other end: even of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the

two ends thereof.

25:20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high,

covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces shall look

one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims

be.

25:21 And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the

ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.

25:22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee

from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which are

upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in

commandment unto the children of Israel.

25:23 Thou shalt also make a table of shittim wood: two cubits shall

be the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit

and a half the height thereof.

25:24 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a

crown of gold round about.

25:25 And thou shalt make unto it a border of an hand breadth round

about, and thou shalt make a golden crown to the border thereof round

about.

25:26 And thou shalt make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings

in the four corners that are on the four feet thereof.

25:27 Over against the border shall the rings be for places of the

staves to bear the table.

25:28 And thou shalt make the staves of shittim wood, and overlay them

with gold, that the table may be borne with them.

25:29 And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and

covers thereof, and bowls thereof, to cover withal: of pure gold shalt

thou make them.

25:30 And thou shalt set upon the table shewbread before me alway.

25:31 And thou shalt make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work

shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls,

his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

25:32 And six branches shall come out of the sides of it; three

branches of the candlestick out of the one side, and three branches of

the candlestick out of the other side: 25:33 Three bowls made like

unto almonds, with a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls

made like almonds in the other branch, with a knop and a flower: so in

the six branches that come out of the candlestick.

25:34 And in the candlesticks shall be four bowls made like unto

almonds, with their knops and their flowers.

25:35 And there shall be a knop under two branches of the same, and a

knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of

the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the

candlestick.

25:36 Their knops and their branches shall be of the same: all it

shall be one beaten work of pure gold.

25:37 And thou shalt make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall

light the lamps thereof, that they may give light over against it.

25:38 And the tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, shall be of

pure gold.

25:39 Of a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these

vessels.

25:40 And look that thou make them after their pattern, which was

shewed thee in the mount.

26:1 Moreover thou shalt make the tabernacle with ten curtains of fine

twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims of

cunning work shalt thou make them.

26:2 The length of one curtain shall be eight and twenty cubits, and

the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and every one of the curtains

shall have one measure.

26:3 The five curtains shall be coupled together one to another; and

other five curtains shall be coupled one to another.

26:4 And thou shalt make loops of blue upon the edge of the one

curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou

make in the uttermost edge of another curtain, in the coupling of the

second.

26:5 Fifty loops shalt thou make in the one curtain, and fifty loops

shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that is in the coupling of

the second; that the loops may take hold one of another.

26:6 And thou shalt make fifty taches of gold, and couple the curtains

together with the taches: and it shall be one tabernacle.

26:7 And thou shalt make curtains of goats' hair to be a covering upon

the tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou make.

26:8 The length of one curtain shall be thirty cubits, and the breadth

of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains shall be all of

one measure.

26:9 And thou shalt couple five curtains by themselves, and six

curtains by themselves, and shalt double the sixth curtain in the

forefront of the tabernacle.

26:10 And thou shalt make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain

that is outmost in the coupling, and fifty loops in the edge of the

curtain which coupleth the second.

26:11 And thou shalt make fifty taches of brass, and put the taches

into the loops, and couple the tent together, that it may be one.

26:12 And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the

half curtain that remaineth, shall hang over the backside of the

tabernacle.

26:13 And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side of

that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the tent, it

shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that

side, to cover it.

26:14 And thou shalt make a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed

red, and a covering above of badgers' skins.

26:15 And thou shalt make boards for the tabernacle of shittim wood

standing up.

26:16 Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a

half shall be the breadth of one board.

26:17 Two tenons shall there be in one board, set in order one against

another: thus shalt thou make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

26:18 And thou shalt make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards

on the south side southward.

26:19 And thou shalt make forty sockets of silver under the twenty

boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two

sockets under another board for his two tenons.

26:20 And for the second side of the tabernacle on the north side

there shall be twenty boards: 26:21 And their forty sockets of silver;

two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

26:22 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward thou shalt make six

boards.

26:23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle

in the two sides.

26:24 And they shall be coupled together beneath, and they shall be

coupled together above the head of it unto one ring: thus shall it be

for them both; they shall be for the two corners.

26:25 And they shall be eight boards, and their sockets of silver,

sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under

another board.

26:26 And thou shalt make bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of

the one side of the tabernacle, 26:27 And five bars for the boards of

the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the

side of the tabernacle, for the two sides westward.

26:28 And the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall reach from

end to end.

26:29 And thou shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make their

rings of gold for places for the bars: and thou shalt overlay the bars

with gold.

26:30 And thou shalt rear up the tabernacle according to the fashion

thereof which was shewed thee in the mount.

26:31 And thou shalt make a vail of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and

fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubims shall it be made:

26:32 And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim wood

overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four

sockets of silver.

26:33 And thou shalt hang up the vail under the taches, that thou

mayest bring in thither within the vail the ark of the testimony: and

the vail shall divide unto you between the holy place and the most

holy.

26:34 And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony

in the most holy place.

26:35 And thou shalt set the table without the vail, and the

candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle

toward the south: and thou shalt put the table on the north side.

26:36 And thou shalt make an hanging for the door of the tent, of

blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with

needlework.

26:37 And thou shalt make for the hanging five pillars of shittim

wood, and overlay them with gold, and their hooks shall be of gold:

and thou shalt cast five sockets of brass for them.

27:1 And thou shalt make an altar of shittim wood, five cubits long,

and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height

thereof shall be three cubits.

27:2 And thou shalt make the horns of it upon the four corners

thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and thou shalt overlay it

with brass.

27:3 And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his

shovels, and his basons, and his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the

vessels thereof thou shalt make of brass.

27:4 And thou shalt make for it a grate of network of brass; and upon

the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof.

27:5 And thou shalt put it under the compass of the altar beneath,

that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.

27:6 And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves of shittim wood,

and overlay them with brass.

27:7 And the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall

be upon the two sides of the altar, to bear it.

27:8 Hollow with boards shalt thou make it: as it was shewed thee in

the mount, so shall they make it.

27:9 And thou shalt make the court of the tabernacle: for the south

side southward there shall be hangings for the court of fine twined

linen of an hundred cubits long for one side: 27:10 And the twenty

pillars thereof and their twenty sockets shall be of brass; the hooks

of the pillars and their fillets shall be of silver.

27:11 And likewise for the north side in length there shall be

hangings of an hundred cubits long, and his twenty pillars and their

twenty sockets of brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of

silver.

27:12 And for the breadth of the court on the west side shall be

hangings of fifty cubits: their pillars ten, and their sockets ten.

27:13 And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward shall be

fifty cubits.

27:14 The hangings of one side of the gate shall be fifteen cubits:

their pillars three, and their sockets three.

27:15 And on the other side shall be hangings fifteen cubits: their

pillars three, and their sockets three.

27:16 And for the gate of the court shall be an hanging of twenty

cubits, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen,

wrought with needlework: and their pillars shall be four, and their

sockets four.

27:17 All the pillars round about the court shall be filleted with

silver; their hooks shall be of silver, and their sockets of brass.

27:18 The length of the court shall be an hundred cubits, and the

breadth fifty every where, and the height five cubits of fine twined

linen, and their sockets of brass.

27:19 All the vessels of the tabernacle in all the service thereof,

and all the pins thereof, and all the pins of the court, shall be of

brass.

27:20 And thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring

thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn

always.

27:21 In the tabernacle of the congregation without the vail, which is

before the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening

to morning before the LORD: it shall be a statute for ever unto their

generations on the behalf of the children of Israel.

28:1 And take thou unto thee Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him,

from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the

priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar,

Aaron's sons.

28:2 And thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron thy brother for glory

and for beauty.

28:3 And thou shalt speak unto all that are wise hearted, whom I have

filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments

to consecrate him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's

office.

28:4 And these are the garments which they shall make; a breastplate,

and an ephod, and a robe, and a broidered coat, a mitre, and a girdle:

and they shall make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, and his sons,

that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

28:5 And they shall take gold, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and

fine linen.

28:6 And they shall make the ephod of gold, of blue, and of purple, of

scarlet, and fine twined linen, with cunning work.

28:7 It shall have the two shoulderpieces thereof joined at the two

edges thereof; and so it shall be joined together.

28:8 And the curious girdle of the ephod, which is upon it, shall be

of the same, according to the work thereof; even of gold, of blue, and

purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

28:9 And thou shalt take two onyx stones, and grave on them the names

of the children of Israel: 28:10 Six of their names on one stone, and

the other six names of the rest on the other stone, according to their

birth.

28:11 With the work of an engraver in stone, like the engravings of a

signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones with the names of the

children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be set in ouches of gold.

28:12 And thou shalt put the two stones upon the shoulders of the

ephod for stones of memorial unto the children of Israel: and Aaron

shall bear their names before the LORD upon his two shoulders for a

memorial.

28:13 And thou shalt make ouches of gold; 28:14 And two chains of pure

gold at the ends; of wreathen work shalt thou make them, and fasten

the wreathen chains to the ouches.

28:15 And thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning

work; after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it; of gold, of

blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt

thou make it.

28:16 Foursquare it shall be being doubled; a span shall be the length

thereof, and a span shall be the breadth thereof.

28:17 And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, even four rows of

stones: the first row shall be a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle:

this shall be the first row.

28:18 And the second row shall be an emerald, a sapphire, and a

diamond.

28:19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.

28:20 And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they

shall be set in gold in their inclosings.

28:21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of

Israel, twelve, according to their names, like the engravings of a

signet; every one with his name shall they be according to the twelve

tribes.

28:22 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate chains at the ends of

wreathen work of pure gold.

28:23 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and

shalt put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate.

28:24 And thou shalt put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two

rings which are on the ends of the breastplate.

28:25 And the other two ends of the two wreathen chains thou shalt

fasten in the two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the

ephod before it.

28:26 And thou shalt make two rings of gold, and thou shalt put them

upon the two ends of the breastplate in the border thereof, which is

in the side of the ephod inward.

28:27 And two other rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them

on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart thereof,

over against the other coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of

the ephod.

28:28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof unto

the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it may be above the

curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed

from the ephod.

28:29 And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the

breastplate of judgment upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy

place, for a memorial before the LORD continually.

28:30 And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and

the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in

before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of

Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.

28:31 And thou shalt make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

28:32 And there shall be an hole in the top of it, in the midst

thereof: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of

it, as it were the hole of an habergeon, that it be not rent.

28:33 And beneath upon the hem of it thou shalt make pomegranates of

blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, round about the hem thereof; and

bells of gold between them round about: 28:34 A golden bell and a

pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe

round about.

28:35 And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and his sound shall be

heard when he goeth in unto the holy place before the LORD, and when

he cometh out, that he die not.

28:36 And thou shalt make a plate of pure gold, and grave upon it,

like the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

28:37 And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon the

mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be.

28:38 And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, that Aaron may bear the

iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow

in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead,

that they may be accepted before the LORD.

28:39 And thou shalt embroider the coat of fine linen, and thou shalt

make the mitre of fine linen, and thou shalt make the girdle of

needlework.

28:40 And for Aaron's sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make

for them girdles, and bonnets shalt thou make for them, for glory and

for beauty.

28:41 And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and his sons

with him; and shalt anoint them, and consecrate them, and sanctify

them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office.

28:42 And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their

nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach: 28:43

And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they come in

unto the tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come near unto

the altar to minister in the holy place; that they bear not iniquity,

and die: it shall be a statute for ever unto him and his seed after

him.

29:1 And this is the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow

them, to minister unto me in the priest's office: Take one young

bullock, and two rams without blemish, 29:2 And unleavened bread, and

cakes unleavened tempered with oil, and wafers unleavened anointed

with oil: of wheaten flour shalt thou make them.

29:3 And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the

basket, with the bullock and the two rams.

29:4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation, and shalt wash them with water.

29:5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat,

and the robe of the ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and

gird him with the curious girdle of the ephod: 29:6 And thou shalt put

the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre.

29:7 Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour it upon his

head, and anoint him.

29:8 And thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them.

29:9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and

put the bonnets on them: and the priest's office shall be theirs for a

perpetual statute: and thou shalt consecrate Aaron and his sons.

29:10 And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the

tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron and his sons shall put their

hands upon the head of the bullock.

29:11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, by the door of

the tabernacle of the congregation.

29:12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put it upon

the horns of the altar with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside

the bottom of the altar.

29:13 And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and

the caul that is above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat

that is upon them, and burn them upon the altar.

29:14 But the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt

thou burn with fire without the camp: it is a sin offering.

29:15 Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put

their hands upon the head of the ram.

29:16 And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take his blood, and

sprinkle it round about upon the altar.

29:17 And thou shalt cut the ram in pieces, and wash the inwards of

him, and his legs, and put them unto his pieces, and unto his head.

29:18 And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the altar: it is a burnt

offering unto the LORD: it is a sweet savour, an offering made by fire

unto the LORD.

29:19 And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall

put their hands upon the head of the ram.

29:20 Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of his blood, and put it

upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron, and upon the tip of the right

ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the

great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar

round about.

29:21 And thou shalt take of the blood that is upon the altar, and of

the anointing oil, and sprinkle it upon Aaron, and upon his garments,

and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and he

shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons'

garments with him.

29:22 Also thou shalt take of the ram the fat and the rump, and the

fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the

two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, and the right shoulder;

for it is a ram of consecration: 29:23 And one loaf of bread, and one

cake of oiled bread, and one wafer out of the basket of the unleavened

bread that is before the LORD: 29:24 And thou shalt put all in the

hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shalt wave them for

a wave offering before the LORD.

29:25 And thou shalt receive them of their hands, and burn them upon

the altar for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour before the LORD: it

is an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

29:26 And thou shalt take the breast of the ram of Aaron's

consecration, and wave it for a wave offering before the LORD: and it

shall be thy part.

29:27 And thou shalt sanctify the breast of the wave offering, and the

shoulder of the heave offering, which is waved, and which is heaved

up, of the ram of the consecration, even of that which is for Aaron,

and of that which is for his sons: 29:28 And it shall be Aaron's and

his sons' by a statute for ever from the children of Israel: for it is

an heave offering: and it shall be an heave offering from the children

of Israel of the sacrifice of their peace offerings, even their heave

offering unto the LORD.

29:29 And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to

be anointed therein, and to be consecrated in them.

29:30 And that son that is priest in his stead shall put them on seven

days, when he cometh into the tabernacle of the congregation to

minister in the holy place.

29:31 And thou shalt take the ram of the consecration, and seethe his

flesh in the holy place.

29:32 And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram, and the

bread that is in the basket by the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation.

29:33 And they shall eat those things wherewith the atonement was

made, to consecrate and to sanctify them: but a stranger shall not eat

thereof, because they are holy.

29:34 And if ought of the flesh of the consecrations, or of the bread,

remain unto the morning, then thou shalt burn the remainder with fire:

it shall not be eaten, because it is holy.

29:35 And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to

all things which I have commanded thee: seven days shalt thou

consecrate them.

29:36 And thou shalt offer every day a bullock for a sin offering for

atonement: and thou shalt cleanse the altar, when thou hast made an

atonement for it, and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it.

29:37 Seven days thou shalt make an atonement for the altar, and

sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most holy: whatsoever toucheth

the altar shall be holy.

29:38 Now this is that which thou shalt offer upon the altar; two

lambs of the first year day by day continually.

29:39 The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning; and the other lamb

thou shalt offer at even: 29:40 And with the one lamb a tenth deal of

flour mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten oil; and the

fourth part of an hin of wine for a drink offering.

29:41 And the other lamb thou shalt offer at even, and shalt do

thereto according to the meat offering of the morning, and according

to the drink offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an offering made by

fire unto the LORD.

29:42 This shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your

generations at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before

the LORD: where I will meet you, to speak there unto thee.

29:43 And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the

tabernacle shall be sanctified by my glory.

29:44 And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the

altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me

in the priest's office.

29:45 And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their

God.

29:46 And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, that brought

them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I am

the LORD their God.

30:1 And thou shalt make an altar to burn incense upon: of shittim

wood shalt thou make it.

30:2 A cubit shall be the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth

thereof; foursquare shall it be: and two cubits shall be the height

thereof: the horns thereof shall be of the same.

30:3 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the top thereof, and

the sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt

make unto it a crown of gold round about.

30:4 And two golden rings shalt thou make to it under the crown of it,

by the two corners thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make

it; and they shall be for places for the staves to bear it withal.

30:5 And thou shalt make the staves of shittim wood, and overlay them

with gold.

30:6 And thou shalt put it before the vail that is by the ark of the

testimony, before the mercy seat that is over the testimony, where I

will meet with thee.

30:7 And Aaron shall burn thereon sweet incense every morning: when he

dresseth the lamps, he shall burn incense upon it.

30:8 And when Aaron lighteth the lamps at even, he shall burn incense

upon it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your

generations.

30:9 Ye shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice,

nor meat offering; neither shall ye pour drink offering thereon.

30:10 And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a

year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the

year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it

is most holy unto the LORD.

30:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 30:12 When thou takest

the sum of the children of Israel after their number, then shall they

give every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when thou

numberest them; that there be no plague among them, when thou

numberest them.

30:13 This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are

numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel

is twenty gerahs:) an half shekel shall be the offering of the LORD.

30:14 Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty

years old and above, shall give an offering unto the LORD.

30:15 The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less

than half a shekel, when they give an offering unto the LORD, to make

an atonement for your souls.

30:16 And thou shalt take the atonement money of the children of

Israel, and shalt appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the

congregation; that it may be a memorial unto the children of Israel

before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

30:17 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 30:18 Thou shalt also

make a laver of brass, and his foot also of brass, to wash withal: and

thou shalt put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the

altar, and thou shalt put water therein.

30:19 For Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet

thereat: 30:20 When they go into the tabernacle of the congregation,

they shall wash with water, that they die not; or when they come near

to the altar to minister, to burn offering made by fire unto the LORD:

30:21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die

not: and it shall be a statute for ever to them, even to him and to

his seed throughout their generations.

30:22 Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 30:23 Take thou also

unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred shekels, and of

sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and

of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels, 30:24 And of cassia

five hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil

olive an hin: 30:25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an

ointment compound after the art of the apothecary: it shall be an holy

anointing oil.

30:26 And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle of the congregation

therewith, and the ark of the testimony, 30:27 And the table and all

his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of

incense, 30:28 And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels,

and the laver and his foot.

30:29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy:

whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.

30:30 And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them,

that they may minister unto me in the priest's office.

30:31 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This

shall be an holy anointing oil unto me throughout your generations.

30:32 Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make

any other like it, after the composition of it: it is holy, and it

shall be holy unto you.

30:33 Whosoever compoundeth any like it, or whosoever putteth any of

it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people.

30:34 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices,

stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; these sweet spices with pure

frankincense: of each shall there be a like weight: 30:35 And thou

shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary,

tempered together, pure and holy: 30:36 And thou shalt beat some of it

very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tabernacle of

the congregation, where I will meet with thee: it shall be unto you

most holy.

30:37 And as for the perfume which thou shalt make, ye shall not make

to yourselves according to the composition thereof: it shall be unto

thee holy for the LORD.

30:38 Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, shall

even be cut off from his people.

31:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 31:2 See, I have called by

name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:

31:3 And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in

understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,

31:4 To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in

brass, 31:5 And in cutting of stones, to set them, and in carving of

timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.

31:6 And I, behold, I have given with him Aholiab, the son of

Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise

hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have

commanded thee; 31:7 The tabernacle of the congregation, and the ark

of the testimony, and the mercy seat that is thereupon, and all the

furniture of the tabernacle, 31:8 And the table and his furniture, and

the pure candlestick with all his furniture, and the altar of incense,

31:9 And the altar of burnt offering with all his furniture, and the

laver and his foot, 31:10 And the cloths of service, and the holy

garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to

minister in the priest's office, 31:11 And the anointing oil, and

sweet incense for the holy place: according to all that I have

commanded thee shall they do.

31:12 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 31:13 Speak thou also

unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep:

for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that

ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you.

31:14 Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you:

every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever

doeth any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his

people.

31:15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of

rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day,

he shall surely be put to death.

31:16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to

observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual

covenant.

31:17 It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for

in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he

rested, and was refreshed.

31:18 And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing

with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone,

written with the finger of God.

32:1 And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of

the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and

said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for

this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we

wot not what is become of him.

32:2 And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which

are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters,

and bring them unto me.

32:3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which were in

their ears, and brought them unto Aaron.

32:4 And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a

graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, These

be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

32:5 And when Aaron saw it, he built an altar before it; and Aaron

made proclamation, and said, To morrow is a feast to the LORD.

32:6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt

offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat

and to drink, and rose up to play.

32:7 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people,

which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted

themselves: 32:8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I

commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped

it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods, O

Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

32:9 And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and,

behold, it is a stiffnecked people: 32:10 Now therefore let me alone,

that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them:

and I will make of thee a great nation.

32:11 And Moses besought the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why doth

thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth

out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

32:12 Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did

he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them

from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of

this evil against thy people.

32:13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou

swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your

seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of

will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever.

32:14 And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto

his people.

32:15 And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two

tables of the testimony were in his hand: the tables were written on

both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written.

32:16 And the tables were the work of God, and the writing was the

writing of God, graven upon the tables.

32:17 And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted,

he said unto Moses, There is a noise of war in the camp.

32:18 And he said, It is not the voice of them that shout for mastery,

neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome: but the

noise of them that sing do I hear.

32:19 And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that

he saw the calf, and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he

cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount.

32:20 And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt it in the

fire, and ground it to powder, and strawed it upon the water, and made

the children of Israel drink of it.

32:21 And Moses said unto Aaron, What did this people unto thee, that

thou hast brought so great a sin upon them? 32:22 And Aaron said, Let

not the anger of my lord wax hot: thou knowest the people, that they

are set on mischief.

32:23 For they said unto me, Make us gods, which shall go before us:

for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of

Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

32:24 And I said unto them, Whosoever hath any gold, let them break it

off. So they gave it me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came

out this calf.

32:25 And when Moses saw that the people were naked; (for Aaron had

made them naked unto their shame among their enemies:) 32:26 Then

Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on the LORD's

side? let him come unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered

themselves together unto him.

32:27 And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Put

every man his sword by his side, and go in and out from gate to gate

throughout the camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his

companion, and every man his neighbour.

32:28 And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and

there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

32:29 For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves today to the LORD,

even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow

upon you a blessing this day.

32:30 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the

people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the

LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin.

32:31 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have

sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold.

32:32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me,

I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written.

32:33 And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me,

him will I blot out of my book.

32:34 Therefore now go, lead the people unto the place of which I have

spoken unto thee: behold, mine Angel shall go before thee:

nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them.

32:35 And the LORD plagued the people, because they made the calf,

which Aaron made.

33:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Depart, and go up hence, thou and

the people which thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto

the land which I sware unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying,

Unto thy seed will I give it: 33:2 And I will send an angel before

thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the

Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite: 33:3 Unto a

land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of

thee; for thou art a stiffnecked people: lest I consume thee in the

way.

33:4 And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and

no man did put on him his ornaments.

33:5 For the LORD had said unto Moses, Say unto the children of

Israel, Ye are a stiffnecked people: I will come up into the midst of

thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy

ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do unto thee.

33:6 And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments

by the mount Horeb.

33:7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp,

afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the

congregation. And it came to pass, that every one which sought the

LORD went out unto the tabernacle of the congregation, which was

without the camp.

33:8 And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the tabernacle,

that all the people rose up, and stood every man at his tent door, and

looked after Moses, until he was gone into the tabernacle.

33:9 And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the

cloudy pillar descended, and stood at the door of the tabernacle, and

the Lord talked with Moses.

33:10 And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand at the tabernacle

door: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man in his tent

door.

33:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh

unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant

Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the

tabernacle.

33:12 And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up

this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with

me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found

grace in my sight.

33:13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight,

shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in

thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.

33:14 And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give

thee rest.

33:15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us

not up hence.

33:16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have

found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? so

shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are

upon the face of the earth.

33:17 And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that

thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know

thee by name.

33:18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

33:19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I

will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious

to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew

mercy.

33:20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man

see me, and live.

33:21 And the LORD said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou

shalt stand upon a rock: 33:22 And it shall come to pass, while my

glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and

will cover thee with my hand while I pass by: 33:23 And I will take

away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall

not be seen.

34:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like

unto the first: and I will write upon these tables the words that were

in the first tables, which thou brakest.

34:2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto

mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me in the top of the mount.

34:3 And no man shall come up with thee, neither let any man be seen

throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before

that mount.

34:4 And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses

rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the

LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

34:5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there,

and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

34:6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The

LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in

goodness and truth, 34:7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving

iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear

the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children,

and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth

generation.

34:8 And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and

worshipped.

34:9 And he said, If now I have found grace in thy sight, O LORD, let

my LORD, I pray thee, go among us; for it is a stiffnecked people; and

pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance.

34:10 And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I

will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in

any nation: and all the people among which thou art shall see the work

of the LORD: for it is a terrible thing that I will do with thee.

34:11 Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive

out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and

the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

34:12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the

inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in

the midst of thee: 34:13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break

their images, and cut down their groves: 34:14 For thou shalt worship

no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:

34:15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and

they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods,

and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice; 34:16 And thou take

of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring

after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.

34:17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.

34:18 The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou

shalt eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the

month Abib: for in the month Abib thou camest out from Egypt.

34:19 All that openeth the matrix is mine; and every firstling among

thy cattle, whether ox or sheep, that is male.

34:20 But the firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb: and

if thou redeem him not, then shalt thou break his neck. All the

firstborn of thy sons thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear before

me empty.

34:21 Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt

rest: in earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest.

34:22 And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of

wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.

34:23 Thrice in the year shall all your menchildren appear before the

LORD God, the God of Israel.

34:24 For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy

borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up

to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year.

34:25 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven;

neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto

the morning.

34:26 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto

the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his

mother's milk.

34:27 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after

the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with

Israel.

34:28 And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he

did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables

the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.

34:29 And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with

the two tables of testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the

mount, that Moses wist not that the skin of his face shone while he

talked with him.

34:30 And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold,

the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come nigh him.

34:31 And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the

congregation returned unto him: and Moses talked with them.

34:32 And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh: and he gave

them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in mount

Sinai.

34:33 And till Moses had done speaking with them, he put a vail on his

face.

34:34 But when Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he

took the vail off, until he came out. And he came out, and spake unto

the children of Israel that which he was commanded.

34:35 And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin

of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the vail upon his face again,

until he went in to speak with him.

35:1 And Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel

together, and said unto them, These are the words which the LORD hath

commanded, that ye should do them.

35:2 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall

be to you an holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth

work therein shall be put to death.

35:3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the

sabbath day.

35:4 And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of

Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

35:5 Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever is of

a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD; gold, and

silver, and brass, 35:6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine

linen, and goats' hair, 35:7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers'

skins, and shittim wood, 35:8 And oil for the light, and spices for

anointing oil, and for the sweet incense, 35:9 And onyx stones, and

stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.

35:10 And every wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that

the LORD hath commanded; 35:11 The tabernacle, his tent, and his

covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his

sockets, 35:12 The ark, and the staves thereof, with the mercy seat,

and the vail of the covering, 35:13 The table, and his staves, and all

his vessels, and the shewbread, 35:14 The candlestick also for the

light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,

35:15 And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil,

and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in

of the tabernacle, 35:16 The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen

grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot, 35:17

The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the

hanging for the door of the court, 35:18 The pins of the tabernacle,

and the pins of the court, and their cords, 35:19 The cloths of

service, to do service in the holy place, the holy garments for Aaron

the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's

office.

35:20 And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from

the presence of Moses.

35:21 And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every

one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the LORD's offering

to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his

service, and for the holy garments.

35:22 And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing

hearted, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets,

all jewels of gold: and every man that offered offered an offering of

gold unto the LORD.

35:23 And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and

scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, and red skins of rams, and

badgers' skins, brought them.

35:24 Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought

the LORD's offering: and every man, with whom was found shittim wood

for any work of the service, brought it.

35:25 And all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their

hands, and brought that which they had spun, both of blue, and of

purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen.

35:26 And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun

goats' hair.

35:27 And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for

the ephod, and for the breastplate; 35:28 And spice, and oil for the

light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

35:29 The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD,

every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all

manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of

Moses.

35:30 And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the LORD hath

called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe

of Judah; 35:31 And he hath filled him with the spirit of God, in

wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of

workmanship; 35:32 And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and

in silver, and in brass, 35:33 And in the cutting of stones, to set

them, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of cunning work.

35:34 And he hath put in his heart that he may teach, both he, and

Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

35:35 Them hath he filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of

work, of the engraver, and of the cunning workman, and of the

embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen,

and of the weaver, even of them that do any work, and of those that

devise cunning work.

36:1 Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in

whom the LORD put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all

manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that

the LORD had commanded.

36:2 And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted

man, in whose heart the LORD had put wisdom, even every one whose

heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it: 36:3 And they

received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had

brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it

withal. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every morning.

36:4 And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary,

came every man from his work which they made; 36:5 And they spake unto

Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service

of the work, which the LORD commanded to make.

36:6 And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed

throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more

work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained

from bringing.

36:7 For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make

it, and too much.

36:8 And every wise hearted man among them that wrought the work of

the tabernacle made ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and

purple, and scarlet: with cherubims of cunning work made he them.

36:9 The length of one curtain was twenty and eight cubits, and the

breadth of one curtain four cubits: the curtains were all of one size.

36:10 And he coupled the five curtains one unto another: and the other

five curtains he coupled one unto another.

36:11 And he made loops of blue on the edge of one curtain from the

selvedge in the coupling: likewise he made in the uttermost side of

another curtain, in the coupling of the second.

36:12 Fifty loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in

the edge of the curtain which was in the coupling of the second: the

loops held one curtain to another.

36:13 And he made fifty taches of gold, and coupled the curtains one

unto another with the taches: so it became one tabernacle.

36:14 And he made curtains of goats' hair for the tent over the

tabernacle: eleven curtains he made them.

36:15 The length of one curtain was thirty cubits, and four cubits was

the breadth of one curtain: the eleven curtains were of one size.

36:16 And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by

themselves.

36:17 And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain

in the coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain

which coupleth the second.

36:18 And he made fifty taches of brass to couple the tent together,

that it might be one.

36:19 And he made a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and

a covering of badgers' skins above that.

36:20 And he made boards for the tabernacle of shittim wood, standing

up.

36:21 The length of a board was ten cubits, and the breadth of a board

one cubit and a half.

36:22 One board had two tenons, equally distant one from another: thus

did he make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

36:23 And he made boards for the tabernacle; twenty boards for the

south side southward: 36:24 And forty sockets of silver he made under

the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and

two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

36:25 And for the other side of the tabernacle, which is toward the

north corner, he made twenty boards, 36:26 And their forty sockets of

silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another

board.

36:27 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward he made six boards.

36:28 And two boards made he for the corners of the tabernacle in the

two sides.

36:29 And they were coupled beneath, and coupled together at the head

thereof, to one ring: thus he did to both of them in both the corners.

36:30 And there were eight boards; and their sockets were sixteen

sockets of silver, under every board two sockets.

36:31 And he made bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of the one

side of the tabernacle, 36:32 And five bars for the boards of the

other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the

tabernacle for the sides westward.

36:33 And he made the middle bar to shoot through the boards from the

one end to the other.

36:34 And he overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings of

gold to be places for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold.

36:35 And he made a vail of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine

twined linen: with cherubims made he it of cunning work.

36:36 And he made thereunto four pillars of shittim wood, and overlaid

them with gold: their hooks were of gold; and he cast for them four

sockets of silver.

36:37 And he made an hanging for the tabernacle door of blue, and

purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, of needlework; 36:38 And

the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their

chapiters and their fillets with gold: but their five sockets were of

brass.

37:1 And Bezaleel made the ark of shittim wood: two cubits and a half

was the length of it, and a cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a

cubit and a half the height of it: 37:2 And he overlaid it with pure

gold within and without, and made a crown of gold to it round about.

37:3 And he cast for it four rings of gold, to be set by the four

corners of it; even two rings upon the one side of it, and two rings

upon the other side of it.

37:4 And he made staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.

37:5 And he put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, to

bear the ark.

37:6 And he made the mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half

was the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

37:7 And he made two cherubims of gold, beaten out of one piece made

he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat; 37:8 One cherub on the end

on this side, and another cherub on the other end on that side: out of

the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

37:9 And the cherubims spread out their wings on high, and covered

with their wings over the mercy seat, with their faces one to another;

even to the mercy seatward were the faces of the cherubims.

37:10 And he made the table of shittim wood: two cubits was the length

thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the

height thereof: 37:11 And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made

thereunto a crown of gold round about.

37:12 Also he made thereunto a border of an handbreadth round about;

and made a crown of gold for the border thereof round about.

37:13 And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon

the four corners that were in the four feet thereof.

37:14 Over against the border were the rings, the places for the

staves to bear the table.

37:15 And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with

gold, to bear the table.

37:16 And he made the vessels which were upon the table, his dishes,

and his spoons, and his bowls, and his covers to cover withal, of pure

gold.

37:17 And he made the candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work made he

the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and

his flowers, were of the same: 37:18 And six branches going out of the

sides thereof; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side

thereof, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side

thereof: 37:19 Three bowls made after the fashion of almonds in one

branch, a knop and a flower; and three bowls made like almonds in

another branch, a knop and a flower: so throughout the six branches

going out of the candlestick.

37:20 And in the candlestick were four bowls made like almonds, his

knops, and his flowers: 37:21 And a knop under two branches of the

same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two

branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it.

37:22 Their knops and their branches were of the same: all of it was

one beaten work of pure gold.

37:23 And he made his seven lamps, and his snuffers, and his

snuffdishes, of pure gold.

37:24 Of a talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels

thereof.

37:25 And he made the incense altar of shittim wood: the length of it

was a cubit, and the breadth of it a cubit; it was foursquare; and two

cubits was the height of it; the horns thereof were of the same.

37:26 And he overlaid it with pure gold, both the top of it, and the

sides thereof round about, and the horns of it: also he made unto it a

crown of gold round about.

37:27 And he made two rings of gold for it under the crown thereof, by

the two corners of it, upon the two sides thereof, to be places for

the staves to bear it withal.

37:28 And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with

gold.

37:29 And he made the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of

sweet spices, according to the work of the apothecary.

38:1 And he made the altar of burnt offering of shittim wood: five

cubits was the length thereof, and five cubits the breadth thereof; it

was foursquare; and three cubits the height thereof.

38:2 And he made the horns thereof on the four corners of it; the

horns thereof were of the same: and he overlaid it with brass.

38:3 And he made all the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the

shovels, and the basons, and the fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the

vessels thereof made he of brass.

38:4 And he made for the altar a brasen grate of network under the

compass thereof beneath unto the midst of it.

38:5 And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grate of brass,

to be places for the staves.

38:6 And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with

brass.

38:7 And he put the staves into the rings on the sides of the altar,

to bear it withal; he made the altar hollow with boards.

38:8 And he made the laver of brass, and the foot of it of brass, of

the lookingglasses of the women assembling, which assembled at the

door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

38:9 And he made the court: on the south side southward the hangings

of the court were of fine twined linen, an hundred cubits: 38:10 Their

pillars were twenty, and their brasen sockets twenty; the hooks of the

pillars and their fillets were of silver.

38:11 And for the north side the hangings were an hundred cubits,

their pillars were twenty, and their sockets of brass twenty; the

hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver.

38:12 And for the west side were hangings of fifty cubits, their

pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars and their

fillets of silver.

38:13 And for the east side eastward fifty cubits.

38:14 The hangings of the one side of the gate were fifteen cubits;

their pillars three, and their sockets three.

38:15 And for the other side of the court gate, on this hand and that

hand, were hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their

sockets three.

38:16 All the hangings of the court round about were of fine twined

linen.

38:17 And the sockets for the pillars were of brass; the hooks of the

pillars and their fillets of silver; and the overlaying of their

chapiters of silver; and all the pillars of the court were filleted

with silver.

38:18 And the hanging for the gate of the court was needlework, of

blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty

cubits was the length, and the height in the breadth was five cubits,

answerable to the hangings of the court.

38:19 And their pillars were four, and their sockets of brass four;

their hooks of silver, and the overlaying of their chapiters and their

fillets of silver.

38:20 And all the pins of the tabernacle, and of the court round

about, were of brass.

38:21 This is the sum of the tabernacle, even of the tabernacle of

testimony, as it was counted, according to the commandment of Moses,

for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, son to Aaron

the priest.

38:22 And Bezaleel the son Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah,

made all that the LORD commanded Moses.

38:23 And with him was Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan,

an engraver, and a cunning workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in

purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.

38:24 All the gold that was occupied for the work in all the work of

the holy place, even the gold of the offering, was twenty and nine

talents, and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of the

sanctuary.

38:25 And the silver of them that were numbered of the congregation

was an hundred talents, and a thousand seven hundred and threescore

and fifteen shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary: 38:26 A bekah

for every man, that is, half a shekel, after the shekel of the

sanctuary, for every one that went to be numbered, from twenty years

old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five

hundred and fifty men.

38:27 And of the hundred talents of silver were cast the sockets of

the sanctuary, and the sockets of the vail; an hundred sockets of the

hundred talents, a talent for a socket.

38:28 And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five shekels he

made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters, and filleted

them.

38:29 And the brass of the offering was seventy talents, and two

thousand and four hundred shekels.

38:30 And therewith he made the sockets to the door of the tabernacle

of the congregation, and the brasen altar, and the brasen grate for

it, and all the vessels of the altar, 38:31 And the sockets of the

court round about, and the sockets of the court gate, and all the pins

of the tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

39:1 And of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they made cloths of

service, to do service in the holy place, and made the holy garments

for Aaron; as the LORD commanded Moses.

39:2 And he made the ephod of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and

fine twined linen.

39:3 And they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut it into

wires, to work it in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet,

and in the fine linen, with cunning work.

39:4 They made shoulderpieces for it, to couple it together: by the

two edges was it coupled together.

39:5 And the curious girdle of his ephod, that was upon it, was of the

same, according to the work thereof; of gold, blue, and purple, and

scarlet, and fine twined linen; as the LORD commanded Moses.

39:6 And they wrought onyx stones inclosed in ouches of gold, graven,

as signets are graven, with the names of the children of Israel.

39:7 And he put them on the shoulders of the ephod, that they should

be stones for a memorial to the children of Israel; as the LORD

commanded Moses.

39:8 And he made the breastplate of cunning work, like the work of the

ephod; of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

39:9 It was foursquare; they made the breastplate double: a span was

the length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof, being doubled.

39:10 And they set in it four rows of stones: the first row was a

sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this was the first row.

39:11 And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.

39:12 And the third row, a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.

39:13 And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: they were

inclosed in ouches of gold in their inclosings.

39:14 And the stones were according to the names of the children of

Israel, twelve, according to their names, like the engravings of a

signet, every one with his name, according to the twelve tribes.

39:15 And they made upon the breastplate chains at the ends, of

wreathen work of pure gold.

39:16 And they made two ouches of gold, and two gold rings; and put

the two rings in the two ends of the breastplate.

39:17 And they put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings on

the ends of the breastplate.

39:18 And the two ends of the two wreathen chains they fastened in the

two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod, before

it.

39:19 And they made two rings of gold, and put them on the two ends of

the breastplate, upon the border of it, which was on the side of the

ephod inward.

39:20 And they made two other golden rings, and put them on the two

sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart of it, over against

the other coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.

39:21 And they did bind the breastplate by his rings unto the rings of

the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be above the curious

girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not be loosed from

the ephod; as the LORD commanded Moses.

39:22 And he made the robe of the ephod of woven work, all of blue.

39:23 And there was an hole in the midst of the robe, as the hole of

an habergeon, with a band round about the hole, that it should not

rend.

39:24 And they made upon the hems of the robe pomegranates of blue,

and purple, and scarlet, and twined linen.

39:25 And they made bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the

pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round about between the

pomegranates; 39:26 A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a

pomegranate, round about the hem of the robe to minister in; as the

LORD commanded Moses.

39:27 And they made coats of fine linen of woven work for Aaron, and

for his sons, 39:28 And a mitre of fine linen, and goodly bonnets of

fine linen, and linen breeches of fine twined linen, 39:29 And a

girdle of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, of

needlework; as the LORD commanded Moses.

39:30 And they made the plate of the holy crown of pure gold, and

wrote upon it a writing, like to the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS

TO THE LORD.

39:31 And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten it on high upon

the mitre; as the LORD commanded Moses.

39:32 Thus was all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of the

congregation finished: and the children of Israel did according to all

that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

39:33 And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the tent, and all

his furniture, his taches, his boards, his bars, and his pillars, and

his sockets, 39:34 And the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the

covering of badgers' skins, and the vail of the covering, 39:35 The

ark of the testimony, and the staves thereof, and the mercy seat,

39:36 The table, and all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread, 39:37

The pure candlestick, with the lamps thereof, even with the lamps to

be set in order, and all the vessels thereof, and the oil for light,

39:38 And the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and the sweet

incense, and the hanging for the tabernacle door, 39:39 The brasen

altar, and his grate of brass, his staves, and all his vessels, the

laver and his foot, 39:40 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and

his sockets, and the hanging for the court gate, his cords, and his

pins, and all the vessels of the service of the tabernacle, for the

tent of the congregation, 39:41 The cloths of service to do service in

the holy place, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and his

sons' garments, to minister in the priest's office.

39:42 According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children

of Israel made all the work.

39:43 And Moses did look upon all the work, and, behold, they had done

it as the LORD had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses

blessed them.

40:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 40:2 On the first day of

the first month shalt thou set up the tabernacle of the tent of the

congregation.

40:3 And thou shalt put therein the ark of the testimony, and cover

the ark with the vail.

40:4 And thou shalt bring in the table, and set in order the things

that are to be set in order upon it; and thou shalt bring in the

candlestick, and light the lamps thereof.

40:5 And thou shalt set the altar of gold for the incense before the

ark of the testimony, and put the hanging of the door to the

tabernacle.

40:6 And thou shalt set the altar of the burnt offering before the

door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation.

40:7 And thou shalt set the laver between the tent of the congregation

and the altar, and shalt put water therein.

40:8 And thou shalt set up the court round about, and hang up the

hanging at the court gate.

40:9 And thou shalt take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle,

and all that is therein, and shalt hallow it, and all the vessels

thereof: and it shall be holy.

40:10 And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all

his vessels, and sanctify the altar: and it shall be an altar most

holy.

40:11 And thou shalt anoint the laver and his foot, and sanctify it.

40:12 And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation, and wash them with water.

40:13 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him,

and sanctify him; that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

40:14 And thou shalt bring his sons, and clothe them with coats: 40:15

And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their father, that

they may minister unto me in the priest's office: for their anointing

shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their

generations.

40:16 Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so

did he.

40:17 And it came to pass in the first month in the second year, on

the first day of the month, that the tabernacle was reared up.

40:18 And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and fastened his sockets,

and set up the boards thereof, and put in the bars thereof, and reared

up his pillars.

40:19 And he spread abroad the tent over the tabernacle, and put the

covering of the tent above upon it; as the LORD commanded Moses.

40:20 And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the

staves on the ark, and put the mercy seat above upon the ark: 40:21

And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the vail of the

covering, and covered the ark of the testimony; as the LORD commanded

Moses.

40:22 And he put the table in the tent of the congregation, upon the

side of the tabernacle northward, without the vail.

40:23 And he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD; as the

LORD had commanded Moses.

40:24 And he put the candlestick in the tent of the congregation, over

against the table, on the side of the tabernacle southward.

40:25 And he lighted the lamps before the LORD; as the LORD commanded

Moses.

40:26 And he put the golden altar in the tent of the congregation

before the vail: 40:27 And he burnt sweet incense thereon; as the LORD

commanded Moses.

40:28 And he set up the hanging at the door of the tabernacle.

40:29 And he put the altar of burnt offering by the door of the

tabernacle of the tent of the congregation, and offered upon it the

burnt offering and the meat offering; as the LORD commanded Moses.

40:30 And he set the laver between the tent of the congregation and

the altar, and put water there, to wash withal.

40:31 And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their

feet thereat: 40:32 When they went into the tent of the congregation,

and when they came near unto the altar, they washed; as the LORD

commanded Moses.

40:33 And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the

altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the

work.

40:34 Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory

of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

40:35 And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the

congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the

LORD filled the tabernacle.

40:36 And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the

children of Israel went onward in all their journeys: 40:37 But if the

cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it

was taken up.

40:38 For the cloud of the LORD was upon the tabernacle by day, and

fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel,

throughout all their journeys.

The Third Book of Moses: Called Leviticus

1:1 And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the

tabernacle of the congregation, saying, 1:2 Speak unto the children of

Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering unto

the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, even of the

herd, and of the flock.

1:3 If his offering be a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a

male without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at

the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

1:4 And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and

it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.

1:5 And he shall kill the bullock before the LORD: and the priests,

Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood, and sprinkle the blood round

about upon the altar that is by the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation.

1:6 And he shall flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces.

1:7 And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar,

and lay the wood in order upon the fire: 1:8 And the priests, Aaron's

sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat, in order upon the

wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar: 1:9 But his inwards

and his legs shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on

the altar, to be a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a

sweet savour unto the LORD.

1:10 And if his offering be of the flocks, namely, of the sheep, or of

the goats, for a burnt sacrifice; he shall bring it a male without

blemish.

1:11 And he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before

the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall sprinkle his blood

round about upon the altar.

1:12 And he shall cut it into his pieces, with his head and his fat:

and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that is on the fire

which is upon the altar: 1:13 But he shall wash the inwards and the

legs with water: and the priest shall bring it all, and burn it upon

the altar: it is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a

sweet savour unto the LORD.

1:14 And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD be of

fowls, then he shall bring his offering of turtledoves, or of young

pigeons.

1:15 And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and wring off his

head, and burn it on the altar; and the blood thereof shall be wrung

out at the side of the altar: 1:16 And he shall pluck away his crop

with his feathers, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, by

the place of the ashes: 1:17 And he shall cleave it with the wings

thereof, but shall not divide it asunder: and the priest shall burn it

upon the altar, upon the wood that is upon the fire: it is a burnt

sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

2:1 And when any will offer a meat offering unto the LORD, his

offering shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and

put frankincense thereon: 2:2 And he shall bring it to Aaron's sons

the priests: and he shall take thereout his handful of the flour

thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof;

and the priest shall burn the memorial of it upon the altar, to be an

offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: 2:3 And the

remnant of the meat offering shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a

thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

2:4 And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering baken in the

oven, it shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or

unleavened wafers anointed with oil.

2:5 And if thy oblation be a meat offering baken in a pan, it shall be

of fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

2:6 Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: it is a meat

offering.

2:7 And if thy oblation be a meat offering baken in the fryingpan, it

shall be made of fine flour with oil.

2:8 And thou shalt bring the meat offering that is made of these

things unto the LORD: and when it is presented unto the priest, he

shall bring it unto the altar.

2:9 And the priest shall take from the meat offering a memorial

thereof, and shall burn it upon the altar: it is an offering made by

fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

2:10 And that which is left of the meat offering shall be Aaron's and

his sons': it is a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made

by fire.

2:11 No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto the LORD, shall be

made with leaven: for ye shall burn no leaven, nor any honey, in any

offering of the LORD made by fire.

2:12 As for the oblation of the firstfruits, ye shall offer them unto

the LORD: but they shall not be burnt on the altar for a sweet savour.

2:13 And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with

salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to

be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thine offerings thou shalt

offer salt.

2:14 And if thou offer a meat offering of thy firstfruits unto the

LORD, thou shalt offer for the meat offering of thy firstfruits green

ears of corn dried by the fire, even corn beaten out of full ears.

2:15 And thou shalt put oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it

is a meat offering.

2:16 And the priest shall burn the memorial of it, part of the beaten

corn thereof, and part of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense

thereof: it is an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

3:1 And if his oblation be a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer

it of the herd; whether it be a male or female, he shall offer it

without blemish before the LORD.

3:2 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill

it at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons

the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.

3:3 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an

offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the

inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, 3:4 And the two

kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the

caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

3:5 And Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt

sacrifice, which is upon the wood that is on the fire: it is an

offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

3:6 And if his offering for a sacrifice of peace offering unto the

LORD be of the flock; male or female, he shall offer it without

blemish.

3:7 If he offer a lamb for his offering, then shall he offer it before

the LORD.

3:8 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill

it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons shall

sprinkle the blood thereof round about upon the altar.

3:9 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an

offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat thereof, and the whole

rump, it shall he take off hard by the backbone; and the fat that

covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards, 3:10

And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, which is by the

flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he

take away.

3:11 And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: it is the food of

the offering made by fire unto the LORD.

3:12 And if his offering be a goat, then he shall offer it before the

LORD.

3:13 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before

the tabernacle of the congregation: and the sons of Aaron shall

sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about.

3:14 And he shall offer thereof his offering, even an offering made by

fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat

that is upon the inwards, 3:15 And the two kidneys, and the fat that

is upon them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver,

with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

3:16 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: it is the food of

the offering made by fire for a sweet savour: all the fat is the

LORD's.

3:17 It shall be a perpetual statute for your generations throughout

all your dwellings, that ye eat neither fat nor blood.

4:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 4:2 Speak unto the children

of Israel, saying, If a soul shall sin through ignorance against any

of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to

be done, and shall do against any of them: 4:3 If the priest that is

anointed do sin according to the sin of the people; then let him bring

for his sin, which he hath sinned, a young bullock without blemish

unto the LORD for a sin offering.

4:4 And he shall bring the bullock unto the door of the tabernacle of

the congregation before the LORD; and shall lay his hand upon the

bullock's head, and kill the bullock before the LORD.

4:5 And the priest that is anointed shall take of the bullock's blood,

and bring it to the tabernacle of the congregation: 4:6 And the priest

shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven

times before the LORD, before the vail of the sanctuary.

4:7 And the priest shall put some of the blood upon the horns of the

altar of sweet incense before the LORD, which is in the tabernacle of

the congregation; and shall pour all the blood of the bullock at the

bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which is at the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation.

4:8 And he shall take off from it all the fat of the bullock for the

sin offering; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that

is upon the inwards, 4:9 And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon

them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the

kidneys, it shall he take away, 4:10 As it was taken off from the

bullock of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall burn

them upon the altar of the burnt offering.

4:11 And the skin of the bullock, and all his flesh, with his head,

and with his legs, and his inwards, and his dung, 4:12 Even the whole

bullock shall he carry forth without the camp unto a clean place,

where the ashes are poured out, and burn him on the wood with fire:

where the ashes are poured out shall he be burnt.

4:13 And if the whole congregation of Israel sin through ignorance,

and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done

somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things

which should not be done, and are guilty; 4:14 When the sin, which

they have sinned against it, is known, then the congregation shall

offer a young bullock for the sin, and bring him before the tabernacle

of the congregation.

4:15 And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the

head of the bullock before the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed

before the LORD.

4:16 And the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's

blood to the tabernacle of the congregation: 4:17 And the priest shall

dip his finger in some of the blood, and sprinkle it seven times

before the LORD, even before the vail.

4:18 And he shall put some of the blood upon the horns of the altar

which is before the LORD, that is in the tabernacle of the

congregation, and shall pour out all the blood at the bottom of the

altar of the burnt offering, which is at the door of the tabernacle of

the congregation.

4:19 And he shall take all his fat from him, and burn it upon the

altar.

4:20 And he shall do with the bullock as he did with the bullock for a

sin offering, so shall he do with this: and the priest shall make an

atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven them.

4:21 And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn

him as he burned the first bullock: it is a sin offering for the

congregation.

4:22 When a ruler hath sinned, and done somewhat through ignorance

against any of the commandments of the LORD his God concerning things

which should not be done, and is guilty; 4:23 Or if his sin, wherein

he hath sinned, come to his knowledge; he shall bring his offering, a

kid of the goats, a male without blemish: 4:24 And he shall lay his

hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they

kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it is a sin offering.

4:25 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with

his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering,

and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the altar of burnt

offering.

4:26 And he shall burn all his fat upon the altar, as the fat of the

sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall make an atonement

for him as concerning his sin, and it shall be forgiven him.

4:27 And if any one of the common people sin through ignorance, while

he doeth somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD

concerning things which ought not to be done, and be guilty; 4:28 Or

if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall

bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for

his sin which he hath sinned.

4:29 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and

slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering.

4:30 And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger,

and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall

pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar.

4:31 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken

away from off the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall

burn it upon the altar for a sweet savour unto the LORD; and the

priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.

4:32 And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a

female without blemish.

4:33 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and

slay it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt

offering.

4:34 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with

his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering,

and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

4:35 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the

lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of the peace offerings; and the

priest shall burn them upon the altar, according to the offerings made

by fire unto the LORD: and the priest shall make an atonement for his

sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

5:1 And if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and is a

witness, whether he hath seen or known of it; if he do not utter it,

then he shall bear his iniquity.

5:2 Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of

an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of

unclean creeping things, and if it be hidden from him; he also shall

be unclean, and guilty.

5:3 Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness it

be that a man shall be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he

knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty.

5:4 Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with his lips to do evil, or to do

good, whatsoever it be that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it

be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty in one

of these.

5:5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these things,

that he shall confess that he hath sinned in that thing: 5:6 And he

shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD for his sin which he

hath sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats,

for a sin offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him

concerning his sin.

5:7 And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his

trespass, which he hath committed, two turtledoves, or two young

pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering, and the other for a

burnt offering.

5:8 And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer that

which is for the sin offering first, and wring off his head from his

neck, but shall not divide it asunder: 5:9 And he shall sprinkle of

the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest

of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: it is a

sin offering.

5:10 And he shall offer the second for a burnt offering, according to

the manner: and the priest shall make an atonement for him for his sin

which he hath sinned, and it shall be forgiven him.

5:11 But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or two young

pigeons, then he that sinned shall bring for his offering the tenth

part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering; he shall put no oil

upon it, neither shall he put any frankincense thereon: for it is a

sin offering.

5:12 Then shall he bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take

his handful of it, even a memorial thereof, and burn it on the altar,

according to the offerings made by fire unto the LORD: it is a sin

offering.

5:13 And the priest shall make an atonement for him as touching his

sin that he hath sinned in one of these, and it shall be forgiven him:

and the remnant shall be the priest's, as a meat offering.

5:14 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 5:15 If a soul commit a

trespass, and sin through ignorance, in the holy things of the LORD;

then he shall bring for his trespass unto the LORD a ram without

blemish out of the flocks, with thy estimation by shekels of silver,

after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass offering.

5:16 And he shall make amends for the harm that he hath done in the

holy thing, and shall add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the

priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of

the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.

5:17 And if a soul sin, and commit any of these things which are

forbidden to be done by the commandments of the LORD; though he wist

it not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his iniquity.

5:18 And he shall bring a ram without blemish out of the flock, with

thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest: and the

priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his ignorance

wherein he erred and wist it not, and it shall be forgiven him.

5:19 It is a trespass offering: he hath certainly trespassed against

the LORD.

6:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:2 If a soul sin, and

commit a trespass against the LORD, and lie unto his neighbour in that

which was delivered him to keep, or in fellowship, or in a thing taken

away by violence, or hath deceived his neighbour; 6:3 Or have found

that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and sweareth falsely; in

any of all these that a man doeth, sinning therein: 6:4 Then it shall

be, because he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that

which he took violently away, or the thing which he hath deceitfully

gotten, or that which was delivered him to keep, or the lost thing

which he found, 6:5 Or all that about which he hath sworn falsely; he

shall even restore it in the principal, and shall add the fifth part

more thereto, and give it unto him to whom it appertaineth, in the day

of his trespass offering.

6:6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, a ram

without blemish out of the flock, with thy estimation, for a trespass

offering, unto the priest: 6:7 And the priest shall make an atonement

for him before the LORD: and it shall be forgiven him for any thing of

all that he hath done in trespassing therein.

6:8 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:9 Command Aaron and his

sons, saying, This is the law of the burnt offering: It is the burnt

offering, because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the

morning, and the fire of the altar shall be burning in it.

6:10 And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen

breeches shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the

fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall

put them beside the altar.

6:11 And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and

carry forth the ashes without the camp unto a clean place.

6:12 And the fire upon the altar shall be burning in it; it shall not

be put out: and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning, and

lay the burnt offering in order upon it; and he shall burn thereon the

fat of the peace offerings.

6:13 The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go

out.

6:14 And this is the law of the meat offering: the sons of Aaron shall

offer it before the LORD, before the altar.

6:15 And he shall take of it his handful, of the flour of the meat

offering, and of the oil thereof, and all the frankincense which is

upon the meat offering, and shall burn it upon the altar for a sweet

savour, even the memorial of it, unto the LORD.

6:16 And the remainder thereof shall Aaron and his sons eat: with

unleavened bread shall it be eaten in the holy place; in the court of

the tabernacle of the congregation they shall eat it.

6:17 It shall not be baken with leaven. I have given it unto them for

their portion of my offerings made by fire; it is most holy, as is the

sin offering, and as the trespass offering.

6:18 All the males among the children of Aaron shall eat of it. It

shall be a statute for ever in your generations concerning the

offerings of the LORD made by fire: every one that toucheth them shall

be holy.

6:19 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:20 This is the offering

of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer unto the LORD in the

day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for

a meat offering perpetual, half of it in the morning, and half thereof

at night.

6:21 In a pan it shall be made with oil; and when it is baken, thou

shalt bring it in: and the baken pieces of the meat offering shalt

thou offer for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

6:22 And the priest of his sons that is anointed in his stead shall

offer it: it is a statute for ever unto the LORD; it shall be wholly

burnt.

6:23 For every meat offering for the priest shall be wholly burnt: it

shall not be eaten.

6:24 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:25 Speak unto Aaron and

to his sons, saying, This is the law of the sin offering: In the place

where the burnt offering is killed shall the sin offering be killed

before the LORD: it is most holy.

6:26 The priest that offereth it for sin shall eat it: in the holy

place shall it be eaten, in the court of the tabernacle of the

congregation.

6:27 Whatsoever shall touch the flesh thereof shall be holy: and when

there is sprinkled of the blood thereof upon any garment, thou shalt

wash that whereon it was sprinkled in the holy place.

6:28 But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall be broken: and

if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall be both scoured, and rinsed

in water.

6:29 All the males among the priests shall eat thereof: it is most

holy.

6:30 And no sin offering, whereof any of the blood is brought into the

tabernacle of the congregation to reconcile withal in the holy place,

shall be eaten: it shall be burnt in the fire.

7:1 Likewise this is the law of the trespass offering: it is most

holy.

7:2 In the place where they kill the burnt offering shall they kill

the trespass offering: and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle round

about upon the altar.

7:3 And he shall offer of it all the fat thereof; the rump, and the

fat that covereth the inwards, 7:4 And the two kidneys, and the fat

that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the caul that is above

the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away: 7:5 And the priest

shall burn them upon the altar for an offering made by fire unto the

LORD: it is a trespass offering.

7:6 Every male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten

in the holy place: it is most holy.

7:7 As the sin offering is, so is the trespass offering: there is one

law for them: the priest that maketh atonement therewith shall have

it.

7:8 And the priest that offereth any man's burnt offering, even the

priest shall have to himself the skin of the burnt offering which he

hath offered.

7:9 And all the meat offering that is baken in the oven, and all that

is dressed in the fryingpan, and in the pan, shall be the priest's

that offereth it.

7:10 And every meat offering, mingled with oil, and dry, shall all the

sons of Aaron have, one as much as another.

7:11 And this is the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which he

shall offer unto the LORD.

7:12 If he offer it for a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the

sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and

unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes mingled with oil, of

fine flour, fried.

7:13 Besides the cakes, he shall offer for his offering leavened bread

with the sacrifice of thanksgiving of his peace offerings.

7:14 And of it he shall offer one out of the whole oblation for an

heave offering unto the LORD, and it shall be the priest's that

sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings.

7:15 And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for

thanksgiving shall be eaten the same day that it is offered; he shall

not leave any of it until the morning.

7:16 But if the sacrifice of his offering be a vow, or a voluntary

offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offereth his

sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten:

7:17 But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day

shall be burnt with fire.

7:18 And if any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings

be eaten at all on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither

shall it be imputed unto him that offereth it: it shall be an

abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his iniquity.

7:19 And the flesh that toucheth any unclean thing shall not be eaten;

it shall be burnt with fire: and as for the flesh, all that be clean

shall eat thereof.

7:20 But the soul that eateth of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace

offerings, that pertain unto the LORD, having his uncleanness upon

him, even that soul shall be cut off from his people.

7:21 Moreover the soul that shall touch any unclean thing, as the

uncleanness of man, or any unclean beast, or any abominable unclean

thing, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which

pertain unto the LORD, even that soul shall be cut off from his

people.

7:22 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 7:23 Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying, Ye shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or

of sheep, or of goat.

7:24 And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of

that which is torn with beasts, may be used in any other use: but ye

shall in no wise eat of it.

7:25 For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an

offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth it

shall be cut off from his people.

7:26 Moreover ye shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of fowl

or of beast, in any of your dwellings.

7:27 Whatsoever soul it be that eateth any manner of blood, even that

soul shall be cut off from his people.

7:28 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 7:29 Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying, He that offereth the sacrifice of his

peace offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD

of the sacrifice of his peace offerings.

7:30 His own hands shall bring the offerings of the LORD made by fire,

the fat with the breast, it shall he bring, that the breast may be

waved for a wave offering before the LORD.

7:31 And the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar: but the breast

shall be Aaron's and his sons'.

7:32 And the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest for an heave

offering of the sacrifices of your peace offerings.

7:33 He among the sons of Aaron, that offereth the blood of the peace

offerings, and the fat, shall have the right shoulder for his part.

7:34 For the wave breast and the heave shoulder have I taken of the

children of Israel from off the sacrifices of their peace offerings,

and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons by a

statute for ever from among the children of Israel.

7:35 This is the portion of the anointing of Aaron, and of the

anointing of his sons, out of the offerings of the LORD made by fire,

in the day when he presented them to minister unto the LORD in the

priest's office; 7:36 Which the LORD commanded to be given them of the

children of Israel, in the day that he anointed them, by a statute for

ever throughout their generations.

7:37 This is the law of the burnt offering, of the meat offering, and

of the sin offering, and of the trespass offering, and of the

consecrations, and of the sacrifice of the peace offerings; 7:38 Which

the LORD commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded

the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto the LORD, in the

wilderness of Sinai.

8:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 8:2 Take Aaron and his sons

with him, and the garments, and the anointing oil, and a bullock for

the sin offering, and two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread; 8:3

And gather thou all the congregation together unto the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation.

8:4 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was

gathered together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

8:5 And Moses said unto the congregation, This is the thing which the

LORD commanded to be done.

8:6 And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water.

8:7 And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with the girdle, and

clothed him with the robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he girded

him with the curious girdle of the ephod, and bound it unto him

therewith.

8:8 And he put the breastplate upon him: also he put in the

breastplate the Urim and the Thummim.

8:9 And he put the mitre upon his head; also upon the mitre, even upon

his forefront, did he put the golden plate, the holy crown; as the

LORD commanded Moses.

8:10 And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and

all that was therein, and sanctified them.

8:11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed

the altar and all his vessels, both the laver and his foot, to

sanctify them.

8:12 And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and

anointed him, to sanctify him.

8:13 And Moses brought Aaron's sons, and put coats upon them, and

girded them with girdles, and put bonnets upon them; as the LORD

commanded Moses.

8:14 And he brought the bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and

his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the sin

offering.

8:15 And he slew it; and Moses took the blood, and put it upon the

horns of the altar round about with his finger, and purified the

altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar, and sanctified

it, to make reconciliation upon it.

8:16 And he took all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul

above the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned

it upon the altar.

8:17 But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he burnt

with fire without the camp; as the LORD commanded Moses.

8:18 And he brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his

sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.

8:19 And he killed it; and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar

round about.

8:20 And he cut the ram into pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the

pieces, and the fat.

8:21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt

the whole ram upon the altar: it was a burnt sacrifice for a sweet

savour, and an offering made by fire unto the LORD; as the LORD

commanded Moses.

8:22 And he brought the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron

and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.

8:23 And he slew it; and Moses took of the blood of it, and put it

upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right

hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot.

8:24 And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the

tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and

upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprinkled the blood

upon the altar round about.

8:25 And he took the fat, and the rump, and all the fat that was upon

the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys, and

their fat, and the right shoulder: 8:26 And out of the basket of

unleavened bread, that was before the LORD, he took one unleavened

cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and put them on the

fat, and upon the right shoulder: 8:27 And he put all upon Aaron's

hands, and upon his sons' hands, and waved them for a wave offering

before the LORD.

8:28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt them on the

altar upon the burnt offering: they were consecrations for a sweet

savour: it is an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

8:29 And Moses took the breast, and waved it for a wave offering

before the LORD: for of the ram of consecration it was Moses' part; as

the LORD commanded Moses.

8:30 And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was

upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Aaron, and upon his garments,

and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and

sanctified Aaron, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons'

garments with him.

8:31 And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, Boil the flesh at the

door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and there eat it with the

bread that is in the basket of consecrations, as I commanded, saying,

Aaron and his sons shall eat it.

8:32 And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye

burn with fire.

8:33 And ye shall not go out of the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation in seven days, until the days of your consecration be at

an end: for seven days shall he consecrate you.

8:34 As he hath done this day, so the LORD hath commanded to do, to

make an atonement for you.

8:35 Therefore shall ye abide at the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation day and night seven days, and keep the charge of the

LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded.

8:36 So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded by

the hand of Moses.

9:1 And it came to pass on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and

his sons, and the elders of Israel; 9:2 And he said unto Aaron, Take

thee a young calf for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering,

without blemish, and offer them before the LORD.

9:3 And unto the children of Israel thou shalt speak, saying, Take ye

a kid of the goats for a sin offering; and a calf and a lamb, both of

the first year, without blemish, for a burnt offering; 9:4 Also a

bullock and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD;

and a meat offering mingled with oil: for to day the LORD will appear

unto you.

9:5 And they brought that which Moses commanded before the tabernacle

of the congregation: and all the congregation drew near and stood

before the LORD.

9:6 And Moses said, This is the thing which the LORD commanded that ye

should do: and the glory of the LORD shall appear unto you.

9:7 And Moses said unto Aaron, Go unto the altar, and offer thy sin

offering, and thy burnt offering, and make an atonement for thyself,

and for the people: and offer the offering of the people, and make an

atonement for them; as the LORD commanded.

9:8 Aaron therefore went unto the altar, and slew the calf of the sin

offering, which was for himself.

9:9 And the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him: and he dipped

his finger in the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar, and

poured out the blood at the bottom of the altar: 9:10 But the fat, and

the kidneys, and the caul above the liver of the sin offering, he

burnt upon the altar; as the LORD commanded Moses.

9:11 And the flesh and the hide he burnt with fire without the camp.

9:12 And he slew the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons presented unto

him the blood, which he sprinkled round about upon the altar.

9:13 And they presented the burnt offering unto him, with the pieces

thereof, and the head: and he burnt them upon the altar.

9:14 And he did wash the inwards and the legs, and burnt them upon the

burnt offering on the altar.

9:15 And he brought the people's offering, and took the goat, which

was the sin offering for the people, and slew it, and offered it for

sin, as the first.

9:16 And he brought the burnt offering, and offered it according to

the manner.

9:17 And he brought the meat offering, and took an handful thereof,

and burnt it upon the altar, beside the burnt sacrifice of the

morning.

9:18 He slew also the bullock and the ram for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, which was for the people: and Aaron's sons presented unto

him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the altar round about, 9:19 And

the fat of the bullock and of the ram, the rump, and that which

covereth the inwards, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver:

9:20 And they put the fat upon the breasts, and he burnt the fat upon

the altar: 9:21 And the breasts and the right shoulder Aaron waved for

a wave offering before the LORD; as Moses commanded.

9:22 And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people, and blessed them,

and came down from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt

offering, and peace offerings.

9:23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation,

and came out, and blessed the people: and the glory of the LORD

appeared unto all the people.

9:24 And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon

the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people

saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces.

10:1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his

censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered

strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

10:2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and

they died before the LORD.

10:3 Then Moses said unto Aaron, This is it that the LORD spake,

saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all

the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held his peace.

10:4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the

uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Come near, carry your brethren

from before the sanctuary out of the camp.

10:5 So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the

camp; as Moses had said.

10:6 And Moses said unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his

sons, Uncover not your heads, neither rend your clothes; lest ye die,

and lest wrath come upon all the people: but let your brethren, the

whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which the LORD hath kindled.

10:7 And ye shall not go out from the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation, lest ye die: for the anointing oil of the LORD is upon

you. And they did according to the word of Moses.

10:8 And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying, 10:9 Do not drink wine nor

strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the

tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: it shall be a statute for

ever throughout your generations: 10:10 And that ye may put difference

between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean; 10:11 And that

ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD

hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.

10:12 And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar,

his sons that were left, Take the meat offering that remaineth of the

offerings of the LORD made by fire, and eat it without leaven beside

the altar: for it is most holy: 10:13 And ye shall eat it in the holy

place, because it is thy due, and thy sons' due, of the sacrifices of

the LORD made by fire: for so I am commanded.

10:14 And the wave breast and heave shoulder shall ye eat in a clean

place; thou, and thy sons, and thy daughters with thee: for they be

thy due, and thy sons' due, which are given out of the sacrifices of

peace offerings of the children of Israel.

10:15 The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the

offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave it for a wave offering

before the LORD; and it shall be thine, and thy sons' with thee, by a

statute for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.

10:16 And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin offering, and,

behold, it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the

sons of Aaron which were left alive, saying, 10:17 Wherefore have ye

not eaten the sin offering in the holy place, seeing it is most holy,

and God hath given it you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to

make atonement for them before the LORD? 10:18 Behold, the blood of

it was not brought in within the holy place: ye should indeed have

eaten it in the holy place, as I commanded.

10:19 And Aaron said unto Moses, Behold, this day have they offered

their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD; and such

things have befallen me: and if I had eaten the sin offering to day,

should it have been accepted in the sight of the LORD? 10:20 And when

Moses heard that, he was content.

11:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,

11:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These are the beasts

which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth.

11:3 Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the

cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.

11:4 Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or

of them that divide the hoof: as the camel, because he cheweth the

cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

11:5 And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the

hoof; he is unclean unto you.

11:6 And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the

hoof; he is unclean unto you.

11:7 And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted,

yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you.

11:8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not

touch; they are unclean to you.

11:9 These shall ye eat of all that are in the waters: whatsoever hath

fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them

shall ye eat.

11:10 And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the

rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which

is in the waters, they shall be an abomination unto you: 11:11 They

shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their

flesh, but ye shall have their carcases in abomination.

11:12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that shall be

an abomination unto you.

11:13 And these are they which ye shall have in abomination among the

fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle,

and the ossifrage, and the ospray, 11:14 And the vulture, and the kite

after his kind; 11:15 Every raven after his kind; 11:16 And the owl,

and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind, 11:17

And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl, 11:18 And

the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle, 11:19 And the stork,

the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

11:20 All fowls that creep, going upon all four, shall be an

abomination unto you.

11:21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth

upon all four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon

the earth; 11:22 Even these of them ye may eat; the locust after his

kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his

kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.

11:23 But all other flying creeping things, which have four feet,

shall be an abomination unto you.

11:24 And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the

carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.

11:25 And whosoever beareth ought of the carcase of them shall wash

his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

11:26 The carcases of every beast which divideth the hoof, and is not

clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, are unclean unto you: every one

that toucheth them shall be unclean.

11:27 And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts

that go on all four, those are unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their

carcase shall be unclean until the even.

11:28 And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes,

and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you.

11:29 These also shall be unclean unto you among the creeping things

that creep upon the earth; the weasel, and the mouse, and the tortoise

after his kind, 11:30 And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the

lizard, and the snail, and the mole.

11:31 These are unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth

touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

11:32 And upon whatsoever any of them, when they are dead, doth fall,

it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or

skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel it be, wherein any work is done, it

must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it

shall be cleansed.

11:33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto any of them falleth,

whatsoever is in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

11:34 Of all meat which may be eaten, that on which such water cometh

shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every such vessel

shall be unclean.

11:35 And every thing whereupon any part of their carcase falleth

shall be unclean; whether it be oven, or ranges for pots, they shall

be broken down: for they are unclean and shall be unclean unto you.

11:36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, wherein there is plenty of

water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcase shall be

unclean.

11:37 And if any part of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which

is to be sown, it shall be clean.

11:38 But if any water be put upon the seed, and any part of their

carcase fall thereon, it shall be unclean unto you.

11:39 And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the

carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.

11:40 And he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes,

and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it

shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

11:41 And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth shall be

an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

11:42 Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all

four, or whatsoever hath more feet among all creeping things that

creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they are an

abomination.

11:43 Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing

that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them,

that ye should be defiled thereby.

11:44 For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify

yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye

defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon

the earth.

11:45 For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt,

to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.

11:46 This is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every

living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that

creepeth upon the earth: 11:47 To make a difference between the

unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the

beast that may not be eaten.

12:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 12:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a

man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days

of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.

12:3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be

circumcised.

12:4 And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three

and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the

sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.

12:5 But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two

weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of

her purifying threescore and six days.

12:6 And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or

for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt

offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering,

unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:

12:7 Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for

her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This is

the law for her that hath born a male or a female.

12:8 And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two

turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the

other for a sin offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for

her, and she shall be clean.

13:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying, 13:2 When a man

shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, a scab, or bright spot,

and it be in the skin of his flesh like the plague of leprosy; then he

shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the

priests: 13:3 And the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of

the flesh: and when the hair in the plague is turned white, and the

plague in sight be deeper than the skin of his flesh, it is a plague

of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him

unclean.

13:4 If the bright spot be white in the skin of his flesh, and in

sight be not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned

white; then the priest shall shut up him that hath the plague seven

days: 13:5 And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and,

behold, if the plague in his sight be at a stay, and the plague spread

not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven days more:

13:6 And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and,

behold, if the plague be somewhat dark, and the plague spread not in

the skin, the priest shall pronounce him clean: it is but a scab: and

he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.

13:7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin, after that he

hath been seen of the priest for his cleansing, he shall be seen of

the priest again.

13:8 And if the priest see that, behold, the scab spreadeth in the

skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a leprosy.

13:9 When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought

unto the priest; 13:10 And the priest shall see him: and, behold, if

the rising be white in the skin, and it have turned the hair white,

and there be quick raw flesh in the rising; 13:11 It is an old leprosy

in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean,

and shall not shut him up: for he is unclean.

13:12 And if a leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy

cover all the skin of him that hath the plague from his head even to

his foot, wheresoever the priest looketh; 13:13 Then the priest shall

consider: and, behold, if the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he

shall pronounce him clean that hath the plague: it is all turned

white: he is clean.

13:14 But when raw flesh appeareth in him, he shall be unclean.

13:15 And the priest shall see the raw flesh, and pronounce him to be

unclean: for the raw flesh is unclean: it is a leprosy.

13:16 Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, he

shall come unto the priest; 13:17 And the priest shall see him: and,

behold, if the plague be turned into white; then the priest shall

pronounce him clean that hath the plague: he is clean.

13:18 The flesh also, in which, even in the skin thereof, was a boil,

and is healed, 13:19 And in the place of the boil there be a white

rising, or a bright spot, white, and somewhat reddish, and it be

shewed to the priest; 13:20 And if, when the priest seeth it, behold,

it be in sight lower than the skin, and the hair thereof be turned

white; the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a plague of

leprosy broken out of the boil.

13:21 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, there be no white

hairs therein, and if it be not lower than the skin, but be somewhat

dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: 13:22 And if it

spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him

unclean: it is a plague.

13:23 But if the bright spot stay in his place, and spread not, it is

a burning boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

13:24 Or if there be any flesh, in the skin whereof there is a hot

burning, and the quick flesh that burneth have a white bright spot,

somewhat reddish, or white; 13:25 Then the priest shall look upon it:

and, behold, if the hair in the bright spot be turned white, and it be

in sight deeper than the skin; it is a leprosy broken out of the

burning: wherefore the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is the

plague of leprosy.

13:26 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, there be no white

hair in the bright spot, and it be no lower than the other skin, but

be somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: 13:27

And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: and if it be

spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him

unclean: it is the plague of leprosy.

13:28 And if the bright spot stay in his place, and spread not in the

skin, but it be somewhat dark; it is a rising of the burning, and the

priest shall pronounce him clean: for it is an inflammation of the

burning.

13:29 If a man or woman have a plague upon the head or the beard;

13:30 Then the priest shall see the plague: and, behold, if it be in

sight deeper than the skin; and there be in it a yellow thin hair;

then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a dry scall, even a

leprosy upon the head or beard.

13:31 And if the priest look on the plague of the scall, and, behold,

it be not in sight deeper than the skin, and that there is no black

hair in it; then the priest shall shut up him that hath the plague of

the scall seven days: 13:32 And in the seventh day the priest shall

look on the plague: and, behold, if the scall spread not, and there be

in it no yellow hair, and the scall be not in sight deeper than the

skin; 13:33 He shall be shaven, but the scall shall he not shave; and

the priest shall shut up him that hath the scall seven days more:

13:34 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scall: and,

behold, if the scall be not spread in the skin, nor be in sight deeper

than the skin; then the priest shall pronounce him clean: and he shall

wash his clothes, and be clean.

13:35 But if the scall spread much in the skin after his cleansing;

13:36 Then the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the scall be

spread in the skin, the priest shall not seek for yellow hair; he is

unclean.

13:37 But if the scall be in his sight at a stay, and that there is

black hair grown up therein; the scall is healed, he is clean: and the

priest shall pronounce him clean.

13:38 If a man also or a woman have in the skin of their flesh bright

spots, even white bright spots; 13:39 Then the priest shall look: and,

behold, if the bright spots in the skin of their flesh be darkish

white; it is a freckled spot that groweth in the skin; he is clean.

13:40 And the man whose hair is fallen off his head, he is bald; yet

is he clean.

13:41 And he that hath his hair fallen off from the part of his head

toward his face, he is forehead bald: yet is he clean.

13:42 And if there be in the bald head, or bald forehead, a white

reddish sore; it is a leprosy sprung up in his bald head, or his bald

forehead.

13:43 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, if the rising

of the sore be white reddish in his bald head, or in his bald

forehead, as the leprosy appeareth in the skin of the flesh; 13:44 He

is a leprous man, he is unclean: the priest shall pronounce him

utterly unclean; his plague is in his head.

13:45 And the leper in whom the plague is, his clothes shall be rent,

and his head bare, and he shall put a covering upon his upper lip, and

shall cry, Unclean, unclean.

13:46 All the days wherein the plague shall be in him he shall be

defiled; he is unclean: he shall dwell alone; without the camp shall

his habitation be.

13:47 The garment also that the plague of leprosy is in, whether it be

a woollen garment, or a linen garment; 13:48 Whether it be in the

warp, or woof; of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any

thing made of skin; 13:49 And if the plague be greenish or reddish in

the garment, or in the skin, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in

any thing of skin; it is a plague of leprosy, and shall be shewed unto

the priest: 13:50 And the priest shall look upon the plague, and shut

up it that hath the plague seven days: 13:51 And he shall look on the

plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the garment,

either in the warp, or in the woof, or in a skin, or in any work that

is made of skin; the plague is a fretting leprosy; it is unclean.

13:52 He shall therefore burn that garment, whether warp or woof, in

woollen or in linen, or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for

it is a fretting leprosy; it shall be burnt in the fire.

13:53 And if the priest shall look, and, behold, the plague be not

spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any

thing of skin; 13:54 Then the priest shall command that they wash the

thing wherein the plague is, and he shall shut it up seven days more:

13:55 And the priest shall look on the plague, after that it is

washed: and, behold, if the plague have not changed his colour, and

the plague be not spread; it is unclean; thou shalt burn it in the

fire; it is fret inward, whether it be bare within or without.

13:56 And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague be somewhat dark

after the washing of it; then he shall rend it out of the garment, or

out of the skin, or out of the warp, or out of the woof: 13:57 And if

it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or

in any thing of skin; it is a spreading plague: thou shalt burn that

wherein the plague is with fire.

13:58 And the garment, either warp, or woof, or whatsoever thing of

skin it be, which thou shalt wash, if the plague be departed from

them, then it shall be washed the second time, and shall be clean.

13:59 This is the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of woollen

or linen, either in the warp, or woof, or any thing of skins, to

pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

14:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 14:2 This shall be the law

of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought unto the

priest: 14:3 And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the

priest shall look, and, behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in

the leper; 14:4 Then shall the priest command to take for him that is

to be cleansed two birds alive and clean, and cedar wood, and scarlet,

and hyssop: 14:5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be

killed in an earthen vessel over running water: 14:6 As for the living

bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the

hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the

bird that was killed over the running water: 14:7 And he shall

sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times,

and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose

into the open field.

14:8 And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave

off all his hair, and wash himself in water, that he may be clean: and

after that he shall come into the camp, and shall tarry abroad out of

his tent seven days.

14:9 But it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his

hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he

shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes, also he shall wash his

flesh in water, and he shall be clean.

14:10 And on the eighth day he shall take two he lambs without

blemish, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish, and three

tenth deals of fine flour for a meat offering, mingled with oil, and

one log of oil.

14:11 And the priest that maketh him clean shall present the man that

is to be made clean, and those things, before the LORD, at the door of

the tabernacle of the congregation: 14:12 And the priest shall take

one he lamb, and offer him for a trespass offering, and the log of

oil, and wave them for a wave offering before the LORD: 14:13 And he

shall slay the lamb in the place where he shall kill the sin offering

and the burnt offering, in the holy place: for as the sin offering is

the priest's, so is the trespass offering: it is most holy: 14:14 And

the priest shall take some of the blood of the trespass offering, and

the priest shall put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is

to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the

great toe of his right foot: 14:15 And the priest shall take some of

the log of oil, and pour it into the palm of his own left hand: 14:16

And the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that is in his

left hand, and shall sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times

before the LORD: 14:17 And of the rest of the oil that is in his hand

shall the priest put upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to

be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great

toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the trespass offering: 14:18

And the remnant of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall pour

upon the head of him that is to be cleansed: and the priest shall make

an atonement for him before the LORD.

14:19 And the priest shall offer the sin offering, and make an

atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his uncleanness; and

afterward he shall kill the burnt offering: 14:20 And the priest shall

offer the burnt offering and the meat offering upon the altar: and the

priest shall make an atonement for him, and he shall be clean.

14:21 And if he be poor, and cannot get so much; then he shall take

one lamb for a trespass offering to be waved, to make an atonement for

him, and one tenth deal of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat

offering, and a log of oil; 14:22 And two turtledoves, or two young

pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall be a sin

offering, and the other a burnt offering.

14:23 And he shall bring them on the eighth day for his cleansing unto

the priest, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,

before the LORD.

14:24 And the priest shall take the lamb of the trespass offering, and

the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them for a wave offering

before the LORD: 14:25 And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass

offering, and the priest shall take some of the blood of the trespass

offering, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to

be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great

toe of his right foot: 14:26 And the priest shall pour of the oil into

the palm of his own left hand: 14:27 And the priest shall sprinkle

with his right finger some of the oil that is in his left hand seven

times before the LORD: 14:28 And the priest shall put of the oil that

is in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be

cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe

of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the trespass

offering: 14:29 And the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand

he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make an

atonement for him before the LORD.

14:30 And he shall offer the one of the turtledoves, or of the young

pigeons, such as he can get; 14:31 Even such as he is able to get, the

one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering, with the

meat offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for him that is

to be cleansed before the LORD.

14:32 This is the law of him in whom is the plague of leprosy, whose

hand is not able to get that which pertaineth to his cleansing.

14:33 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 14:34 When

ye be come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a

possession, and I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of

your possession; 14:35 And he that owneth the house shall come and

tell the priest, saying, It seemeth to me there is as it were a plague

in the house: 14:36 Then the priest shall command that they empty the

house, before the priest go into it to see the plague, that all that

is in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go

in to see the house: 14:37 And he shall look on the plague, and,

behold, if the plague be in the walls of the house with hollow

strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight are lower than the wall;

14:38 Then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the

house, and shut up the house seven days: 14:39 And the priest shall

come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, if the plague

be spread in the walls of the house; 14:40 Then the priest shall

command that they take away the stones in which the plague is, and

they shall cast them into an unclean place without the city: 14:41 And

he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they

shall pour out the dust that they scrape off without the city into an

unclean place: 14:42 And they shall take other stones, and put them in

the place of those stones; and he shall take other morter, and shall

plaister the house.

14:43 And if the plague come again, and break out in the house, after

that he hath taken away the stones, and after he hath scraped the

house, and after it is plaistered; 14:44 Then the priest shall come

and look, and, behold, if the plague be spread in the house, it is a

fretting leprosy in the house; it is unclean.

14:45 And he shall break down the house, the stones of it, and the

timber thereof, and all the morter of the house; and he shall carry

them forth out of the city into an unclean place.

14:46 Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is

shut up shall be unclean until the even.

14:47 And he that lieth in the house shall wash his clothes; and he

that eateth in the house shall wash his clothes.

14:48 And if the priest shall come in, and look upon it, and, behold,

the plague hath not spread in the house, after the house was

plaistered: then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, because

the plague is healed.

14:49 And he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar

wood, and scarlet, and hyssop: 14:50 And he shall kill the one of the

birds in an earthen vessel over running water: 14:51 And he shall take

the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird,

and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water,

and sprinkle the house seven times: 14:52 And he shall cleanse the

house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, and with

the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and

with the scarlet: 14:53 But he shall let go the living bird out of the

city into the open fields, and make an atonement for the house: and it

shall be clean.

14:54 This is the law for all manner of plague of leprosy, and scall,

14:55 And for the leprosy of a garment, and of a house, 14:56 And for

a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot: 14:57 To teach when

it is unclean, and when it is clean: this is the law of leprosy.

15:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying, 15:2 Speak

unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man hath a

running issue out of his flesh, because of his issue he is unclean.

15:3 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh

run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it is his

uncleanness.

15:4 Every bed, whereon he lieth that hath the issue, is unclean: and

every thing, whereon he sitteth, shall be unclean.

15:5 And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe

himself in water, and be unclean until the even.

15:6 And he that sitteth on any thing whereon he sat that hath the

issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be

unclean until the even.

15:7 And he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall

wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the

even.

15:8 And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that is clean; then

he shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean

until the even.

15:9 And what saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall

be unclean.

15:10 And whosoever toucheth any thing that was under him shall be

unclean until the even: and he that beareth any of those things shall

wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the

even.

15:11 And whomsoever he toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not

rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe

himself in water, and be unclean until the even.

15:12 And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue,

shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.

15:13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he

shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his

clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.

15:14 And on the eighth day he shall take to him two turtledoves, or

two young pigeons, and come before the LORD unto the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation, and give them unto the priest: 15:15

And the priest shall offer them, the one for a sin offering, and the

other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for

him before the LORD for his issue.

15:16 And if any man's seed of copulation go out from him, then he

shall wash all his flesh in water, and be unclean until the even.

15:17 And every garment, and every skin, whereon is the seed of

copulation, shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the even.

15:18 The woman also with whom man shall lie with seed of copulation,

they shall both bathe themselves in water, and be unclean until the

even.

15:19 And if a woman have an issue, and her issue in her flesh be

blood, she shall be put apart seven days: and whosoever toucheth her

shall be unclean until the even.

15:20 And every thing that she lieth upon in her separation shall be

unclean: every thing also that she sitteth upon shall be unclean.

15:21 And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe

himself in water, and be unclean until the even.

15:22 And whosoever toucheth any thing that she sat upon shall wash

his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the

even.

15:23 And if it be on her bed, or on any thing whereon she sitteth,

when he toucheth it, he shall be unclean until the even.

15:24 And if any man lie with her at all, and her flowers be upon him,

he shall be unclean seven days; and all the bed whereon he lieth shall

be unclean.

15:25 And if a woman have an issue of her blood many days out of the

time of her separation, or if it run beyond the time of her

separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness shall be as

the days of her separation: she shall be unclean.

15:26 Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be

unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon

shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

15:27 And whosoever toucheth those things shall be unclean, and shall

wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the

even.

15:28 But if she be cleansed of her issue, then she shall number to

herself seven days, and after that she shall be clean.

15:29 And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or

two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation.

15:30 And the priest shall offer the one for a sin offering, and the

other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for

her before the LORD for the issue of her uncleanness.

15:31 Thus shall ye separate the children of Israel from their

uncleanness; that they die not in their uncleanness, when they defile

my tabernacle that is among them.

15:32 This is the law of him that hath an issue, and of him whose seed

goeth from him, and is defiled therewith; 15:33 And of her that is

sick of her flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, and of

the woman, and of him that lieth with her that is unclean.

16:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of

Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died; 16:2 And the LORD

said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all

times into the holy place within the vail before the mercy seat, which

is upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon

the mercy seat.

16:3 Thus shall Aaron come into the holy place: with a young bullock

for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.

16:4 He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen

breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and

with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these are holy garments;

therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and so put them on.

16:5 And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel

two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt

offering.

16:6 And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which is

for himself, and make an atonement for himself, and for his house.

16:7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD

at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

16:8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the

LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat.

16:9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD's lot fell,

and offer him for a sin offering.

16:10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall

be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, and

to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.

16:11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which is

for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his

house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which is for

himself: 16:12 And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of

fire from off the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet

incense beaten small, and bring it within the vail: 16:13 And he shall

put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the

incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the testimony, that he

die not: 16:14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and

sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before

the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven

times.

16:15 Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that is for the

people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as

he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy

seat, and before the mercy seat: 16:16 And he shall make an atonement

for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of

Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so

shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth

among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

16:17 And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation

when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come

out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household,

and for all the congregation of Israel.

16:18 And he shall go out unto the altar that is before the LORD, and

make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock,

and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the altar

round about.

16:19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven

times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the

children of Israel.

16:20 And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy place, and

the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the

live goat: 16:21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of

the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children

of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting

them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of

a fit man into the wilderness: 16:22 And the goat shall bear upon him

all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go

the goat in the wilderness.

16:23 And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation,

and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went

into the holy place, and shall leave them there: 16:24 And he shall

wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments,

and come forth, and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering

of the people, and make an atonement for himself, and for the people.

16:25 And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar.

16:26 And he that let go the goat for the scapegoat shall wash his

clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the

camp.

16:27 And the bullock for the sin offering, and the goat for the sin

offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy

place, shall one carry forth without the camp; and they shall burn in

the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung.

16:28 And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his

flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

16:29 And this shall be a statute for ever unto you: that in the

seventh month, on the tenth day of the month, ye shall afflict your

souls, and do no work at all, whether it be one of your own country,

or a stranger that sojourneth among you: 16:30 For on that day shall

the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be

clean from all your sins before the LORD.

16:31 It shall be a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict

your souls, by a statute for ever.

16:32 And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall

consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead,

shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, even the

holy garments: 16:33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy

sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the

congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an atonement for

the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.

16:34 And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an

atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins once a year.

And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

17:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 17:2 Speak unto Aaron, and

unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them;

This is the thing which the LORD hath commanded, saying, 17:3 What man

soever there be of the house of Israel, that killeth an ox, or lamb,

or goat, in the camp, or that killeth it out of the camp, 17:4 And

bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,

to offer an offering unto the LORD before the tabernacle of the LORD;

blood shall be imputed unto that man; he hath shed blood; and that man

shall be cut off from among his people: 17:5 To the end that the

children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they offer in the

open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door

of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest, and offer them

for peace offerings unto the LORD.

17:6 And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the

LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and burn the

fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

17:7 And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto devils, after

whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto

them throughout their generations.

17:8 And thou shalt say unto them, Whatsoever man there be of the

house of Israel, or of the strangers which sojourn among you, that

offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice, 17:9 And bringeth it not unto

the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer it unto the

LORD; even that man shall be cut off from among his people.

17:10 And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the

strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I

will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will

cut him off from among his people.

17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it

to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is

the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

17:12 Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you

shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you

eat blood.

17:13 And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the

strangers that sojourn among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast

or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof,

and cover it with dust.

17:14 For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life

thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat

the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh is the

blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.

17:15 And every soul that eateth that which died of itself, or that

which was torn with beasts, whether it be one of your own country, or

a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and bathe himself in

water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.

17:16 But if he wash them not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear

his iniquity.

18:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 18:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the LORD your God.

18:3 After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye

not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring

you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances.

18:4 Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk

therein: I am the LORD your God.

18:5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a

man do, he shall live in them: I am the LORD.

18:6 None of you shall approach to any that is near of kin to him, to

uncover their nakedness: I am the LORD.

18:7 The nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother,

shalt thou not uncover: she is thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her

nakedness.

18:8 The nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it is

thy father's nakedness.

18:9 The nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or

daughter of thy mother, whether she be born at home, or born abroad,

even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.

18:10 The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's

daughter, even their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs is

thine own nakedness.

18:11 The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy

father, she is thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

18:12 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she

is thy father's near kinswoman.

18:13 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for

she is thy mother's near kinswoman.

18:14 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother,

thou shalt not approach to his wife: she is thine aunt.

18:15 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she

is thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

18:16 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it

is thy brother's nakedness.

18:17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her

daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her

daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; for they are her near

kinswomen: it is wickedness.

18:18 Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister, to vex her, to

uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time.

18:19 Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her

nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.

18:20 Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife,

to defile thyself with her.

18:21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through the fire to

Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I am the LORD.

18:22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is

abomination.

18:23 Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself

therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down

thereto: it is confusion.

18:24 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all

these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you: 18:25 And

the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon

it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.

18:26 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall

not commit any of these abominations; neither any of your own nation,

nor any stranger that sojourneth among you: 18:27 (For all these

abominations have the men of the land done, which were before you, and

the land is defiled;) 18:28 That the land spue not you out also, when

ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that were before you.

18:29 For whosoever shall commit any of these abominations, even the

souls that commit them shall be cut off from among their people.

18:30 Therefore shall ye keep mine ordinance, that ye commit not any

one of these abominable customs, which were committed before you, and

that ye defile not yourselves therein: I am the LORD your God.

19:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 19:2 Speak unto all the

congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be

holy: for I the LORD your God am holy.

19:3 Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my

sabbaths: I am the LORD your God.

19:4 Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am

the LORD your God.

19:5 And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye

shall offer it at your own will.

19:6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow:

and if ought remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the

fire.

19:7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it is abominable; it

shall not be accepted.

19:8 Therefore every one that eateth it shall bear his iniquity,

because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul

shall be cut off from among his people.

19:9 And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly

reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings

of thy harvest.

19:10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather

every grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and

stranger: I am the LORD your God.

19:11 Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to

another.

19:12 And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou

profane the name of thy God: I am the LORD.

19:13 Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob him: the wages

of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the

morning.

19:14 Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before

the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I am the LORD.

19:15 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not

respect the person of the poor, nor honor the person of the mighty:

but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.

19:16 Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people:

neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour; I am the

LORD.

19:17 Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in

any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

19:18 Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children

of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I am the

LORD.

19:19 Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender

with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed:

neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.

19:20 And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that is a bondmaid,

betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given

her; she shall be scourged; they shall not be put to death, because

she was not free.

19:21 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the

door of the tabernacle of the congregation, even a ram for a trespass

offering.

19:22 And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of

the trespass offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath done:

and the sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him.

19:23 And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all

manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as

uncircumcised: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it

shall not be eaten of.

19:24 But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be holy to

praise the LORD withal.

19:25 And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it

may yield unto you the increase thereof: I am the LORD your God.

19:26 Ye shall not eat any thing with the blood: neither shall ye use

enchantment, nor observe times.

19:27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou

mar the corners of thy beard.

19:28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor

print any marks upon you: I am the LORD.

19:29 Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest

the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.

19:30 Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the

LORD.

19:31 Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after

wizards, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God.

19:32 Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of

the old man, and fear thy God: I am the LORD.

19:33 And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not

vex him.

19:34 But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one

born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were

strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

19:35 Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in

weight, or in measure.

19:36 Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall

ye have: I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of

Egypt.

19:37 Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my

judgments, and do them: I am the LORD.

20:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 20:2 Again, thou shalt say

to the children of Israel, Whosoever he be of the children of Israel,

or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth any of his

seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the

land shall stone him with stones.

20:3 And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off

from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech,

to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name.

20:4 And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from

the man, when he giveth of his seed unto Molech, and kill him not:

20:5 Then I will set my face against that man, and against his family,

and will cut him off, and all that go a whoring after him, to commit

whoredom with Molech, from among their people.

20:6 And the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits,

and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face

against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.

20:7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I am the LORD

your God.

20:8 And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I am the LORD which

sanctify you.

20:9 For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be

surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his

blood shall be upon him.

20:10 And the man that committeth adultery with another man's wife,

even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the

adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.

20:11 And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his

father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their

blood shall be upon them.

20:12 And if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall

surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their blood shall

be upon them.

20:13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both

of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to

death; their blood shall be upon them.

20:14 And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they

shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no

wickedness among you.

20:15 And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death:

and ye shall slay the beast.

20:16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto,

thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to

death; their blood shall be upon them.

20:17 And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or

his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his

nakedness; it is a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the

sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he

shall bear his iniquity.

20:18 And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and

shall uncover her nakedness; he hath discovered her fountain, and she

hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be

cut off from among their people.

20:19 And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister,

nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall

bear their iniquity.

20:20 And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered

his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die

childless.

20:21 And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it is an unclean

thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be

childless.

20:22 Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments,

and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue

you not out.

20:23 And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast

out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I

abhorred them.

20:24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I

will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and

honey: I am the LORD your God, which have separated you from other

people.

20:25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and

unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make

your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living

thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as

unclean.

20:26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD am holy, and have

severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

20:27 A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a

wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with

stones: their blood shall be upon them.

21:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto the priests the sons of

Aaron, and say unto them, There shall none be defiled for the dead

among his people: 21:2 But for his kin, that is near unto him, that

is, for his mother, and for his father, and for his son, and for his

daughter, and for his brother.

21:3 And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath

had no husband; for her may he be defiled.

21:4 But he shall not defile himself, being a chief man among his

people, to profane himself.

21:5 They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they

shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their

flesh.

21:6 They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of

their God: for the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and the bread

of their God, they do offer: therefore they shall be holy.

21:7 They shall not take a wife that is a whore, or profane; neither

shall they take a woman put away from her husband: for he is holy unto

his God.

21:8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore; for he offereth the bread of

thy God: he shall be holy unto thee: for I the LORD, which sanctify

you, am holy.

21:9 And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing

the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

21:10 And he that is the high priest among his brethren, upon whose

head the anointing oil was poured, and that is consecrated to put on

the garments, shall not uncover his head, nor rend his clothes; 21:11

Neither shall he go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his

father, or for his mother; 21:12 Neither shall he go out of the

sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the crown of the

anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am the LORD.

21:13 And he shall take a wife in her virginity.

21:14 A widow, or a divorced woman, or profane, or an harlot, these

shall he not take: but he shall take a virgin of his own people to

wife.

21:15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people: for I the

LORD do sanctify him.

21:16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 21:17 Speak unto Aaron,

saying, Whosoever he be of thy seed in their generations that hath any

blemish, let him not approach to offer the bread of his God.

21:18 For whatsoever man he be that hath a blemish, he shall not

approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a flat nose, or any

thing superfluous, 21:19 Or a man that is brokenfooted, or

brokenhanded, 21:20 Or crookbackt, or a dwarf, or that hath a blemish

in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken; 21:21

No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest shall come

nigh to offer the offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a

blemish; he shall not come nigh to offer the bread of his God.

21:22 He shall eat the bread of his God, both of the most holy, and of

the holy.

21:23 Only he shall not go in unto the vail, nor come nigh unto the

altar, because he hath a blemish; that he profane not my sanctuaries:

for I the LORD do sanctify them.

21:24 And Moses told it unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the

children of Israel.

22:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 22:2 Speak unto Aaron and

to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the

children of Israel, and that they profane not my holy name in those

things which they hallow unto me: I am the LORD.

22:3 Say unto them, Whosoever he be of all your seed among your

generations, that goeth unto the holy things, which the children of

Israel hallow unto the LORD, having his uncleanness upon him, that

soul shall be cut off from my presence: I am the LORD.

22:4 What man soever of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or hath a

running issue; he shall not eat of the holy things, until he be clean.

And whoso toucheth any thing that is unclean by the dead, or a man

whose seed goeth from him; 22:5 Or whosoever toucheth any creeping

thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a man of whom he may take

uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he hath; 22:6 The soul which hath

touched any such shall be unclean until even, and shall not eat of the

holy things, unless he wash his flesh with water.

22:7 And when the sun is down, he shall be clean, and shall afterward

eat of the holy things; because it is his food.

22:8 That which dieth of itself, or is torn with beasts, he shall not

eat to defile himself therewith; I am the LORD.

22:9 They shall therefore keep mine ordinance, lest they bear sin for

it, and die therefore, if they profane it: I the LORD do sanctify

them.

22:10 There shall no stranger eat of the holy thing: a sojourner of

the priest, or an hired servant, shall not eat of the holy thing.

22:11 But if the priest buy any soul with his money, he shall eat of

it, and he that is born in his house: they shall eat of his meat.

22:12 If the priest's daughter also be married unto a stranger, she

may not eat of an offering of the holy things.

22:13 But if the priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have

no child, and is returned unto her father's house, as in her youth,

she shall eat of her father's meat: but there shall be no stranger eat

thereof.

22:14 And if a man eat of the holy thing unwittingly, then he shall

put the fifth part thereof unto it, and shall give it unto the priest

with the holy thing.

22:15 And they shall not profane the holy things of the children of

Israel, which they offer unto the LORD; 22:16 Or suffer them to bear

the iniquity of trespass, when they eat their holy things: for I the

LORD do sanctify them.

22:17 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 22:18 Speak unto Aaron,

and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto

them, Whatsoever he be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in

Israel, that will offer his oblation for all his vows, and for all his

freewill offerings, which they will offer unto the LORD for a burnt

offering; 22:19 Ye shall offer at your own will a male without

blemish, of the beeves, of the sheep, or of the goats.

22:20 But whatsoever hath a blemish, that shall ye not offer: for it

shall not be acceptable for you.

22:21 And whosoever offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the

LORD to accomplish his vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or sheep,

it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein.

22:22 Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or

scabbed, ye shall not offer these unto the LORD, nor make an offering

by fire of them upon the altar unto the LORD.

22:23 Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or

lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer for a freewill offering;

but for a vow it shall not be accepted.

22:24 Ye shall not offer unto the LORD that which is bruised, or

crushed, or broken, or cut; neither shall ye make any offering thereof

in your land.

22:25 Neither from a stranger's hand shall ye offer the bread of your

God of any of these; because their corruption is in them, and

blemishes be in them: they shall not be accepted for you.

22:26 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 22:27 When a bullock, or

a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days

under the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth it shall be

accepted for an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

22:28 And whether it be cow, or ewe, ye shall not kill it and her

young both in one day.

22:29 And when ye will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the

LORD, offer it at your own will.

22:30 On the same day it shall be eaten up; ye shall leave none of it

until the morrow: I am the LORD.

22:31 Therefore shall ye keep my commandments, and do them: I am the

LORD.

22:32 Neither shall ye profane my holy name; but I will be hallowed

among the children of Israel: I am the LORD which hallow you, 22:33

That brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the

LORD.

23:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 23:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of the

LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are

my feasts.

23:3 Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath

of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein: it is the

sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.

23:4 These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which

ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

23:5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's

passover.

23:6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of

unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened

bread.

23:7 In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do

no servile work therein.

23:8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven

days: in the seventh day is an holy convocation: ye shall do no

servile work therein.

23:9 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 23:10 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land

which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye

shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the

priest: 23:11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be

accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall

wave it.

23:12 And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb

without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.

23:13 And the meat offering thereof shall be two tenth deals of fine

flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD for a

sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof shall be of wine, the

fourth part of an hin.

23:14 And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green

ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto

your God: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations

in all your dwellings.

23:15 And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath,

from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven

sabbaths shall be complete: 23:16 Even unto the morrow after the

seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new

meat offering unto the LORD.

23:17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two

tenth deals; they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baken with

leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

23:18 And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of

the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be for

a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meat offering, and their

drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of sweet savour unto

the LORD.

23:19 Then ye shall sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering,

and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.

23:20 And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits

for a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be

holy to the LORD for the priest.

23:21 And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, that it may be an

holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work therein: it

shall be a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your

generations.

23:22 And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make

clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither

shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them

unto the poor, and to the stranger: I am the LORD your God.

23:23 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 23:24 Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of

the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets,

an holy convocation.

23:25 Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an

offering made by fire unto the LORD.

23:26 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 23:27 Also on the tenth

day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall

be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and

offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

23:28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of

atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God.

23:29 For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that

same day, he shall be cut off from among his people.

23:30 And whatsoever soul it be that doeth any work in that same day,

the same soul will I destroy from among his people.

23:31 Ye shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever

throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

23:32 It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict

your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto

even, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.

23:33 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 23:34 Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month

shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the LORD.

23:35 On the first day shall be an holy convocation: ye shall do no

servile work therein.

23:36 Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the

LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye

shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a solemn

assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein.

23:37 These are the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be

holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a

burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings,

every thing upon his day: 23:38 Beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and

beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your

freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.

23:39 Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have

gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD

seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day

shall be a sabbath.

23:40 And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly

trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and

willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God

seven days.

23:41 And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the

year.

It shall be a statute for ever in your generations: ye shall celebrate

it in the seventh month.

23:42 Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites

born shall dwell in booths: 23:43 That your generations may know that

I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them

out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

23:44 And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the feasts of the

LORD.

24:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 24:2 Command the children

of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the

light, to cause the lamps to burn continually.

24:3 Without the vail of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the

congregation, shall Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning

before the LORD continually: it shall be a statute for ever in your

generations.

24:4 He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the

LORD continually.

24:5 And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof:

two tenth deals shall be in one cake.

24:6 And thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure

table before the LORD.

24:7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon each row, that it may

be on the bread for a memorial, even an offering made by fire unto the

LORD.

24:8 Every sabbath he shall set it in order before the LORD

continually, being taken from the children of Israel by an everlasting

covenant.

24:9 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons'; and they shall eat it in

the holy place: for it is most holy unto him of the offerings of the

LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.

24:10 And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father was an

Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel: and this son of the

Israelitish woman and a man of Israel strove together in the camp;

24:11 And the Israelitish woman's son blasphemed the name of the Lord,

and cursed. And they brought him unto Moses: (and his mother's name

was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan:) 24:12 And

they put him in ward, that the mind of the LORD might be shewed them.

24:13 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 24:14 Bring forth him

that hath cursed without the camp; and let all that heard him lay

their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him.

24:15 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying,

Whosoever curseth his God shall bear his sin.

24:16 And he that blasphemeth the name of the LORD, he shall surely be

put to death, and all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as

well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he blasphemeth

the name of the Lord, shall be put to death.

24:17 And he that killeth any man shall surely be put to death.

24:18 And he that killeth a beast shall make it good; beast for beast.

24:19 And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as he hath done,

so shall it be done to him; 24:20 Breach for breach, eye for eye,

tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be

done to him again.

24:21 And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that

killeth a man, he shall be put to death.

24:22 Ye shall have one manner of law, as well for the stranger, as

for one of your own country: for I am the LORD your God.

24:23 And Moses spake to the children of Israel, that they should

bring forth him that had cursed out of the camp, and stone him with

stones. And the children of Israel did as the LORD commanded Moses.

25:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying, 25:2 Speak

unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the

land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto the

LORD.

25:3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt

prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof; 25:4 But in the

seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for

the LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.

25:5 That which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt

not reap, neither gather the grapes of thy vine undressed: for it is a

year of rest unto the land.

25:6 And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and

for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for

thy stranger that sojourneth with thee.

25:7 And for thy cattle, and for the beast that are in thy land, shall

all the increase thereof be meat.

25:8 And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven

times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall

be unto thee forty and nine years.

25:9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the

tenth day of the seventh month, in the day of atonement shall ye make

the trumpet sound throughout all your land.

25:10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty

throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be

a jubile unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession,

and ye shall return every man unto his family.

25:11 A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye shall not sow,

neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather the grapes

in it of thy vine undressed.

25:12 For it is the jubile; it shall be holy unto you: ye shall eat

the increase thereof out of the field.

25:13 In the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his

possession.

25:14 And if thou sell ought unto thy neighbour, or buyest ought of

thy neighbour's hand, ye shall not oppress one another: 25:15

According to the number of years after the jubile thou shalt buy of

thy neighbour, and according unto the number of years of the fruits he

shall sell unto thee: 25:16 According to the multitude of years thou

shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of

years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for according to the number

of the years of the fruits doth he sell unto thee.

25:17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear

thy God:for I am the LORD your God.

25:18 Wherefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do

them; and ye shall dwell in the land in safety.

25:19 And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill,

and dwell therein in safety.

25:20 And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? behold,

we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase: 25:21 Then I will

command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring

forth fruit for three years.

25:22 And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat yet of old fruit until

the ninth year; until her fruits come in ye shall eat of the old

store.

25:23 The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land is mine, for

ye are strangers and sojourners with me.

25:24 And in all the land of your possession ye shall grant a

redemption for the land.

25:25 If thy brother be waxen poor, and hath sold away some of his

possession, and if any of his kin come to redeem it, then shall he

redeem that which his brother sold.

25:26 And if the man have none to redeem it, and himself be able to

redeem it; 25:27 Then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and

restore the overplus unto the man to whom he sold it; that he may

return unto his possession.

25:28 But if he be not able to restore it to him, then that which is

sold shall remain in the hand of him that hath bought it until the

year of jubile: and in the jubile it shall go out, and he shall return

unto his possession.

25:29 And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may

redeem it within a whole year after it is sold; within a full year may

he redeem it.

25:30 And if it be not redeemed within the space of a full year, then

the house that is in the walled city shall be established for ever to

him that bought it throughout his generations: it shall not go out in

the jubile.

25:31 But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about

them shall be counted as the fields of the country: they may be

redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.

25:32 Notwithstanding the cities of the Levites, and the houses of the

cities of their possession, may the Levites redeem at any time.

25:33 And if a man purchase of the Levites, then the house that was

sold, and the city of his possession, shall go out in the year of

jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites are their

possession among the children of Israel.

25:34 But the field of the suburbs of their cities may not be sold;

for it is their perpetual possession.

25:35 And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee;

then thou shalt relieve him: yea, though he be a stranger, or a

sojourner; that he may live with thee.

25:36 Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that

thy brother may live with thee.

25:37 Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy

victuals for increase.

25:38 I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land

of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, and to be your God.

25:39 And if thy brother that dwelleth by thee be waxen poor, and be

sold unto thee; thou shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant:

25:40 But as an hired servant, and as a sojourner, he shall be with

thee, and shall serve thee unto the year of jubile.

25:41 And then shall he depart from thee, both he and his children

with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the

possession of his fathers shall he return.

25:42 For they are my servants, which I brought forth out of the land

of Egypt: they shall not be sold as bondmen.

25:43 Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy

God.

25:44 Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have,

shall be of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ye buy

bondmen and bondmaids.

25:45 Moreover of the children of the strangers that do sojourn among

you, of them shall ye buy, and of their families that are with you,

which they begat in your land: and they shall be your possession.

25:46 And ye shall take them as an inheritance for your children after

you, to inherit them for a possession; they shall be your bondmen for

ever: but over your brethren the children of Israel, ye shall not rule

one over another with rigour.

25:47 And if a sojourner or stranger wax rich by thee, and thy brother

that dwelleth by him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger or

sojourner by thee, or to the stock of the stranger's family: 25:48

After that he is sold he may be redeemed again; one of his brethren

may redeem him: 25:49 Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem

him, or any that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him;

or if he be able, he may redeem himself.

25:50 And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that

he was sold to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale

shall be according unto the number of years, according to the time of

an hired servant shall it be with him.

25:51 If there be yet many years behind, according unto them he shall

give again the price of his redemption out of the money that he was

bought for.

25:52 And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubile, then

he shall count with him, and according unto his years shall he give

him again the price of his redemption.

25:53 And as a yearly hired servant shall he be with him: and the

other shall not rule with rigour over him in thy sight.

25:54 And if he be not redeemed in these years, then he shall go out

in the year of jubile, both he, and his children with him.

25:55 For unto me the children of Israel are servants; they are my

servants whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD

your God.

26:1 Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up

a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your

land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God.

26:2 Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the

LORD.

26:3 If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them;

26:4 Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield

her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

26:5 And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage

shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the

full, and dwell in your land safely.

26:6 And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and

none shall make you afraid: and I will rid evil beasts out of the

land, neither shall the sword go through your land.

26:7 And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you

by the sword.

26:8 And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you

shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before

you by the sword.

26:9 For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and

multiply you, and establish my covenant with you.

26:10 And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of

the new.

26:11 And I set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor

you.

26:12 And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be

my people.

26:13 I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land

of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the

bands of your yoke, and made you go upright.

26:14 But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these

commandments; 26:15 And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your

soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments,

but that ye break my covenant: 26:16 I also will do this unto you; I

will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague,

that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall

sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

26:17 And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before

your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall

flee when none pursueth you.

26:18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will

punish you seven times more for your sins.

26:19 And I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your

heaven as iron, and your earth as brass: 26:20 And your strength shall

be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase, neither

shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.

26:21 And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I

will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

26:22 I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of

your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number;

and your high ways shall be desolate.

26:23 And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will

walk contrary unto me; 26:24 Then will I also walk contrary unto you,

and will punish you yet seven times for your sins.

26:25 And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel

of my covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities,

I will send the pestilence among you; and ye shall be delivered into

the hand of the enemy.

26:26 And when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten women shall

bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver you your bread

again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.

26:27 And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk

contrary unto me; 26:28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also in

fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins.

26:29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your

daughters shall ye eat.

26:30 And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images,

and cast your carcases upon the carcases of your idols, and my soul

shall abhor you.

26:31 And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries

unto desolation, and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours.

26:32 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies

which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

26:33 And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a

sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities

waste.

26:34 Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth

desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land

rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.

26:35 As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not

rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it.

26:36 And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness

into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a

shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a

sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.

26:37 And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword,

when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your

enemies.

26:38 And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your

enemies shall eat you up.

26:39 And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity

in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers

shall they pine away with them.

26:40 If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their

fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and

that also they have walked contrary unto me; 26:41 And that I also

have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of

their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they

then accept of the punishment of their iniquity: 26:42 Then will I

remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and

also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the

land.

26:43 The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her

sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept

of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they

despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.

26:44 And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies,

I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them

utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their

God.

26:45 But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their

ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight

of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the LORD.

26:46 These are the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD

made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand

of Moses.

27:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 27:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, When a man shall make a

singular vow, the persons shall be for the LORD by thy estimation.

27:3 And thy estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old

even unto sixty years old, even thy estimation shall be fifty shekels

of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary.

27:4 And if it be a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty

shekels.

27:5 And if it be from five years old even unto twenty years old, then

thy estimation shall be of the male twenty shekels, and for the female

ten shekels.

27:6 And if it be from a month old even unto five years old, then thy

estimation shall be of the male five shekels of silver, and for the

female thy estimation shall be three shekels of silver.

27:7 And if it be from sixty years old and above; if it be a male,

then thy estimation shall be fifteen shekels, and for the female ten

shekels.

27:8 But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present

himself before the priest, and the priest shall value him; according

to his ability that vowed shall the priest value him.

27:9 And if it be a beast, whereof men bring an offering unto the

LORD, all that any man giveth of such unto the LORD shall be holy.

27:10 He shall not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or a bad

for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then it and

the exchange thereof shall be holy.

27:11 And if it be any unclean beast, of which they do not offer a

sacrifice unto the LORD, then he shall present the beast before the

priest: 27:12 And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or

bad: as thou valuest it, who art the priest, so shall it be.

27:13 But if he will at all redeem it, then he shall add a fifth part

thereof unto thy estimation.

27:14 And when a man shall sanctify his house to be holy unto the

LORD, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as

the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand.

27:15 And if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he

shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and

it shall be his.

27:16 And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD some part of a field

of his possession, then thy estimation shall be according to the seed

thereof: an homer of barley seed shall be valued at fifty shekels of

silver.

27:17 If he sanctify his field from the year of jubile, according to

thy estimation it shall stand.

27:18 But if he sanctify his field after the jubile, then the priest

shall reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain,

even unto the year of the jubile, and it shall be abated from thy

estimation.

27:19 And if he that sanctified the field will in any wise redeem it,

then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto

it, and it shall be assured to him.

27:20 And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the

field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more.

27:21 But the field, when it goeth out in the jubile, shall be holy

unto the LORD, as a field devoted; the possession thereof shall be the

priest's.

27:22 And if a man sanctify unto the LORD a field which he hath

bought, which is not of the fields of his possession; 27:23 Then the

priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, even unto

the year of the jubile: and he shall give thine estimation in that

day, as a holy thing unto the LORD.

27:24 In the year of the jubile the field shall return unto him of

whom it was bought, even to him to whom the possession of the land did

belong.

27:25 And all thy estimations shall be according to the shekel of the

sanctuary: twenty gerahs shall be the shekel.

27:26 Only the firstling of the beasts, which should be the LORD's

firstling, no man shall sanctify it; whether it be ox, or sheep: it is

the LORD's.

27:27 And if it be of an unclean beast, then he shall redeem it

according to thine estimation, and shall add a fifth part of it

thereto: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to

thy estimation.

27:28 Notwithstanding no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto

the LORD of all that he hath, both of man and beast, and of the field

of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: every devoted thing is

most holy unto the LORD.

27:29 None devoted, which shall be devoted of men, shall be redeemed;

but shall surely be put to death.

27:30 And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land,

or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's: it is holy unto the LORD.

27:31 And if a man will at all redeem ought of his tithes, he shall

add thereto the fifth part thereof.

27:32 And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of

whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the

LORD.

27:33 He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he

change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change

thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.

27:34 These are the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for

the children of Israel in mount Sinai.

The Fourth Book of Moses: Called Numbers

1:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the

tabernacle of the congregation, on the first day of the second month,

in the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt,

saying, 1:2 Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of

Israel, after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the

number of their names, every male by their polls; 1:3 From twenty

years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel:

thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies.

1:4 And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; every one head

of the house of his fathers.

1:5 And these are the names of the men that shall stand with you: of

the tribe of Reuben; Elizur the son of Shedeur.

1:6 Of Simeon; Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

1:7 Of Judah; Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

1:8 Of Issachar; Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

1:9 Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.

1:10 Of the children of Joseph: of Ephraim; Elishama the son of

Ammihud: of Manasseh; Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

1:11 Of Benjamin; Abidan the son of Gideoni.

1:12 Of Dan; Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

1:13 Of Asher; Pagiel the son of Ocran.

1:14 Of Gad; Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

1:15 Of Naphtali; Ahira the son of Enan.

1:16 These were the renowned of the congregation, princes of the

tribes of their fathers, heads of thousands in Israel.

1:17 And Moses and Aaron took these men which are expressed by their

names: 1:18 And they assembled all the congregation together on the

first day of the second month, and they declared their pedigrees after

their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number

of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls.

1:19 As the LORD commanded Moses, so he numbered them in the

wilderness of Sinai.

1:20 And the children of Reuben, Israel's eldest son, by their

generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers,

according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from

twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

1:21 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe of Reuben,

were forty and six thousand and five hundred.

1:22 Of the children of Simeon, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, those that were numbered of

them, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male

from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to

war; 1:23 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe of

Simeon, were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.

1:24 Of the children of Gad, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:25 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Gad, were forty and five thousand six hundred and fifty.

1:26 Of the children of Judah, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:27 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Judah, were threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

1:28 Of the children of Issachar, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:29 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Issachar, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred.

1:30 Of the children of Zebulun, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:31 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Zebulun, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.

1:32 Of the children of Joseph, namely, of the children of Ephraim, by

their generations, after their families, by the house of their

fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old

and upward, all that were able to go forth to war; 1:33 Those that

were numbered of them, even of the tribe of Ephraim, were forty

thousand and five hundred.

1:34 Of the children of Manasseh, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:35 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Manasseh, were thirty and two thousand and two hundred.

1:36 Of the children of Benjamin, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:37 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Benjamin, were thirty and five thousand and four hundred.

1:38 Of the children of Dan, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:39 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Dan, were threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

1:40 Of the children of Asher, by their generations, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of

the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go

forth to war; 1:41 Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe

of Asher, were forty and one thousand and five hundred.

1:42 Of the children of Naphtali, throughout their generations, after

their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number

of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to

go forth to war; 1:43 Those that were numbered of them, even of the

tribe of Naphtali, were fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

1:44 These are those that were numbered, which Moses and Aaron

numbered, and the princes of Israel, being twelve men: each one was

for the house of his fathers.

1:45 So were all those that were numbered of the children of Israel,

by the house of their fathers, from twenty years old and upward, all

that were able to go forth to war in Israel; 1:46 Even all they that

were numbered were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five

hundred and fifty.

1:47 But the Levites after the tribe of their fathers were not

numbered among them.

1:48 For the LORD had spoken unto Moses, saying, 1:49 Only thou shalt

not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the

children of Israel: 1:50 But thou shalt appoint the Levites over the

tabernacle of testimony, and over all the vessels thereof, and over

all things that belong to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and all

the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp

round about the tabernacle.

1:51 And when the tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites shall take

it down: and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall

set it up: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

1:52 And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by

his own camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their

hosts.

1:53 But the Levites shall pitch round about the tabernacle of

testimony, that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the

children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge of the

tabernacle of testimony.

1:54 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD

commanded Moses, so did they.

2:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 2:2 Every

man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with

the ensign of their father's house: far off about the tabernacle of

the congregation shall they pitch.

2:3 And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of

the standard of the camp of Judah pitch throughout their armies: and

Nahshon the son of Amminadab shall be captain of the children of

Judah.

2:4 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were

threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

2:5 And those that do pitch next unto him shall be the tribe of

Issachar: and Nethaneel the son of Zuar shall be captain of the

children of Issachar.

2:6 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and

four thousand and four hundred.

2:7 Then the tribe of Zebulun: and Eliab the son of Helon shall be

captain of the children of Zebulun.

2:8 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and

seven thousand and four hundred.

2:9 All that were numbered in the camp of Judah were an hundred

thousand and fourscore thousand and six thousand and four hundred,

throughout their armies. These shall first set forth.

2:10 On the south side shall be the standard of the camp of Reuben

according to their armies: and the captain of the children of Reuben

shall be Elizur the son of Shedeur.

2:11 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were forty

and six thousand and five hundred.

2:12 And those which pitch by him shall be the tribe of Simeon: and

the captain of the children of Simeon shall be Shelumiel the son of

Zurishaddai.

2:13 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty

and nine thousand and three hundred.

2:14 Then the tribe of Gad: and the captain of the sons of Gad shall

be Eliasaph the son of Reuel.

2:15 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty

and five thousand and six hundred and fifty.

2:16 All that were numbered in the camp of Reuben were an hundred

thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty,

throughout their armies. And they shall set forth in the second rank.

2:17 Then the tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with

the camp of the Levites in the midst of the camp: as they encamp, so

shall they set forward, every man in his place by their standards.

2:18 On the west side shall be the standard of the camp of Ephraim

according to their armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim

shall be Elishama the son of Ammihud.

2:19 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty

thousand and five hundred.

2:20 And by him shall be the tribe of Manasseh: and the captain of the

children of Manasseh shall be Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

2:21 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty

and two thousand and two hundred.

2:22 Then the tribe of Benjamin: and the captain of the sons of

Benjamin shall be Abidan the son of Gideoni.

2:23 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty

and five thousand and four hundred.

2:24 All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim were an hundred

thousand and eight thousand and an hundred, throughout their armies.

And they shall go forward in the third rank.

2:25 The standard of the camp of Dan shall be on the north side by

their armies: and the captain of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer

the son of Ammishaddai.

2:26 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were

threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

2:27 And those that encamp by him shall be the tribe of Asher: and the

captain of the children of Asher shall be Pagiel the son of Ocran.

2:28 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty

and one thousand and five hundred.

2:29 Then the tribe of Naphtali: and the captain of the children of

Naphtali shall be Ahira the son of Enan.

2:30 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty

and three thousand and four hundred.

2:31 All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan were an hundred

thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall go

hindmost with their standards.

2:32 These are those which were numbered of the children of Israel by

the house of their fathers: all those that were numbered of the camps

throughout their hosts were six hundred thousand and three thousand

and five hundred and fifty.

2:33 But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel;

as the LORD commanded Moses.

2:34 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD

commanded Moses: so they pitched by their standards, and so they set

forward, every one after their families, according to the house of

their fathers.

3:1 These also are the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day that

the LORD spake with Moses in mount Sinai.

3:2 And these are the names of the sons of Aaron; Nadab the firstborn,

and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

3:3 These are the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests which were

anointed, whom he consecrated to minister in the priest's office.

3:4 And Nadab and Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered

strange fire before the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had

no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office

in the sight of Aaron their father.

3:5 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 3:6 Bring the tribe of Levi

near, and present them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister

unto him.

3:7 And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole

congregation before the tabernacle of the congregation, to do the

service of the tabernacle.

3:8 And they shall keep all the instruments of the tabernacle of the

congregation, and the charge of the children of Israel, to do the

service of the tabernacle.

3:9 And thou shalt give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they

are wholly given unto him out of the children of Israel.

3:10 And thou shalt appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall wait on

their priest's office: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put

to death.

3:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 3:12 And I, behold, I have

taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all the

firstborn that openeth the matrix among the children of Israel:

therefore the Levites shall be mine; 3:13 Because all the firstborn

are mine; for on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of

Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and

beast: mine shall they be: I am the LORD.

3:14 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,

3:15 Number the children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by

their families: every male from a month old and upward shalt thou

number them.

3:16 And Moses numbered them according to the word of the LORD, as he

was commanded.

3:17 And these were the sons of Levi by their names; Gershon, and

Kohath, and Merari.

3:18 And these are the names of the sons of Gershon by their families;

Libni, and Shimei.

3:19 And the sons of Kohath by their families; Amram, and Izehar,

Hebron, and Uzziel.

3:20 And the sons of Merari by their families; Mahli, and Mushi. These

are the families of the Levites according to the house of their

fathers.

3:21 Of Gershon was the family of the Libnites, and the family of the

Shimites: these are the families of the Gershonites.

3:22 Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all

the males, from a month old and upward, even those that were numbered

of them were seven thousand and five hundred.

3:23 The families of the Gershonites shall pitch behind the tabernacle

westward.

3:24 And the chief of the house of the father of the Gershonites shall

be Eliasaph the son of Lael.

3:25 And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the

congregation shall be the tabernacle, and the tent, the covering

thereof, and the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation, 3:26 And the hangings of the court, and the curtain for

the door of the court, which is by the tabernacle, and by the altar

round about, and the cords of it for all the service thereof.

3:27 And of Kohath was the family of the Amramites, and the family of

the Izeharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of

the Uzzielites: these are the families of the Kohathites.

3:28 In the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, were

eight thousand and six hundred, keeping the charge of the sanctuary.

3:29 The families of the sons of Kohath shall pitch on the side of the

tabernacle southward.

3:30 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the

Kohathites shall be Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

3:31 And their charge shall be the ark, and the table, and the

candlestick, and the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary

wherewith they minister, and the hanging, and all the service thereof.

3:32 And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest shall be chief over the

chief of the Levites, and have the oversight of them that keep the

charge of the sanctuary.

3:33 Of Merari was the family of the Mahlites, and the family of the

Mushites: these are the families of Merari.

3:34 And those that were numbered of them, according to the number of

all the males, from a month old and upward, were six thousand and two

hundred.

3:35 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of

Merari was Zuriel the son of Abihail: these shall pitch on the side of

the tabernacle northward.

3:36 And under the custody and charge of the sons of Merari shall be

the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars

thereof, and the sockets thereof, and all the vessels thereof, and all

that serveth thereto, 3:37 And the pillars of the court round about,

and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords.

3:38 But those that encamp before the tabernacle toward the east, even

before the tabernacle of the congregation eastward, shall be Moses,

and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the

charge of the children of Israel; and the stranger that cometh nigh

shall be put to death.

3:39 All that were numbered of the Levites, which Moses and Aaron

numbered at the commandment of the LORD, throughout their families,

all the males from a month old and upward, were twenty and two

thousand.

3:40 And the LORD said unto Moses, Number all the firstborn of the

males of the children of Israel from a month old and upward, and take

the number of their names.

3:41 And thou shalt take the Levites for me (I am the LORD) instead of

all the firstborn among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the

Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children

of Israel.

3:42 And Moses numbered, as the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn

among the children of Israel.

3:43 And all the firstborn males by the number of names, from a month

old and upward, of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and

two thousand two hundred and threescore and thirteen.

3:44 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 3:45 Take the Levites

instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the

cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle; and the Levites shall

be mine: I am the LORD.

3:46 And for those that are to be redeemed of the two hundred and

threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the children of Israel,

which are more than the Levites; 3:47 Thou shalt even take five

shekels apiece by the poll, after the shekel of the sanctuary shalt

thou take them: (the shekel is twenty gerahs:) 3:48 And thou shalt

give the money, wherewith the odd number of them is to be redeemed,

unto Aaron and to his sons.

3:49 And Moses took the redemption money of them that were over and

above them that were redeemed by the Levites: 3:50 Of the firstborn of

the children of Israel took he the money; a thousand three hundred and

threescore and five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary: 3:51

And Moses gave the money of them that were redeemed unto Aaron and to

his sons, according to the word of the LORD, as the LORD commanded

Moses.

4:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 4:2 Take the

sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their

families, by the house of their fathers, 4:3 From thirty years old and

upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host, to do

the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.

4:4 This shall be the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle

of the congregation, about the most holy things: 4:5 And when the camp

setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take

down the covering vail, and cover the ark of testimony with it: 4:6

And shall put thereon the covering of badgers' skins, and shall spread

over it a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof.

4:7 And upon the table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue,

and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls, and covers

to cover withal: and the continual bread shall be thereon: 4:8 And

they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same

with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put in the staves

thereof.

4:9 And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the candlestick of

the light, and his lamps, and his tongs, and his snuffdishes, and all

the oil vessels thereof, wherewith they minister unto it: 4:10 And

they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of

badgers' skins, and shall put it upon a bar.

4:11 And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and

cover it with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put to the

staves thereof: 4:12 And they shall take all the instruments of

ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put them in a

cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of badgers' skins, and

shall put them on a bar: 4:13 And they shall take away the ashes from

the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon: 4:14 And they shall put

upon it all the vessels thereof, wherewith they minister about it,

even the censers, the fleshhooks, and the shovels, and the basons, all

the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread upon it a covering of

badgers' skins, and put to the staves of it.

4:15 And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the

sanctuary, and all the vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set

forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall come to bear it: but

they shall not touch any holy thing, lest they die. These things are

the burden of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the

congregation.

4:16 And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest

pertaineth the oil for the light, and the sweet incense, and the daily

meat offering, and the anointing oil, and the oversight of all the

tabernacle, and of all that therein is, in the sanctuary, and in the

vessels thereof.

4:17 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron saying, 4:18 Cut ye

not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the

Levites: 4:19 But thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die,

when they approach unto the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall

go in, and appoint them every one to his service and to his burden:

4:20 But they shall not go in to see when the holy things are covered,

lest they die.

4:21 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 4:22 Take also the sum of

the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by their

families; 4:23 From thirty years old and upward until fifty years old

shalt thou number them; all that enter in to perform the service, to

do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.

4:24 This is the service of the families of the Gershonites, to serve,

and for burdens: 4:25 And they shall bear the curtains of the

tabernacle, and the tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and

the covering of the badgers' skins that is above upon it, and the

hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, 4:26 And

the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the door of the gate of

the court, which is by the tabernacle and by the altar round about,

and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all

that is made for them: so shall they serve.

4:27 At the appointment of Aaron and his sons shall be all the service

of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burdens, and in all their

service: and ye shall appoint unto them in charge all their burdens.

4:28 This is the service of the families of the sons of Gershon in the

tabernacle of the congregation: and their charge shall be under the

hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

4:29 As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number them after their

families, by the house of their fathers; 4:30 From thirty years old

and upward even unto fifty years old shalt thou number them, every one

that entereth into the service, to do the work of the tabernacle of

the congregation.

4:31 And this is the charge of their burden, according to all their

service in the tabernacle of the congregation; the boards of the

tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and sockets

thereof, 4:32 And the pillars of the court round about, and their

sockets, and their pins, and their cords, with all their instruments,

and with all their service: and by name ye shall reckon the

instruments of the charge of their burden.

4:33 This is the service of the families of the sons of Merari,

according to all their service, in the tabernacle of the congregation,

under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

4:34 And Moses and Aaron and the chief of the congregation numbered

the sons of the Kohathites after their families, and after the house

of their fathers, 4:35 From thirty years old and upward even unto

fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the

work in the tabernacle of the congregation: 4:36 And those that were

numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven hundred and

fifty.

4:37 These were they that were numbered of the families of the

Kohathites, all that might do service in the tabernacle of the

congregation, which Moses and Aaron did number according to the

commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

4:38 And those that were numbered of the sons of Gershon, throughout

their families, and by the house of their fathers, 4:39 From thirty

years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that

entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the

congregation, 4:40 Even those that were numbered of them, throughout

their families, by the house of their fathers, were two thousand and

six hundred and thirty.

4:41 These are they that were numbered of the families of the sons of

Gershon, of all that might do service in the tabernacle of the

congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did number according to the

commandment of the LORD.

4:42 And those that were numbered of the families of the sons of

Merari, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers, 4:43

From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one

that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the

congregation, 4:44 Even those that were numbered of them after their

families, were three thousand and two hundred.

4:45 These be those that were numbered of the families of the sons of

Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the word of the

LORD by the hand of Moses.

4:46 All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron

and the chief of Israel numbered, after their families, and after the

house of their fathers, 4:47 From thirty years old and upward even

unto fifty years old, every one that came to do the service of the

ministry, and the service of the burden in the tabernacle of the

congregation.

4:48 Even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and

five hundred and fourscore, 4:49 According to the commandment of the

LORD they were numbered by the hand of Moses, every one according to

his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of

him, as the LORD commanded Moses.

5:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 5:2 Command the children of

Israel, that they put out of the camp every leper, and every one that

hath an issue, and whosoever is defiled by the dead: 5:3 Both male and

female shall ye put out, without the camp shall ye put them; that they

defile not their camps, in the midst whereof I dwell.

5:4 And the children of Israel did so, and put them out without the

camp: as the LORD spake unto Moses, so did the children of Israel.

5:5 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 5:6 Speak unto the children

of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men commit,

to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be guilty; 5:7 Then

they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall

recompense his trespass with the principal thereof, and add unto it

the fifth part thereof, and give it unto him against whom he hath

trespassed.

5:8 But if the man have no kinsman to recompense the trespass unto,

let the trespass be recompensed unto the LORD, even to the priest;

beside the ram of the atonement, whereby an atonement shall be made

for him.

5:9 And every offering of all the holy things of the children of

Israel, which they bring unto the priest, shall be his.

5:10 And every man's hallowed things shall be his: whatsoever any man

giveth the priest, it shall be his.

5:11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 5:12 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and

commit a trespass against him, 5:13 And a man lie with her carnally,

and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close, and she

be defiled, and there be no witness against her, neither she be taken

with the manner; 5:14 And the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he

be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of

jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not

defiled: 5:15 Then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and

he shall bring her offering for her, the tenth part of an ephah of

barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense

thereon; for it is an offering of jealousy, an offering of memorial,

bringing iniquity to remembrance.

5:16 And the priest shall bring her near, and set her before the LORD:

5:17 And the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel; and of

the dust that is in the floor of the tabernacle the priest shall take,

and put it into the water: 5:18 And the priest shall set the woman

before the LORD, and uncover the woman's head, and put the offering of

memorial in her hands, which is the jealousy offering: and the priest

shall have in his hand the bitter water that causeth the curse: 5:19

And the priest shall charge her by an oath, and say unto the woman, If

no man have lain with thee, and if thou hast not gone aside to

uncleanness with another instead of thy husband, be thou free from

this bitter water that causeth the curse: 5:20 But if thou hast gone

aside to another instead of thy husband, and if thou be defiled, and

some man have lain with thee beside thine husband: 5:21 Then the

priest shall charge the woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest

shall say unto the woman, The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among

thy people, when the LORD doth make thy thigh to rot, and thy belly to

swell; 5:22 And this water that causeth the curse shall go into thy

bowels, to make thy belly to swell, and thy thigh to rot: And the

woman shall say, Amen, amen.

5:23 And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall

blot them out with the bitter water: 5:24 And he shall cause the woman

to drink the bitter water that causeth the curse: and the water that

causeth the curse shall enter into her, and become bitter.

5:25 Then the priest shall take the jealousy offering out of the

woman's hand, and shall wave the offering before the LORD, and offer

it upon the altar: 5:26 And the priest shall take an handful of the

offering, even the memorial thereof, and burn it upon the altar, and

afterward shall cause the woman to drink the water.

5:27 And when he hath made her to drink the water, then it shall come

to pass, that, if she be defiled, and have done trespass against her

husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her,

and become bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot:

and the woman shall be a curse among her people.

5:28 And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be

free, and shall conceive seed.

5:29 This is the law of jealousies, when a wife goeth aside to another

instead of her husband, and is defiled; 5:30 Or when the spirit of

jealousy cometh upon him, and he be jealous over his wife, and shall

set the woman before the LORD, and the priest shall execute upon her

all this law.

5:31 Then shall the man be guiltless from iniquity, and this woman

shall bear her iniquity.

6:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:2 Speak unto the children

of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall separate

themselves to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to separate themselves unto the

LORD: 6:3 He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink, and

shall drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither

shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried.

6:4 All the days of his separation shall he eat nothing that is made

of the vine tree, from the kernels even to the husk.

6:5 All the days of the vow of his separation there shall no razor

come upon his head: until the days be fulfilled, in the which he

separateth himself unto the LORD, he shall be holy, and shall let the

locks of the hair of his head grow.

6:6 All the days that he separateth himself unto the LORD he shall

come at no dead body.

6:7 He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for his

mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die: because the

consecration of his God is upon his head.

6:8 All the days of his separation he is holy unto the LORD.

6:9 And if any man die very suddenly by him, and he hath defiled the

head of his consecration; then he shall shave his head in the day of

his cleansing, on the seventh day shall he shave it.

6:10 And on the eighth day he shall bring two turtles, or two young

pigeons, to the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation: 6:11 And the priest shall offer the one for a sin

offering, and the other for a burnt offering, and make an atonement

for him, for that he sinned by the dead, and shall hallow his head

that same day.

6:12 And he shall consecrate unto the LORD the days of his separation,

and shall bring a lamb of the first year for a trespass offering: but

the days that were before shall be lost, because his separation was

defiled.

6:13 And this is the law of the Nazarite, when the days of his

separation are fulfilled: he shall be brought unto the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation: 6:14 And he shall offer his offering

unto the LORD, one he lamb of the first year without blemish for a

burnt offering, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish for

a sin offering, and one ram without blemish for peace offerings, 6:15

And a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mingled with

oil, and wafers of unleavened bread anointed with oil, and their meat

offering, and their drink offerings.

6:16 And the priest shall bring them before the LORD, and shall offer

his sin offering, and his burnt offering: 6:17 And he shall offer the

ram for a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, with the basket

of unleavened bread: the priest shall offer also his meat offering,

and his drink offering.

6:18 And the Nazarite shall shave the head of his separation at the

door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall take the hair of

the head of his separation, and put it in the fire which is under the

sacrifice of the peace offerings.

6:19 And the priest shall take the sodden shoulder of the ram, and one

unleavened cake out of the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and shall

put them upon the hands of the Nazarite, after the hair of his

separation is shaven: 6:20 And the priest shall wave them for a wave

offering before the LORD: this is holy for the priest, with the wave

breast and heave shoulder: and after that the Nazarite may drink wine.

6:21 This is the law of the Nazarite who hath vowed, and of his

offering unto the LORD for his separation, beside that that his hand

shall get: according to the vow which he vowed, so he must do after

the law of his separation.

6:22 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 6:23 Speak unto Aaron and

unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of

Israel, saying unto them, 6:24 The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:

6:25 The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto

thee: 6:26 The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee

peace.

6:27 And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel, and I

will bless them.

7:1 And it came to pass on the day that Moses had fully set up the

tabernacle, and had anointed it, and sanctified it, and all the

instruments thereof, both the altar and all the vessels thereof, and

had anointed them, and sanctified them; 7:2 That the princes of

Israel, heads of the house of their fathers, who were the princes of

the tribes, and were over them that were numbered, offered: 7:3 And

they brought their offering before the LORD, six covered wagons, and

twelve oxen; a wagon for two of the princes, and for each one an ox:

and they brought them before the tabernacle.

7:4 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 7:5 Take it of them, that

they may be to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation;

and thou shalt give them unto the Levites, to every man according to

his service.

7:6 And Moses took the wagons and the oxen, and gave them unto the

Levites.

7:7 Two wagons and four oxen he gave unto the sons of Gershon,

according to their service: 7:8 And four wagons and eight oxen he gave

unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand

of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

7:9 But unto the sons of Kohath he gave none: because the service of

the sanctuary belonging unto them was that they should bear upon their

shoulders.

7:10 And the princes offered for dedicating of the altar in the day

that it was anointed, even the princes offered their offering before

the altar.

7:11 And the LORD said unto Moses, They shall offer their offering,

each prince on his day, for the dedicating of the altar.

7:12 And he that offered his offering the first day was Nahshon the

son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah: 7:13 And his offering was one

silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty shekels,

one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary;

both of them were full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat

offering: 7:14 One spoon of ten shekels of gold, full of incense: 7:15

One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt

offering: 7:16 One kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:17 And for a

sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five

lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Nahshon the son of

Amminadab.

7:18 On the second day Nethaneel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar,

did offer: 7:19 He offered for his offering one silver charger, the

weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of

seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full

of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:20 One spoon of

gold of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:21 One young bullock, one ram,

one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:22 One kid of the

goats for a sin offering: 7:23 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings,

two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this

was the offering of Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

7:24 On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children

of Zebulun, did offer: 7:25 His offering was one silver charger, the

weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of

seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full

of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:26 One golden

spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:27 One young bullock, one

ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:28 One kid of

the goats for a sin offering: 7:29 And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first

year: this was the offering of Eliab the son of Helon.

7:30 On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the

children of Reuben, did offer: 7:31 His offering was one silver

charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver

bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of

them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:32 One

golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:33 One young bullock,

one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:34 One

kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:35 And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first

year: this was the offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

7:36 On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, prince of the

children of Simeon, did offer: 7:37 His offering was one silver

charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one

silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary;

both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

7:38 One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:39 One young

bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

7:40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:41 And for a sacrifice

of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of

the first year: this was the offering of Shelumiel the son of

Zurishaddai.

7:42 On the sixth day Eliasaph the son of Deuel, prince of the

children of Gad, offered: 7:43 His offering was one silver charger of

the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, a silver bowl of seventy

shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine

flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:44 One golden spoon of

ten shekels, full of incense: 7:45 One young bullock, one ram, one

lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:46 One kid of the

goats for a sin offering: 7:47 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings,

two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this

was the offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

7:48 On the seventh day Elishama the son of Ammihud, prince of the

children of Ephraim, offered: 7:49 His offering was one silver

charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one

silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary;

both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

7:50 One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:51 One young

bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

7:52 One kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:53 And for a sacrifice

of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of

the first year: this was the offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.

7:54 On the eighth day offered Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of

the children of Manasseh: 7:55 His offering was one silver charger of

the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of

seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full

of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:56 One golden

spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:57 One young bullock, one

ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:58 One kid of

the goats for a sin offering: 7:59 And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first

year: this was the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

7:60 On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni, prince of the

children of Benjamin, offered: 7:61 His offering was one silver

charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one

silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary;

both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

7:62 One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:63 One young

bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

7:64 One kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:65 And for a sacrifice

of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of

the first year: this was the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.

7:66 On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the

children of Dan, offered: 7:67 His offering was one silver charger,

the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl

of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them

full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:68 One

golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:69 One young bullock,

one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:70 One

kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:71 And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first

year: this was the offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

7:72 On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ocran, prince of the

children of Asher, offered: 7:73 His offering was one silver charger,

the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl

of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them

full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:74 One

golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:75 One young bullock,

one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:76 One

kid of the goats for a sin offering: 7:77 And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first

year: this was the offering of Pagiel the son of Ocran.

7:78 On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the children

of Naphtali, offered: 7:79 His offering was one silver charger, the

weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of

seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full

of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 7:80 One golden

spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 7:81 One young bullock, one

ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 7:82 One kid of

the goats for a sin offering: 7:83 And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first

year: this was the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.

7:84 This was the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was

anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve

silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold: 7:85 Each charger of silver

weighing an hundred and thirty shekels, each bowl seventy: all the

silver vessels weighed two thousand and four hundred shekels, after

the shekel of the sanctuary: 7:86 The golden spoons were twelve, full

of incense, weighing ten shekels apiece, after the shekel of the

sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons was an hundred and twenty

shekels.

7:87 All the oxen for the burnt offering were twelve bullocks, the

rams twelve, the lambs of the first year twelve, with their meat

offering: and the kids of the goats for sin offering twelve.

7:88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace offerings were

twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he goats sixty, the

lambs of the first year sixty. This was the dedication of the altar,

after that it was anointed.

7:89 And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation

to speak with him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him

from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony, from

between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.

8:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 8:2 Speak unto Aaron and

say unto him, When thou lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give

light over against the candlestick.

8:3 And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps thereof over against the

candlestick, as the LORD commanded Moses.

8:4 And this work of the candlestick was of beaten gold, unto the

shaft thereof, unto the flowers thereof, was beaten work: according

unto the pattern which the LORD had shewed Moses, so he made the

candlestick.

8:5 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 8:6 Take the Levites from

among the children of Israel, and cleanse them.

8:7 And thus shalt thou do unto them, to cleanse them: Sprinkle water

of purifying upon them, and let them shave all their flesh, and let

them wash their clothes, and so make themselves clean.

8:8 Then let them take a young bullock with his meat offering, even

fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take

for a sin offering.

8:9 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the tabernacle of the

congregation: and thou shalt gather the whole assembly of the children

of Israel together: 8:10 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the

LORD: and the children of Israel shall put their hands upon the

Levites: 8:11 And Aaron shall offer the Levites before the LORD for an

offering of the children of Israel, that they may execute the service

of the LORD.

8:12 And the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the

bullocks: and thou shalt offer the one for a sin offering, and the

other for a burnt offering, unto the LORD, to make an atonement for

the Levites.

8:13 And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons,

and offer them for an offering unto the LORD.

8:14 Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the children of

Israel: and the Levites shall be mine.

8:15 And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the

tabernacle of the congregation: and thou shalt cleanse them, and offer

them for an offering.

8:16 For they are wholly given unto me from among the children of

Israel; instead of such as open every womb, even instead of the

firstborn of all the children of Israel, have I taken them unto me.

8:17 For all the firstborn of the children of Israel are mine, both

man and beast: on the day that I smote every firstborn in the land of

Egypt I sanctified them for myself.

8:18 And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the

children of Israel.

8:19 And I have given the Levites as a gift to Aaron and to his sons

from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children

of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation, and to make an

atonement for the children of Israel: that there be no plague among

the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh unto the

sanctuary.

8:20 And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of

Israel, did to the Levites according unto all that the LORD commanded

Moses concerning the Levites, so did the children of Israel unto them.

8:21 And the Levites were purified, and they washed their clothes; and

Aaron offered them as an offering before the LORD; and Aaron made an

atonement for them to cleanse them.

8:22 And after that went the Levites in to do their service in the

tabernacle of the congregation before Aaron, and before his sons: as

the LORD had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto

them.

8:23 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 8:24 This is it that

belongeth unto the Levites: from twenty and five years old and upward

they shall go in to wait upon the service of the tabernacle of the

congregation: 8:25 And from the age of fifty years they shall cease

waiting upon the service thereof, and shall serve no more: 8:26 But

shall minister with their brethren in the tabernacle of the

congregation, to keep the charge, and shall do no service. Thus shalt

thou do unto the Levites touching their charge.

9:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the

first month of the second year after they were come out of the land of

Egypt, saying, 9:2 Let the children of Israel also keep the passover

at his appointed season.

9:3 In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in

his appointed season: according to all the rites of it, and according

to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it.

9:4 And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep

the passover.

9:5 And they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the first

month at even in the wilderness of Sinai: according to all that the

LORD commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel.

9:6 And there were certain men, who were defiled by the dead body of a

man, that they could not keep the passover on that day: and they came

before Moses and before Aaron on that day: 9:7 And those men said unto

him, We are defiled by the dead body of a man: wherefore are we kept

back, that we may not offer an offering of the LORD in his appointed

season among the children of Israel? 9:8 And Moses said unto them,

Stand still, and I will hear what the LORD will command concerning

you.

9:9 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 9:10 Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your posterity

shall be unclean by reason of a dead body, or be in a journey afar

off, yet he shall keep the passover unto the LORD.

9:11 The fourteenth day of the second month at even they shall keep

it, and eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

9:12 They shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break any bone

of it: according to all the ordinances of the passover they shall keep

it.

9:13 But the man that is clean, and is not in a journey, and

forbeareth to keep the passover, even the same soul shall be cut off

from among his people: because he brought not the offering of the LORD

in his appointed season, that man shall bear his sin.

9:14 And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the

passover unto the LORD; according to the ordinance of the passover,

and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do: ye shall have one

ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the

land.

9:15 And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud

covered the tabernacle, namely, the tent of the testimony: and at even

there was upon the tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire, until

the morning.

9:16 So it was alway: the cloud covered it by day, and the appearance

of fire by night.

9:17 And when the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, then after

that the children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the

cloud abode, there the children of Israel pitched their tents.

9:18 At the commandment of the LORD the children of Israel journeyed,

and at the commandment of the LORD they pitched: as long as the cloud

abode upon the tabernacle they rested in their tents.

9:19 And when the cloud tarried long upon the tabernacle many days,

then the children of Israel kept the charge of the LORD, and journeyed

not.

9:20 And so it was, when the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle;

according to the commandment of the LORD they abode in their tents,

and according to the commandment of the LORD they journeyed.

9:21 And so it was, when the cloud abode from even unto the morning,

and that the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they journeyed:

whether it was by day or by night that the cloud was taken up, they

journeyed.

9:22 Or whether it were two days, or a month, or a year, that the

cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, remaining thereon, the children of

Israel abode in their tents, and journeyed not: but when it was taken

up, they journeyed.

9:23 At the commandment of the LORD they rested in the tents, and at

the commandment of the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of

the LORD, at the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

10:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 10:2 Make thee two

trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou

mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the

journeying of the camps.

10:3 And when they shall blow with them, all the assembly shall

assemble themselves to thee at the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation.

10:4 And if they blow but with one trumpet, then the princes, which

are heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto

thee.

10:5 When ye blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts

shall go forward.

10:6 When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on

the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for

their journeys.

10:7 But when the congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall

blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm.

10:8 And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets;

and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your

generations.

10:9 And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that

oppresseth you, then ye shall blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye

shall be remembered before the LORD your God, and ye shall be saved

from your enemies.

10:10 Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and

in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over

your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings;

that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I am the LORD

your God.

10:11 And it came to pass on the twentieth day of the second month, in

the second year, that the cloud was taken up from off the tabernacle

of the testimony.

10:12 And the children of Israel took their journeys out of the

wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud rested in the wilderness of Paran.

10:13 And they first took their journey according to the commandment

of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

10:14 In the first place went the standard of the camp of the children

of Judah according to their armies: and over his host was Nahshon the

son of Amminadab.

10:15 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar was

Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

10:16 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun was

Eliab the son of Helon.

10:17 And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and

the sons of Merari set forward, bearing the tabernacle.

10:18 And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to

their armies: and over his host was Elizur the son of Shedeur.

10:19 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon was

Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

10:20 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad was

Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

10:21 And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and the

other did set up the tabernacle against they came.

10:22 And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set

forward according to their armies: and over his host was Elishama the

son of Ammihud.

10:23 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh was

Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

10:24 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin was

Abidan the son of Gideoni.

10:25 And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward,

which was the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and

over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

10:26 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher was

Pagiel the son of Ocran.

10:27 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali was

Ahira the son of Enan.

10:28 Thus were the journeyings of the children of Israel according to

their armies, when they set forward.

10:29 And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of Raguel the Midianite,

Moses' father in law, We are journeying unto the place of which the

LORD said, I will give it you: come thou with us, and we will do thee

good: for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel.

10:30 And he said unto him, I will not go; but I will depart to mine

own land, and to my kindred.

10:31 And he said, Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou

knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and thou mayest be to

us instead of eyes.

10:32 And it shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what

goodness the LORD shall do unto us, the same will we do unto thee.

10:33 And they departed from the mount of the LORD three days'

journey: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD went before them in

the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them.

10:34 And the cloud of the LORD was upon them by day, when they went

out of the camp.

10:35 And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said,

Rise up, LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered; and let them that

hate thee flee before thee.

10:36 And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the many

thousands of Israel.

11:1 And when the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the

LORD heard it; and his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD

burnt among them, and consumed them that were in the uttermost parts

of the camp.

11:2 And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the

LORD, the fire was quenched.

11:3 And he called the name of the place Taberah: because the fire of

the LORD burnt among them.

11:4 And the mixt multitude that was among them fell a lusting: and

the children of Israel also wept again, and said, Who shall give us

flesh to eat? 11:5 We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt

freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions,

and the garlick: 11:6 But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing

at all, beside this manna, before our eyes.

11:7 And the manna was as coriander seed, and the colour thereof as

the colour of bdellium.

11:8 And the people went about, and gathered it, and ground it in

mills, or beat it in a mortar, and baked it in pans, and made cakes of

it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil.

11:9 And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell

upon it.

11:10 Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families,

every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was

kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.

11:11 And Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy

servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou

layest the burden of all this people upon me? 11:12 Have I conceived

all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto

me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking

child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers? 11:13

Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep

unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat.

11:14 I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too

heavy for me.

11:15 And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of

hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my

wretchedness.

11:16 And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the

elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people,

and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the

congregation, that they may stand there with thee.

11:17 And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take

of the spirit which is upon thee, and will put it upon them; and they

shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear it not

thyself alone.

11:18 And say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to

morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the

LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us

in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.

11:19 Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither

ten days, nor twenty days; 11:20 But even a whole month, until it come

out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye

have despised the LORD which is among you, and have wept before him,

saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt? 11:21 And Moses said, The

people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand footmen; and thou

hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.

11:22 Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice

them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them,

to suffice them? 11:23 And the LORD said unto Moses, Is the LORD's

hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to

pass unto thee or not.

11:24 And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD,

and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them

round about the tabernacle.

11:25 And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took

of the spirit that was upon him, and gave it unto the seventy elders:

and it came to pass, that, when the spirit rested upon them, they

prophesied, and did not cease.

11:26 But there remained two of the men in the camp, the name of the

one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested

upon them; and they were of them that were written, but went not out

unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp.

11:27 And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and

Medad do prophesy in the camp.

11:28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, one of his

young men, answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them.

11:29 And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? would God

that all the LORD's people were prophets, and that the LORD would put

his spirit upon them! 11:30 And Moses gat him into the camp, he and

the elders of Israel.

11:31 And there went forth a wind from the LORD, and brought quails

from the sea, and let them fall by the camp, as it were a day's

journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey on the other

side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits high upon the

face of the earth.

11:32 And the people stood up all that day, and all that night, and

all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least

gathered ten homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves

round about the camp.

11:33 And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was

chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the

LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

11:34 And he called the name of that place Kibrothhattaavah: because

there they buried the people that lusted.

11:35 And the people journeyed from Kibrothhattaavah unto Hazeroth;

and abode at Hazeroth.

12:1 And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian

woman whom he had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.

12:2 And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? hath he

not spoken also by us? And the LORD heard it.

12:3 (Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were

upon the face of the earth.) 12:4 And the LORD spake suddenly unto

Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out ye three unto the

tabernacle of the congregation. And they three came out.

12:5 And the LORD came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood in

the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both

came forth.

12:6 And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you,

I the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak

unto him in a dream.

12:7 My servant Moses is not so, who is faithful in all mine house.

12:8 With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in

dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold:

wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?

12:9 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them; and he

departed.

12:10 And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold,

Miriam became leprous, white as snow: and Aaron looked upon Miriam,

and, behold, she was leprous.

12:11 And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay

not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we

have sinned.

12:12 Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed

when he cometh out of his mother's womb.

12:13 And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I

beseech thee.

12:14 And the LORD said unto Moses, If her father had but spit in her

face, should she not be ashamed seven days? let her be shut out from

the camp seven days, and after that let her be received in again.

12:15 And Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the people

journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again.

12:16 And afterward the people removed from Hazeroth, and pitched in

the wilderness of Paran.

13:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 13:2 Send thou men, that

they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of

Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one

a ruler among them.

13:3 And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the

wilderness of Paran: all those men were heads of the children of

Israel.

13:4 And these were their names: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the

son of Zaccur.

13:5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the son of Hori.

13:6 Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

13:7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph.

13:8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, Oshea the son of Nun.

13:9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu.

13:10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.

13:11 Of the tribe of Joseph, namely, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi

the son of Susi.

13:12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli.

13:13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael.

13:14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi.

13:15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.

13:16 These are the names of the men which Moses sent to spy out the

land.

And Moses called Oshea the son of Nun Jehoshua.

13:17 And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto

them, Get you up this way southward, and go up into the mountain:

13:18 And see the land, what it is, and the people that dwelleth

therein, whether they be strong or weak, few or many; 13:19 And what

the land is that they dwell in, whether it be good or bad; and what

cities they be that they dwell in, whether in tents, or in strong

holds; 13:20 And what the land is, whether it be fat or lean, whether

there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of

the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the firstripe

grapes.

13:21 So they went up, and searched the land from the wilderness of

Zin unto Rehob, as men come to Hamath.

13:22 And they ascended by the south, and came unto Hebron; where

Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak, were. (Now Hebron

was built seven years before Zoan in Egypt.) 13:23 And they came unto

the brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one

cluster of grapes, and they bare it between two upon a staff; and they

brought of the pomegranates, and of the figs.

13:24 The place was called the brook Eshcol, because of the cluster of

grapes which the children of Israel cut down from thence.

13:25 And they returned from searching of the land after forty days.

13:26 And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the

congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran,

to Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the

congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land.

13:27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou

sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this is the

fruit of it.

13:28 Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land, and

the cities are walled, and very great: and moreover we saw the

children of Anak there.

13:29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites,

and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the

Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan.

13:30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go

up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

13:31 But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up

against the people; for they are stronger than we.

13:32 And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had

searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which

we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants

thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great

stature.

13:33 And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, which come of the

giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were

in their sight.

14:1 And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and

the people wept that night.

14:2 And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against

Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we

had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this

wilderness! 14:3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this

land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be

a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt? 14:4 And they

said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into

Egypt.

14:5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly

of the congregation of the children of Israel.

14:6 And Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which

were of them that searched the land, rent their clothes: 14:7 And they

spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The

land, which we passed through to search it, is an exceeding good land.

14:8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land,

and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

14:9 Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of

the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from

them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not.

14:10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the

glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation

before all the children of Israel.

14:11 And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke

me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs

which I have shewed among them? 14:12 I will smite them with the

pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater

nation and mightier than they.

14:13 And Moses said unto the LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear it,

(for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;)

14:14 And they will tell it to the inhabitants of this land: for they

have heard that thou LORD art among this people, that thou LORD art

seen face to face, and that thy cloud standeth over them, and that

thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a

pillar of fire by night.

14:15 Now if thou shalt kill all this people as one man, then the

nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying, 14:16

Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which

he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.

14:17 And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my LORD be great,

according as thou hast spoken, saying, 14:18 The LORD is

longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and

transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the

iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth

generation.

14:19 Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according

unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this

people, from Egypt even until now.

14:20 And the LORD said, I have pardoned according to thy word: 14:21

But as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory

of the LORD.

14:22 Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles,

which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now

these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice; 14:23 Surely they

shall not see the land which I sware unto their fathers, neither shall

any of them that provoked me see it: 14:24 But my servant Caleb,

because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully,

him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall

possess it.

14:25 (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.)

Tomorrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the

Red sea.

14:26 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 14:27 How

long shall I bear with this evil congregation, which murmur against

me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they

murmur against me.

14:28 Say unto them, As truly as I live, saith the LORD, as ye have

spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you: 14:29 Your carcases shall

fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according

to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward which have

murmured against me.

14:30 Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, concerning which I

sware to make you dwell therein, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and

Joshua the son of Nun.

14:31 But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will

I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised.

14:32 But as for you, your carcases, they shall fall in this

wilderness.

14:33 And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years,

and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the

wilderness.

14:34 After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even

forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even

forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise.

14:35 I the LORD have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil

congregation, that are gathered together against me: in this

wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die.

14:36 And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned,

and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a

slander upon the land, 14:37 Even those men that did bring up the evil

report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD.

14:38 But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which

were of the men that went to search the land, lived still.

14:39 And Moses told these sayings unto all the children of Israel:

and the people mourned greatly.

14:40 And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the

top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the

place which the LORD hath promised: for we have sinned.

14:41 And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment

of the LORD? but it shall not prosper.

14:42 Go not up, for the LORD is not among you; that ye be not smitten

before your enemies.

14:43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and

ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the LORD,

therefore the LORD will not be with you.

14:44 But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the

ark of the covenant of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the

camp.

14:45 Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in

that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, even unto Hormah.

15:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 15:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land

of your habitations, which I give unto you, 15:3 And will make an

offering by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice in

performing a vow, or in a freewill offering, or in your solemn feasts,

to make a sweet savour unto the LORD, of the herd or of the flock:

15:4 Then shall he that offereth his offering unto the LORD bring a

meat offering of a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of

an hin of oil.

15:5 And the fourth part of an hin of wine for a drink offering shalt

thou prepare with the burnt offering or sacrifice, for one lamb.

15:6 Or for a ram, thou shalt prepare for a meat offering two tenth

deals of flour mingled with the third part of an hin of oil.

15:7 And for a drink offering thou shalt offer the third part of an

hin of wine, for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

15:8 And when thou preparest a bullock for a burnt offering, or for a

sacrifice in performing a vow, or peace offerings unto the LORD: 15:9

Then shall he bring with a bullock a meat offering of three tenth

deals of flour mingled with half an hin of oil.

15:10 And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half an hin of wine,

for an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

15:11 Thus shall it be done for one bullock, or for one ram, or for a

lamb, or a kid.

15:12 According to the number that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to

every one according to their number.

15:13 All that are born of the country shall do these things after

this manner, in offering an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour

unto the LORD.

15:14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you in

your generations, and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet

savour unto the LORD; as ye do, so he shall do.

15:15 One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and

also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever

in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before the

LORD.

15:16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger

that sojourneth with you.

15:17 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 15:18 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land

whither I bring you, 15:19 Then it shall be, that, when ye eat of the

bread of the land, ye shall offer up an heave offering unto the LORD.

15:20 Ye shall offer up a cake of the first of your dough for an heave

offering: as ye do the heave offering of the threshingfloor, so shall

ye heave it.

15:21 Of the first of your dough ye shall give unto the LORD an heave

offering in your generations.

15:22 And if ye have erred, and not observed all these commandments,

which the LORD hath spoken unto Moses, 15:23 Even all that the LORD

hath commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the day that the LORD

commanded Moses, and henceforward among your generations; 15:24 Then

it shall be, if ought be committed by ignorance without the knowledge

of the congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young

bullock for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour unto the LORD, with

his meat offering, and his drink offering, according to the manner,

and one kid of the goats for a sin offering.

15:25 And the priest shall make an atonement for all the congregation

of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it is

ignorance: and they shall bring their offering, a sacrifice made by

fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their

ignorance: 15:26 And it shall be forgiven all the congregation of the

children of Israel, and the stranger that sojourneth among them;

seeing all the people were in ignorance.

15:27 And if any soul sin through ignorance, then he shall bring a she

goat of the first year for a sin offering.

15:28 And the priest shall make an atonement for the soul that sinneth

ignorantly, when he sinneth by ignorance before the LORD, to make an

atonement for him; and it shall be forgiven him.

15:29 Ye shall have one law for him that sinneth through ignorance,

both for him that is born among the children of Israel, and for the

stranger that sojourneth among them.

15:30 But the soul that doeth ought presumptuously, whether he be born

in the land, or a stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that

soul shall be cut off from among his people.

15:31 Because he hath despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken

his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity

shall be upon him.

15:32 And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they

found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.

15:33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses

and Aaron, and unto all the congregation.

15:34 And they put him in ward, because it was not declared what

should be done to him.

15:35 And the LORD said unto Moses, The man shall be surely put to

death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the

camp.

15:36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and

stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses.

15:37 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 15:38 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the

borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they

put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue: 15:39 And it

shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember

all the commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye seek not

after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a

whoring: 15:40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and

be holy unto your God.

15:41 I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of

Egypt, to be your God: I am the LORD your God.

16:1 Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi,

and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth,

sons of Reuben, took men: 16:2 And they rose up before Moses, with

certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of

the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown: 16:3 And they

gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said

unto them, Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are

holy, every one of them, and the LORD is among them: wherefore then

lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD? 16:4 And

when Moses heard it, he fell upon his face: 16:5 And he spake unto

Korah and unto all his company, saying, Even to morrow the LORD will

shew who are his, and who is holy; and will cause him to come near

unto him: even him whom he hath chosen will he cause to come near unto

him.

16:6 This do; Take you censers, Korah, and all his company; 16:7 And

put fire therein, and put incense in them before the LORD to morrow:

and it shall be that the man whom the LORD doth choose, he shall be

holy: ye take too much upon you, ye sons of Levi.

16:8 And Moses said unto Korah, Hear, I pray you, ye sons of Levi:

16:9 Seemeth it but a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel

hath separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near

to himself to do the service of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to

stand before the congregation to minister unto them? 16:10 And he

hath brought thee near to him, and all thy brethren the sons of Levi

with thee: and seek ye the priesthood also? 16:11 For which cause

both thou and all thy company are gathered together against the LORD:

and what is Aaron, that ye murmur against him? 16:12 And Moses sent

to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab: which said, We will not

come up: 16:13 Is it a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of

a land that floweth with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness,

except thou make thyself altogether a prince over us? 16:14 Moreover

thou hast not brought us into a land that floweth with milk and honey,

or given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: wilt thou put out the

eyes of these men? we will not come up.

16:15 And Moses was very wroth, and said unto the LORD, Respect not

thou their offering: I have not taken one ass from them, neither have

I hurt one of them.

16:16 And Moses said unto Korah, Be thou and all thy company before

the LORD, thou, and they, and Aaron, to morrow: 16:17 And take every

man his censer, and put incense in them, and bring ye before the LORD

every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; thou also, and

Aaron, each of you his censer.

16:18 And they took every man his censer, and put fire in them, and

laid incense thereon, and stood in the door of the tabernacle of the

congregation with Moses and Aaron.

16:19 And Korah gathered all the congregation against them unto the

door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and the glory of the LORD

appeared unto all the congregation.

16:20 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 16:21

Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume

them in a moment.

16:22 And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the

spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with

all the congregation? 16:23 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

16:24 Speak unto the congregation, saying, Get you up from about the

tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.

16:25 And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the

elders of Israel followed him.

16:26 And he spake unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you,

from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of their's, lest

ye be consumed in all their sins.

16:27 So they gat up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram,

on every side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood in the door

of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little

children.

16:28 And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me

to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind.

16:29 If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be

visited after the visitation of all men; then the LORD hath not sent

me.

16:30 But if the LORD make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth,

and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go

down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have

provoked the LORD.

16:31 And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these

words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them: 16:32 And

the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses,

and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods.

16:33 They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the

pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the

congregation.

16:34 And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of

them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also.

16:35 And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two

hundred and fifty men that offered incense.

16:36 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 16:37 Speak unto Eleazar

the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the

burning, and scatter thou the fire yonder; for they are hallowed.

16:38 The censers of these sinners against their own souls, let them

make them broad plates for a covering of the altar: for they offered

them before the LORD, therefore they are hallowed: and they shall be a

sign unto the children of Israel.

16:39 And Eleazar the priest took the brasen censers, wherewith they

that were burnt had offered; and they were made broad plates for a

covering of the altar: 16:40 To be a memorial unto the children of

Israel, that no stranger, which is not of the seed of Aaron, come near

to offer incense before the LORD; that he be not as Korah, and as his

company: as the LORD said to him by the hand of Moses.

16:41 But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel

murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the

people of the LORD.

16:42 And it came to pass, when the congregation was gathered against

Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the tabernacle of the

congregation: and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the

LORD appeared.

16:43 And Moses and Aaron came before the tabernacle of the

congregation.

16:44 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 16:45 Get you up from

among this congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment. And

they fell upon their faces.

16:46 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a censer, and put fire therein

from off the altar, and put on incense, and go quickly unto the

congregation, and make an atonement for them: for there is wrath gone

out from the LORD; the plague is begun.

16:47 And Aaron took as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the

congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and

he put on incense, and made an atonement for the people.

16:48 And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was

stayed.

16:49 Now they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand and

seven hundred, beside them that died about the matter of Korah.

16:50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tabernacle of

the congregation: and the plague was stayed.

17:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 17:2 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and take of every one of them a rod according to

the house of their fathers, of all their princes according to the

house of their fathers twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon

his rod.

17:3 And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one

rod shall be for the head of the house of their fathers.

17:4 And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation

before the testimony, where I will meet with you.

17:5 And it shall come to pass, that the man's rod, whom I shall

choose, shall blossom: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings

of the children of Israel, whereby they murmur against you.

17:6 And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, and every one of

their princes gave him a rod apiece, for each prince one, according to

their fathers' houses, even twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron was

among their rods.

17:7 And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in the tabernacle of

witness.

17:8 And it came to pass, that on the morrow Moses went into the

tabernacle of witness; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of

Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and

yielded almonds.

17:9 And Moses brought out all the rods from before the LORD unto all

the children of Israel: and they looked, and took every man his rod.

17:10 And the LORD said unto Moses, Bring Aaron's rod again before the

testimony, to be kept for a token against the rebels; and thou shalt

quite take away their murmurings from me, that they die not.

17:11 And Moses did so: as the LORD commanded him, so did he.

17:12 And the children of Israel spake unto Moses, saying, Behold, we

die, we perish, we all perish.

17:13 Whosoever cometh any thing near unto the tabernacle of the LORD

shall die: shall we be consumed with dying? 18:1 And the LORD said

unto Aaron, Thou and thy sons and thy father's house with thee shall

bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee

shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood.

18:2 And thy brethren also of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy

father, bring thou with thee, that they may be joined unto thee, and

minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee shall minister

before the tabernacle of witness.

18:3 And they shall keep thy charge, and the charge of all the

tabernacle: only they shall not come nigh the vessels of the sanctuary

and the altar, that neither they, nor ye also, die.

18:4 And they shall be joined unto thee, and keep the charge of the

tabernacle of the congregation, for all the service of the tabernacle:

and a stranger shall not come nigh unto you.

18:5 And ye shall keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of

the altar: that there be no wrath any more upon the children of

Israel.

18:6 And I, behold, I have taken your brethren the Levites from among

the children of Israel: to you they are given as a gift for the LORD,

to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.

18:7 Therefore thou and thy sons with thee shall keep your priest's

office for everything of the altar, and within the vail; and ye shall

serve: I have given your priest's office unto you as a service of

gift: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.

18:8 And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Behold, I also have given thee the

charge of mine heave offerings of all the hallowed things of the

children of Israel; unto thee have I given them by reason of the

anointing, and to thy sons, by an ordinance for ever.

18:9 This shall be thine of the most holy things, reserved from the

fire: every oblation of theirs, every meat offering of theirs, and

every sin offering of theirs, and every trespass offering of theirs

which they shall render unto me, shall be most holy for thee and for

thy sons.

18:10 In the most holy place shalt thou eat it; every male shall eat

it: it shall be holy unto thee.

18:11 And this is thine; the heave offering of their gift, with all

the wave offerings of the children of Israel: I have given them unto

thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with thee, by a statute for

ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.

18:12 All the best of the oil, and all the best of the wine, and of

the wheat, the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto the

LORD, them have I given thee.

18:13 And whatsoever is first ripe in the land, which they shall bring

unto the LORD, shall be thine; every one that is clean in thine house

shall eat of it.

18:14 Every thing devoted in Israel shall be thine.

18:15 Every thing that openeth the matrix in all flesh, which they

bring unto the LORD, whether it be of men or beasts, shall be thine:

nevertheless the firstborn of man shalt thou surely redeem, and the

firstling of unclean beasts shalt thou redeem.

18:16 And those that are to be redeemed from a month old shalt thou

redeem, according to thine estimation, for the money of five shekels,

after the shekel of the sanctuary, which is twenty gerahs.

18:17 But the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheep, or the

firstling of a goat, thou shalt not redeem; they are holy: thou shalt

sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shalt burn their fat for an

offering made by fire, for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

18:18 And the flesh of them shall be thine, as the wave breast and as

the right shoulder are thine.

18:19 All the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children

of Israel offer unto the LORD, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy

daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: it is a covenant of salt

for ever before the LORD unto thee and to thy seed with thee.

18:20 And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Thou shalt have no inheritance in

their land, neither shalt thou have any part among them: I am thy part

and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.

18:21 And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in

Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve, even

the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.

18:22 Neither must the children of Israel henceforth come nigh the

tabernacle of the congregation, lest they bear sin, and die.

18:23 But the Levites shall do the service of the tabernacle of the

congregation, and they shall bear their iniquity: it shall be a

statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the children

of Israel they have no inheritance.

18:24 But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an

heave offering unto the LORD, I have given to the Levites to inherit:

therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they

shall have no inheritance.

18:25 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 18:26 Thus speak unto the

Levites, and say unto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the

tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye

shall offer up an heave offering of it for the LORD, even a tenth part

of the tithe.

18:27 And this your heave offering shall be reckoned unto you, as

though it were the corn of the threshingfloor, and as the fulness of

the winepress.

18:28 Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto the LORD of all

your tithes, which ye receive of the children of Israel; and ye shall

give thereof the LORD's heave offering to Aaron the priest.

18:29 Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of the

LORD, of all the best thereof, even the hallowed part thereof out of

it.

18:30 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, When ye have heaved the best

thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto the Levites as the

increase of the threshingfloor, and as the increase of the winepress.

18:31 And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households: for

it is your reward for your service in the tabernacle of the

congregation.

18:32 And ye shall bear no sin by reason of it, when ye have heaved

from it the best of it: neither shall ye pollute the holy things of

the children of Israel, lest ye die.

19:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying, 19:2 This

is the ordinance of the law which the LORD hath commanded, saying,

Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer

without spot, wherein is no blemish, and upon which never came yoke:

19:3 And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, that he may bring

her forth without the camp, and one shall slay her before his face:

19:4 And Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger,

and sprinkle of her blood directly before the tabernacle of the

congregation seven times: 19:5 And one shall burn the heifer in his

sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he

burn: 19:6 And the priest shall take cedar wood, and hyssop, and

scarlet, and cast it into the midst of the burning of the heifer.

19:7 Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his

flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the

priest shall be unclean until the even.

19:8 And he that burneth her shall wash his clothes in water, and

bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean until the even.

19:9 And a man that is clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer,

and lay them up without the camp in a clean place, and it shall be

kept for the congregation of the children of Israel for a water of

separation: it is a purification for sin.

19:10 And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his

clothes, and be unclean until the even: and it shall be unto the

children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among them,

for a statute for ever.

19:11 He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven

days.

19:12 He shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the

seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third

day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean.

19:13 Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead, and

purifieth not himself, defileth the tabernacle of the LORD; and that

soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the water of separation was

not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness is yet

upon him.

19:14 This is the law, when a man dieth in a tent: all that come into

the tent, and all that is in the tent, shall be unclean seven days.

19:15 And every open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it, is

unclean.

19:16 And whosoever toucheth one that is slain with a sword in the

open fields, or a dead body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be

unclean seven days.

19:17 And for an unclean person they shall take of the ashes of the

burnt heifer of purification for sin, and running water shall be put

thereto in a vessel: 19:18 And a clean person shall take hyssop, and

dip it in the water, and sprinkle it upon the tent, and upon all the

vessels, and upon the persons that were there, and upon him that

touched a bone, or one slain, or one dead, or a grave: 19:19 And the

clean person shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on

the seventh day: and on the seventh day he shall purify himself, and

wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at

even.

19:20 But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself,

that soul shall be cut off from among the congregation, because he

hath defiled the sanctuary of the LORD: the water of separation hath

not been sprinkled upon him; he is unclean.

19:21 And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them, that he that

sprinkleth the water of separation shall wash his clothes; and he that

toucheth the water of separation shall be unclean until even.

19:22 And whatsoever the unclean person toucheth shall be unclean; and

the soul that toucheth it shall be unclean until even.

20:1 Then came the children of Israel, even the whole congregation,

into the desert of Zin in the first month: and the people abode in

Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried there.

20:2 And there was no water for the congregation: and they gathered

themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.

20:3 And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God

that we had died when our brethren died before the LORD! 20:4 And why

have ye brought up the congregation of the LORD into this wilderness,

that we and our cattle should die there? 20:5 And wherefore have ye

made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place?

it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates;

neither is there any water to drink.

20:6 And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto

the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon

their faces: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto them.

20:7 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 20:8 Take the rod, and

gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and

speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his

water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so

thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.

20:9 And Moses took the rod from before the LORD, as he commanded him.

20:10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before

the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch

you water out of this rock? 20:11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and

with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out

abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts also.

20:12 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me

not, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore

ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given

them.

20:13 This is the water of Meribah; because the children of Israel

strove with the LORD, and he was sanctified in them.

20:14 And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom,

Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travail that hath

befallen us: 20:15 How our fathers went down into Egypt, and we have

dwelt in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians vexed us, and our

fathers: 20:16 And when we cried unto the LORD, he heard our voice,

and sent an angel, and hath brought us forth out of Egypt: and,

behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border: 20:17

Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass

through the fields, or through the vineyards, neither will we drink of

the water of the wells: we will go by the king's high way, we will not

turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy

borders.

20:18 And Edom said unto him, Thou shalt not pass by me, lest I come

out against thee with the sword.

20:19 And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go by the high

way: and if I and my cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay for

it: I will only, without doing anything else, go through on my feet.

20:20 And he said, Thou shalt not go through. And Edom came out

against him with much people, and with a strong hand.

20:21 Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border:

wherefore Israel turned away from him.

20:22 And the children of Israel, even the whole congregation,

journeyed from Kadesh, and came unto mount Hor.

20:23 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the

coast of the land of Edom, saying, 20:24 Aaron shall be gathered unto

his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I have given

unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my word at

the water of Meribah.

20:25 Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up unto mount

Hor: 20:26 And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar

his son: and Aaron shall be gathered unto his people, and shall die

there.

20:27 And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went up into mount

Hor in the sight of all the congregation.

20:28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon

Eleazar his son; and Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and

Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount.

20:29 And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they

mourned for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel.

21:1 And when king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south, heard

tell that Israel came by the way of the spies; then he fought against

Israel, and took some of them prisoners.

21:2 And Israel vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt

indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy

their cities.

21:3 And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Israel, and delivered up

the Canaanites; and they utterly destroyed them and their cities: and

he called the name of the place Hormah.

21:4 And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to

compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much

discouraged because of the way.

21:5 And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore

have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for there

is no bread, neither is there any water; and our soul loatheth this

light bread.

21:6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit

the people; and much people of Israel died.

21:7 Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for

we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD,

that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the

people.

21:8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set

it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is

bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

21:9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it

came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the

serpent of brass, he lived.

21:10 And the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in Oboth.

21:11 And they journeyed from Oboth, and pitched at Ijeabarim, in the

wilderness which is before Moab, toward the sunrising.

21:12 From thence they removed, and pitched in the valley of Zared.

21:13 From thence they removed, and pitched on the other side of

Arnon, which is in the wilderness that cometh out of the coasts of the

Amorites: for Arnon is the border of Moab, between Moab and the

Amorites.

21:14 Wherefore it is said in the book of the wars of the LORD, What

he did in the Red sea, and in the brooks of Arnon, 21:15 And at the

stream of the brooks that goeth down to the dwelling of Ar, and lieth

upon the border of Moab.

21:16 And from thence they went to Beer: that is the well whereof the

LORD spake unto Moses, Gather the people together, and I will give

them water.

21:17 Then Israel sang this song, Spring up, O well; sing ye unto it:

21:18 The princes digged the well, the nobles of the people digged it,

by the direction of the lawgiver, with their staves. And from the

wilderness they went to Mattanah: 21:19 And from Mattanah to Nahaliel:

and from Nahaliel to Bamoth: 21:20 And from Bamoth in the valley, that

is in the country of Moab, to the top of Pisgah, which looketh toward

Jeshimon.

21:21 And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites,

saying, 21:22 Let me pass through thy land: we will not turn into the

fields, or into the vineyards; we will not drink of the waters of the

well: but we will go along by the king's high way, until we be past

thy borders.

21:23 And Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border:

but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against

Israel into the wilderness: and he came to Jahaz, and fought against

Israel.

21:24 And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed

his land from Arnon unto Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon: for

the border of the children of Ammon was strong.

21:25 And Israel took all these cities: and Israel dwelt in all the

cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all the villages thereof.

21:26 For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who

had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out

of his hand, even unto Arnon.

21:27 Wherefore they that speak in proverbs say, Come into Heshbon,

let the city of Sihon be built and prepared: 21:28 For there is a fire

gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon: it hath consumed

Ar of Moab, and the lords of the high places of Arnon.

21:29 Woe to thee, Moab! thou art undone, O people of Chemosh: he hath

given his sons that escaped, and his daughters, into captivity unto

Sihon king of the Amorites.

21:30 We have shot at them; Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon, and

we have laid them waste even unto Nophah, which reacheth unto Medeba.

21:31 Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.

21:32 And Moses sent to spy out Jaazer, and they took the villages

thereof, and drove out the Amorites that were there.

21:33 And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the

king of Bashan went out against them, he, and all his people, to the

battle at Edrei.

21:34 And the LORD said unto Moses, Fear him not: for I have delivered

him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land; and thou shalt do

to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at

Heshbon.

21:35 So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there

was none left him alive: and they possessed his land.

22:1 And the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the plains

of Moab on this side Jordan by Jericho.

22:2 And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the

Amorites.

22:3 And Moab was sore afraid of the people, because they were many:

and Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel.

22:4 And Moab said unto the elders of Midian, Now shall this company

lick up all that are round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of

the field.

And Balak the son of Zippor was king of the Moabites at that time.

22:5 He sent messengers therefore unto Balaam the son of Beor to

Pethor, which is by the river of the land of the children of his

people, to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people come out from

Egypt: behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide over

against me: 22:6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse me this

people; for they are too mighty for me: peradventure I shall prevail,

that we may smite them, and that I may drive them out of the land: for

I wot that he whom thou blessest is blessed, and he whom thou cursest

is cursed.

22:7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the

rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and

spake unto him the words of Balak.

22:8 And he said unto them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring

you word again, as the LORD shall speak unto me: and the princes of

Moab abode with Balaam.

22:9 And God came unto Balaam, and said, What men are these with thee?

22:10 And Balaam said unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab,

hath sent unto me, saying, 22:11 Behold, there is a people come out of

Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come now, curse me them;

peradventure I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.

22:12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou

shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed.

22:13 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of

Balak, Get you into your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave

to go with you.

22:14 And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and

said, Balaam refuseth to come with us.

22:15 And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honourable than

they.

22:16 And they came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus saith Balak the

son of Zippor, Let nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto

me: 22:17 For I will promote thee unto very great honour, and I will

do whatsoever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse

me this people.

22:18 And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If

Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go

beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more.

22:19 Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I

may know what the LORD will say unto me more.

22:20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, If the men

come to call thee, rise up, and go with them; but yet the word which I

shall say unto thee, that shalt thou do.

22:21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went

with the princes of Moab.

22:22 And God's anger was kindled because he went: and the angel of

the LORD stood in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was

riding upon his ass, and his two servants were with him.

22:23 And the ass saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and

his sword drawn in his hand: and the ass turned aside out of the way,

and went into the field: and Balaam smote the ass, to turn her into

the way.

22:24 But the angel of the LORD stood in a path of the vineyards, a

wall being on this side, and a wall on that side.

22:25 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she thrust herself

unto the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he

smote her again.

22:26 And the angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow

place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the

left.

22:27 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under

Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a

staff.

22:28 And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto

Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these

three times? 22:29 And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast

mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I

kill thee.

22:30 And the ass said unto Balaam, Am not I thine ass, upon which

thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day? was I ever wont

to do so unto thee? And he said, Nay.

22:31 Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of

the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he

bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face.

22:32 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Wherefore hast thou

smitten thine ass these three times? behold, I went out to withstand

thee, because thy way is perverse before me: 22:33 And the ass saw me,

and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned from me,

surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive.

22:34 And Balaam said unto the angel of the LORD, I have sinned; for I

knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if

it displease thee, I will get me back again.

22:35 And the angel of the LORD said unto Balaam, Go with the men: but

only the word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak. So

Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

22:36 And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went out to meet

him unto a city of Moab, which is in the border of Arnon, which is in

the utmost coast.

22:37 And Balak said unto Balaam, Did I not earnestly send unto thee

to call thee? wherefore camest thou not unto me? am I not able indeed

to promote thee to honour? 22:38 And Balaam said unto Balak, Lo, I am

come unto thee: have I now any power at all to say any thing? the word

that God putteth in my mouth, that shall I speak.

22:39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they came unto Kirjathhuzoth.

22:40 And Balak offered oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the

princes that were with him.

22:41 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Balak took Balaam, and

brought him up into the high places of Baal, that thence he might see

the utmost part of the people.

23:1 And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and

prepare me here seven oxen and seven rams.

23:2 And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered

on every altar a bullock and a ram.

23:3 And Balaam said unto Balak, Stand by thy burnt offering, and I

will go: peradventure the LORD will come to meet me: and whatsoever he

sheweth me I will tell thee. And he went to an high place.

23:4 And God met Balaam: and he said unto him, I have prepared seven

altars, and I have offered upon every altar a bullock and a ram.

23:5 And the LORD put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return unto

Balak, and thus thou shalt speak.

23:6 And he returned unto him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt

sacrifice, he, and all the princes of Moab.

23:7 And he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath

brought me from Aram, out of the mountains of the east, saying, Come,

curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel.

23:8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy,

whom the LORD hath not defied? 23:9 For from the top of the rocks I

see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people shall dwell

alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations.

23:10 Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth

part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last

end be like his! 23:11 And Balak said unto Balaam, What hast thou

done unto me? I took thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou

hast blessed them altogether.

23:12 And he answered and said, Must I not take heed to speak that

which the LORD hath put in my mouth? 23:13 And Balak said unto him,

Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence thou mayest

see them: thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not

see them all: and curse me them from thence.

23:14 And he brought him into the field of Zophim, to the top of

Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered a bullock and a ram on

every altar.

23:15 And he said unto Balak, Stand here by thy burnt offering, while

I meet the LORD yonder.

23:16 And the LORD met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said,

Go again unto Balak, and say thus.

23:17 And when he came to him, behold, he stood by his burnt offering,

and the princes of Moab with him. And Balak said unto him, What hath

the LORD spoken? 23:18 And he took up his parable, and said, Rise up,

Balak, and hear; hearken unto me, thou son of Zippor: 23:19 God is not

a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should

repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and

shall he not make it good? 23:20 Behold, I have received commandment

to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it.

23:21 He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen

perverseness in Israel: the LORD his God is with him, and the shout of

a king is among them.

23:22 God brought them out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength

of an unicorn.

23:23 Surely there is no enchantment against Jacob, neither is there

any divination against Israel: according to this time it shall be said

of Jacob and of Israel, What hath God wrought! 23:24 Behold, the

people shall rise up as a great lion, and lift up himself as a young

lion: he shall not lie down until he eat of the prey, and drink the

blood of the slain.

23:25 And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless

them at all.

23:26 But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee,

saying, All that the LORD speaketh, that I must do? 23:27 And Balak

said unto Balaam, Come, I pray thee, I will bring thee unto another

place; peradventure it will please God that thou mayest curse me them

from thence.

23:28 And Balak brought Balaam unto the top of Peor, that looketh

toward Jeshimon.

23:29 And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and

prepare me here seven bullocks and seven rams.

23:30 And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered a bullock and a

ram on every altar.

24:1 And when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he

went not, as at other times, to seek for enchantments, but he set his

face toward the wilderness.

24:2 And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel abiding in his

tents according to their tribes; and the spirit of God came upon him.

24:3 And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath

said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said: 24:4 He hath said,

which heard the words of God, which saw the vision of the Almighty,

falling into a trance, but having his eyes open: 24:5 How goodly are

thy tents, O Jacob, and thy tabernacles, O Israel! 24:6 As the

valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river's side, as the

trees of lign aloes which the LORD hath planted, and as cedar trees

beside the waters.

24:7 He shall pour the water out of his buckets, and his seed shall be

in many waters, and his king shall be higher than Agag, and his

kingdom shall be exalted.

24:8 God brought him forth out of Egypt; he hath as it were the

strength of an unicorn: he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and

shall break their bones, and pierce them through with his arrows.

24:9 He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall

stir him up? Blessed is he that blesseth thee, and cursed is he that

curseth thee.

24:10 And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he smote his

hands together: and Balak said unto Balaam, I called thee to curse

mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed them these

three times.

24:11 Therefore now flee thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee

unto great honour; but, lo, the LORD hath kept thee back from honour.

24:12 And Balaam said unto Balak, Spake I not also to thy messengers

which thou sentest unto me, saying, 24:13 If Balak would give me his

house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the commandment of

the LORD, to do either good or bad of mine own mind; but what the LORD

saith, that will I speak? 24:14 And now, behold, I go unto my people:

come therefore, and I will advertise thee what this people shall do to

thy people in the latter days.

24:15 And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor

hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said: 24:16 He hath

said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most

High, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling into a trance, but

having his eyes open: 24:17 I shall see him, but not now: I shall

behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a

Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab,

and destroy all the children of Sheth.

24:18 And Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession

for his enemies; and Israel shall do valiantly.

24:19 Out of Jacob shall come he that shall have dominion, and shall

destroy him that remaineth of the city.

24:20 And when he looked on Amalek, he took up his parable, and said,

Amalek was the first of the nations; but his latter end shall be that

he perish for ever.

24:21 And he looked on the Kenites, and took up his parable, and said,

Strong is thy dwellingplace, and thou puttest thy nest in a rock.

24:22 Nevertheless the Kenite shall be wasted, until Asshur shall

carry thee away captive.

24:23 And he took up his parable, and said, Alas, who shall live when

God doeth this! 24:24 And ships shall come from the coast of Chittim,

and shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict Eber, and he also shall

perish for ever.

24:25 And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place: and

Balak also went his way.

25:1 And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit

whoredom with the daughters of Moab.

25:2 And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and

the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods.

25:3 And Israel joined himself unto Baalpeor: and the anger of the

LORD was kindled against Israel.

25:4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the heads of the people,

and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce

anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.

25:5 And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, Slay ye every one his

men that were joined unto Baalpeor.

25:6 And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto

his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the

sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who were

weeping before the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

25:7 And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the

priest, saw it, he rose up from among the congregation, and took a

javelin in his hand; 25:8 And he went after the man of Israel into the

tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the

woman through her belly. So the plague was stayed from the children of

Israel.

25:9 And those that died in the plague were twenty and four thousand.

25:10 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 25:11 Phinehas, the son

of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned my wrath away

from the children of Israel, while he was zealous for my sake among

them, that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy.

25:12 Wherefore say, Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace:

25:13 And he shall have it, and his seed after him, even the covenant

of an everlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and

made an atonement for the children of Israel.

25:14 Now the name of the Israelite that was slain, even that was

slain with the Midianitish woman, was Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince

of a chief house among the Simeonites.

25:15 And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain was Cozbi,

the daughter of Zur; he was head over a people, and of a chief house

in Midian.

25:16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 25:17 Vex the Midianites,

and smite them: 25:18 For they vex you with their wiles, wherewith

they have beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of

Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian, their sister, which was

slain in the day of the plague for Peor's sake.

26:1 And it came to pass after the plague, that the LORD spake unto

Moses and unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying, 26:2 Take

the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, from twenty

years old and upward, throughout their fathers' house, all that are

able to go to war in Israel.

26:3 And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them in the plains of

Moab by Jordan near Jericho, saying, 26:4 Take the sum of the people,

from twenty years old and upward; as the LORD commanded Moses and the

children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt.

26:5 Reuben, the eldest son of Israel: the children of Reuben; Hanoch,

of whom cometh the family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of

the Palluites: 26:6 Of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Carmi,

the family of the Carmites.

26:7 These are the families of the Reubenites: and they that were

numbered of them were forty and three thousand and seven hundred and

thirty.

26:8 And the sons of Pallu; Eliab.

26:9 And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This is

that Dathan and Abiram, which were famous in the congregation, who

strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when

they strove against the LORD: 26:10 And the earth opened her mouth,

and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died,

what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they became

a sign.

26:11 Notwithstanding the children of Korah died not.

26:12 The sons of Simeon after their families: of Nemuel, the family

of the Nemuelites: of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: of Jachin,

the family of the Jachinites: 26:13 Of Zerah, the family of the

Zarhites: of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.

26:14 These are the families of the Simeonites, twenty and two

thousand and two hundred.

26:15 The children of Gad after their families: of Zephon, the family

of the Zephonites: of Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni, the

family of the Shunites: 26:16 Of Ozni, the family of the Oznites: of

Eri, the family of the Erites: 26:17 Of Arod, the family of the

Arodites: of Areli, the family of the Arelites.

26:18 These are the families of the children of Gad according to those

that were numbered of them, forty thousand and five hundred.

26:19 The sons of Judah were Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the

land of Canaan.

26:20 And the sons of Judah after their families were; of Shelah, the

family of the Shelanites: of Pharez, the family of the Pharzites: of

Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.

26:21 And the sons of Pharez were; of Hezron, the family of the

Hezronites: of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites.

26:22 These are the families of Judah according to those that were

numbered of them, threescore and sixteen thousand and five hundred.

26:23 Of the sons of Issachar after their families: of Tola, the

family of the Tolaites: of Pua, the family of the Punites: 26:24 Of

Jashub, the family of the Jashubites: of Shimron, the family of the

Shimronites.

26:25 These are the families of Issachar according to those that were

numbered of them, threescore and four thousand and three hundred.

26:26 Of the sons of Zebulun after their families: of Sered, the

family of the Sardites: of Elon, the family of the Elonites: of

Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.

26:27 These are the families of the Zebulunites according to those

that were numbered of them, threescore thousand and five hundred.

26:28 The sons of Joseph after their families were Manasseh and

Ephraim.

26:29 Of the sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the

Machirites: and Machir begat Gilead: of Gilead come the family of the

Gileadites.

26:30 These are the sons of Gilead: of Jeezer, the family of the

Jeezerites: of Helek, the family of the Helekites: 26:31 And of

Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and of Shechem, the family of

the Shechemites: 26:32 And of Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites:

and of Hepher, the family of the Hepherites.

26:33 And Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but daughters: and

the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah,

Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

26:34 These are the families of Manasseh, and those that were numbered

of them, fifty and two thousand and seven hundred.

26:35 These are the sons of Ephraim after their families: of

Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites: of Becher, the family of

the Bachrites: of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.

26:36 And these are the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the

Eranites.

26:37 These are the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those

that were numbered of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred.

These are the sons of Joseph after their families.

26:38 The sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family

of the Belaites: of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: of Ahiram,

the family of the Ahiramites: 26:39 Of Shupham, the family of the

Shuphamites: of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.

26:40 And the sons of Bela were Ard and Naaman: of Ard, the family of

the Ardites: and of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.

26:41 These are the sons of Benjamin after their families: and they

that were numbered of them were forty and five thousand and six

hundred.

26:42 These are the sons of Dan after their families: of Shuham, the

family of the Shuhamites. These are the families of Dan after their

families.

26:43 All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were

numbered of them, were threescore and four thousand and four hundred.

26:44 Of the children of Asher after their families: of Jimna, the

family of the Jimnites: of Jesui, the family of the Jesuites: of

Beriah, the family of the Beriites.

26:45 Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of

Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.

26:46 And the name of the daughter of Asher was Sarah.

26:47 These are the families of the sons of Asher according to those

that were numbered of them; who were fifty and three thousand and four

hundred.

26:48 Of the sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the

family of the Jahzeelites: of Guni, the family of the Gunites: 26:49

Of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: of Shillem, the family of the

Shillemites.

26:50 These are the families of Naphtali according to their families:

and they that were numbered of them were forty and five thousand and

four hundred.

26:51 These were the numbered of the children of Israel, six hundred

thousand and a thousand seven hundred and thirty.

26:52 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 26:53 Unto these the land

shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names.

26:54 To many thou shalt give the more inheritance, and to few thou

shalt give the less inheritance: to every one shall his inheritance be

given according to those that were numbered of him.

26:55 Notwithstanding the land shall be divided by lot: according to

the names of the tribes of their fathers they shall inherit.

26:56 According to the lot shall the possession thereof be divided

between many and few.

26:57 And these are they that were numbered of the Levites after their

families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the

family of the Kohathites: of Merari, the family of the Merarites.

26:58 These are the families of the Levites: the family of the

Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites,

the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korathites. And Kohath

begat Amram.

26:59 And the name of Amram's wife was Jochebed, the daughter of Levi,

whom her mother bare to Levi in Egypt: and she bare unto Amram Aaron

and Moses, and Miriam their sister.

26:60 And unto Aaron was born Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

26:61 And Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before

the LORD.

26:62 And those that were numbered of them were twenty and three

thousand, all males from a month old and upward: for they were not

numbered among the children of Israel, because there was no

inheritance given them among the children of Israel.

26:63 These are they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the

priest, who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by

Jordan near Jericho.

26:64 But among these there was not a man of them whom Moses and Aaron

the priest numbered, when they numbered the children of Israel in the

wilderness of Sinai.

26:65 For the LORD had said of them, They shall surely die in the

wilderness. And there was not left a man of them, save Caleb the son

of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

27:1 Then came the daughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son

of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of

Manasseh the son of Joseph: and these are the names of his daughters;

Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.

27:2 And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and

before the princes and all the congregation, by the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation, saying, 27:3 Our father died in the

wilderness, and he was not in the company of them that gathered

themselves together against the LORD in the company of Korah; but died

in his own sin, and had no sons.

27:4 Why should the name of our father be done away from among his

family, because he hath no son? Give unto us therefore a possession

among the brethren of our father.

27:5 And Moses brought their cause before the LORD.

27:6 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 27:7 The daughters of

Zelophehad speak right: thou shalt surely give them a possession of an

inheritance among their father's brethren; and thou shalt cause the

inheritance of their father to pass unto them.

27:8 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a

man die, and have no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass

unto his daughter.

27:9 And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance

unto his brethren.

27:10 And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance

unto his father's brethren.

27:11 And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his

inheritance unto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he

shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of Israel a

statute of judgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.

27:12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Get thee up into this mount

Abarim, and see the land which I have given unto the children of

Israel.

27:13 And when thou hast seen it, thou also shalt be gathered unto thy

people, as Aaron thy brother was gathered.

27:14 For ye rebelled against my commandment in the desert of Zin, in

the strife of the congregation, to sanctify me at the water before

their eyes: that is the water of Meribah in Kadesh in the wilderness

of Zin.

27:15 And Moses spake unto the LORD, saying, 27:16 Let the LORD, the

God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation,

27:17 Which may go out before them, and which may go in before them,

and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the

congregation of the LORD be not as sheep which have no shepherd.

27:18 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a

man in whom is the spirit, and lay thine hand upon him; 27:19 And set

him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and

give him a charge in their sight.

27:20 And thou shalt put some of thine honour upon him, that all the

congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient.

27:21 And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall ask

counsel for him after the judgment of Urim before the LORD: at his

word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, both he,

and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation.

27:22 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and

set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation:

27:23 And he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as the

LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

28:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 28:2 Command the children

of Israel, and say unto them, My offering, and my bread for my

sacrifices made by fire, for a sweet savour unto me, shall ye observe

to offer unto me in their due season.

28:3 And thou shalt say unto them, This is the offering made by fire

which ye shall offer unto the LORD; two lambs of the first year

without spot day by day, for a continual burnt offering.

28:4 The one lamb shalt thou offer in the morning, and the other lamb

shalt thou offer at even; 28:5 And a tenth part of an ephah of flour

for a meat offering, mingled with the fourth part of an hin of beaten

oil.

28:6 It is a continual burnt offering, which was ordained in mount

Sinai for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

28:7 And the drink offering thereof shall be the fourth part of an hin

for the one lamb: in the holy place shalt thou cause the strong wine

to be poured unto the LORD for a drink offering.

28:8 And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even: as the meat offering

of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer

it, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

28:9 And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot,

and two tenth deals of flour for a meat offering, mingled with oil,

and the drink offering thereof: 28:10 This is the burnt offering of

every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink

offering.

28:11 And in the beginnings of your months ye shall offer a burnt

offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, seven lambs

of the first year without spot; 28:12 And three tenth deals of flour

for a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one bullock; and two tenth

deals of flour for a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one ram;

28:13 And a several tenth deal of flour mingled with oil for a meat

offering unto one lamb; for a burnt offering of a sweet savour, a

sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

28:14 And their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine unto a

bullock, and the third part of an hin unto a ram, and a fourth part of

an hin unto a lamb: this is the burnt offering of every month

throughout the months of the year.

28:15 And one kid of the goats for a sin offering unto the LORD shall

be offered, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink

offering.

28:16 And in the fourteenth day of the first month is the passover of

the LORD.

28:17 And in the fifteenth day of this month is the feast: seven days

shall unleavened bread be eaten.

28:18 In the first day shall be an holy convocation; ye shall do no

manner of servile work therein: 28:19 But ye shall offer a sacrifice

made by fire for a burnt offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks,

and one ram, and seven lambs of the first year: they shall be unto you

without blemish: 28:20 And their meat offering shall be of flour

mingled with oil: three tenth deals shall ye offer for a bullock, and

two tenth deals for a ram; 28:21 A several tenth deal shalt thou offer

for every lamb, throughout the seven lambs: 28:22 And one goat for a

sin offering, to make an atonement for you.

28:23 Ye shall offer these beside the burnt offering in the morning,

which is for a continual burnt offering.

28:24 After this manner ye shall offer daily, throughout the seven

days, the meat of the sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto

the LORD: it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and

his drink offering.

28:25 And on the seventh day ye shall have an holy convocation; ye

shall do no servile work.

28:26 Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meat

offering unto the LORD, after your weeks be out, ye shall have an holy

convocation; ye shall do no servile work: 28:27 But ye shall offer the

burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; two young bullocks,

one ram, seven lambs of the first year; 28:28 And their meat offering

of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto one bullock, two

tenth deals unto one ram, 28:29 A several tenth deal unto one lamb,

throughout the seven lambs; 28:30 And one kid of the goats, to make an

atonement for you.

28:31 Ye shall offer them beside the continual burnt offering, and his

meat offering, (they shall be unto you without blemish) and their

drink offerings.

29:1 And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall

have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work: it is a day of

blowing the trumpets unto you.

29:2 And ye shall offer a burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the

LORD; one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs of the first year

without blemish: 29:3 And their meat offering shall be of flour

mingled with oil, three tenth deals for a bullock, and two tenth deals

for a ram, 29:4 And one tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven

lambs: 29:5 And one kid of the goats for a sin offering, to make an

atonement for you: 29:6 Beside the burnt offering of the month, and

his meat offering, and the daily burnt offering, and his meat

offering, and their drink offerings, according unto their manner, for

a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

29:7 And ye shall have on the tenth day of this seventh month an holy

convocation; and ye shall afflict your souls: ye shall not do any work

therein: 29:8 But ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD for a

sweet savour; one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs of the first

year; they shall be unto you without blemish: 29:9 And their meat

offering shall be of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals to a

bullock, and two tenth deals to one ram, 29:10 A several tenth deal

for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs: 29:11 One kid of the goats

for a sin offering; beside the sin offering of atonement, and the

continual burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drink

offerings.

29:12 And on the fifteenth day of the seventh month ye shall have an

holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a

feast unto the LORD seven days: 29:13 And ye shall offer a burnt

offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD;

thirteen young bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first

year; they shall be without blemish: 29:14 And their meat offering

shall be of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto every

bullock of the thirteen bullocks, two tenth deals to each ram of the

two rams, 29:15 And a several tenth deal to each lamb of the fourteen

lambs: 29:16 And one kid of the goats for a sin offering; beside the

continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:17 And on the second day ye shall offer twelve young bullocks, two

rams, fourteen lambs of the first year without spot: 29:18 And their

meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the

rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the

manner: 29:19 And one kid of the goats for a sin offering; beside the

continual burnt offering, and the meat offering thereof, and their

drink offerings.

29:20 And on the third day eleven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs

of the first year without blemish; 29:21 And their meat offering and

their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the

lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner: 29:22 And

one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and

his meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:23 And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs

of the first year without blemish: 29:24 Their meat offering and their

drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs,

shall be according to their number, after the manner: 29:25 And one

kid of the goats for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt

offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:26 And on the fifth day nine bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs

of the first year without spot: 29:27 And their meat offering and

their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the

lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner: 29:28 And

one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and

his meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:29 And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two rams, and fourteen

lambs of the first year without blemish: 29:30 And their meat offering

and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the

lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner: 29:31 And

one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his

meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:32 And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two rams, and fourteen

lambs of the first year without blemish: 29:33 And their meat offering

and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the

lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner: 29:34 And

one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his

meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:35 On the eighth day ye shall have a solemn assembly: ye shall do

no servile work therein: 29:36 But ye shall offer a burnt offering, a

sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: one bullock,

one ram, seven lambs of the first year without blemish: 29:37 Their

meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram,

and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the

manner: 29:38 And one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual

burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

29:39 These things ye shall do unto the LORD in your set feasts,

beside your vows, and your freewill offerings, for your burnt

offerings, and for your meat offerings, and for your drink offerings,

and for your peace offerings.

29:40 And Moses told the children of Israel according to all that the

LORD commanded Moses.

30:1 And Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes concerning the

children of Israel, saying, This is the thing which the LORD hath

commanded.

30:2 If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his

soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according

to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.

30:3 If a woman also vow a vow unto the LORD, and bind herself by a

bond, being in her father's house in her youth; 30:4 And her father

hear her vow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul, and her

father shall hold his peace at her; then all her vows shall stand, and

every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand.

30:5 But if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not

any of her vows, or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul,

shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive her, because her father

disallowed her.

30:6 And if she had at all an husband, when she vowed, or uttered

ought out of her lips, wherewith she bound her soul; 30:7 And her

husband heard it, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard

it: then her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her

soul shall stand.

30:8 But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard it;

then he shall make her vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered

with her lips, wherewith she bound her soul, of none effect: and the

LORD shall forgive her.

30:9 But every vow of a widow, and of her that is divorced, wherewith

they have bound their souls, shall stand against her.

30:10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a

bond with an oath; 30:11 And her husband heard it, and held his peace

at her, and disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and

every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

30:12 But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he

heard them; then whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her

vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband

hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her.

30:13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her

husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void.

30:14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to

day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which are

upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the

day that he heard them.

30:15 But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard

them; then he shall bear her iniquity.

30:16 These are the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between

a man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, being yet in

her youth in her father's house.

31:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 31:2 Avenge the children

of Israel of the Midianites: afterward shalt thou be gathered unto thy

people.

31:3 And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm some of yourselves

unto the war, and let them go against the Midianites, and avenge the

LORD of Midian.

31:4 Of every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel,

shall ye send to the war.

31:5 So there were delivered out of the thousands of Israel, a

thousand of every tribe, twelve thousand armed for war.

31:6 And Moses sent them to the war, a thousand of every tribe, them

and Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the holy

instruments, and the trumpets to blow in his hand.

31:7 And they warred against the Midianites, as the LORD commanded

Moses; and they slew all the males.

31:8 And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that

were slain; namely, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five

kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.

31:9 And the children of Israel took all the women of Midian captives,

and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all

their flocks, and all their goods.

31:10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all

their goodly castles, with fire.

31:11 And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, both of men and

of beasts.

31:12 And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto

Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the

children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by

Jordan near Jericho.

31:13 And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the

congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

31:14 And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the

captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from

the battle.

31:15 And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive?

31:16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel

of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor,

and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.

31:17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill

every woman that hath known man by lying with him.

31:18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying

with him, keep alive for yourselves.

31:19 And do ye abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath

killed any person, and whosoever hath touched any slain, purify both

yourselves and your captives on the third day, and on the seventh day.

31:20 And purify all your raiment, and all that is made of skins, and

all work of goats' hair, and all things made of wood.

31:21 And Eleazar the priest said unto the men of war which went to

the battle, This is the ordinance of the law which the LORD commanded

Moses; 31:22 Only the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the

tin, and the lead, 31:23 Every thing that may abide the fire, ye shall

make it go through the fire, and it shall be clean: nevertheless it

shall be purified with the water of separation: and all that abideth

not the fire ye shall make go through the water.

31:24 And ye shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall

be clean, and afterward ye shall come into the camp.

31:25 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 31:26 Take the sum of the

prey that was taken, both of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the

priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation: 31:27 And divide

the prey into two parts; between them that took the war upon them, who

went out to battle, and between all the congregation: 31:28 And levy a

tribute unto the Lord of the men of war which went out to battle: one

soul of five hundred, both of the persons, and of the beeves, and of

the asses, and of the sheep: 31:29 Take it of their half, and give it

unto Eleazar the priest, for an heave offering of the LORD.

31:30 And of the children of Israel's half, thou shalt take one

portion of fifty, of the persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of

the flocks, of all manner of beasts, and give them unto the Levites,

which keep the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD.

31:31 And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the LORD commanded

Moses.

31:32 And the booty, being the rest of the prey which the men of war

had caught, was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five

thousand sheep, 31:33 And threescore and twelve thousand beeves, 31:34

And threescore and one thousand asses, 31:35 And thirty and two

thousand persons in all, of women that had not known man by lying with

him.

31:36 And the half, which was the portion of them that went out to

war, was in number three hundred thousand and seven and thirty

thousand and five hundred sheep: 31:37 And the LORD's tribute of the

sheep was six hundred and threescore and fifteen.

31:38 And the beeves were thirty and six thousand; of which the LORD's

tribute was threescore and twelve.

31:39 And the asses were thirty thousand and five hundred; of which

the LORD's tribute was threescore and one.

31:40 And the persons were sixteen thousand; of which the LORD's

tribute was thirty and two persons.

31:41 And Moses gave the tribute, which was the LORD's heave offering,

unto Eleazar the priest, as the LORD commanded Moses.

31:42 And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses divided from

the men that warred, 31:43 (Now the half that pertained unto the

congregation was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand and seven

thousand and five hundred sheep, 31:44 And thirty and six thousand

beeves, 31:45 And thirty thousand asses and five hundred, 31:46 And

sixteen thousand persons;) 31:47 Even of the children of Israel's

half, Moses took one portion of fifty, both of man and of beast, and

gave them unto the Levites, which kept the charge of the tabernacle of

the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.

31:48 And the officers which were over thousands of the host, the

captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds, came near unto Moses:

31:49 And they said unto Moses, Thy servants have taken the sum of the

men of war which are under our charge, and there lacketh not one man

of us.

31:50 We have therefore brought an oblation for the LORD, what every

man hath gotten, of jewels of gold, chains, and bracelets, rings,

earrings, and tablets, to make an atonement for our souls before the

LORD.

31:51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, even all

wrought jewels.

31:52 And all the gold of the offering that they offered up to the

LORD, of the captains of thousands, and of the captains of hundreds,

was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels.

31:53 (For the men of war had taken spoil, every man for himself.)

31:54 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains

of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the tabernacle of

the congregation, for a memorial for the children of Israel before the

LORD.

32:1 Now the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very

great multitude of cattle: and when they saw the land of Jazer, and

the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place was a place for cattle;

32:2 The children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake

unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the

congregation, saying, 32:3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and Nimrah,

and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Shebam, and Nebo, and Beon, 32:4 Even

the country which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, is

a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle: 32:5 Wherefore, said

they, if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto

thy servants for a possession, and bring us not over Jordan.

32:6 And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of

Reuben, Shall your brethren go to war, and shall ye sit here? 32:7

And wherefore discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from

going over into the land which the LORD hath given them? 32:8 Thus

did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadeshbarnea to see the land.

32:9 For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the

land, they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel, that they

should not go into the land which the LORD had given them.

32:10 And the LORD's anger was kindled the same time, and he sware,

saying, 32:11 Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from

twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware unto

Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly

followed me: 32:12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and

Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed the LORD.

32:13 And the LORD's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made

them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation,

that had done evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed.

32:14 And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase

of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward

Israel.

32:15 For if ye turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them

in the wilderness; and ye shall destroy all this people.

32:16 And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds

here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones: 32:17 But we

ourselves will go ready armed before the children of Israel, until we

have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in

the fenced cities because of the inhabitants of the land.

32:18 We will not return unto our houses, until the children of Israel

have inherited every man his inheritance.

32:19 For we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or

forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan

eastward.

32:20 And Moses said unto them, If ye will do this thing, if ye will

go armed before the LORD to war, 32:21 And will go all of you armed

over Jordan before the LORD, until he hath driven out his enemies from

before him, 32:22 And the land be subdued before the LORD: then

afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless before the LORD, and

before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before the LORD.

32:23 But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the

LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out.

32:24 Build you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep;

and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth.

32:25 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spake unto

Moses, saying, Thy servants will do as my lord commandeth.

32:26 Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle,

shall be there in the cities of Gilead: 32:27 But thy servants will

pass over, every man armed for war, before the LORD to battle, as my

lord saith.

32:28 So concerning them Moses commanded Eleazar the priest, and

Joshua the son of Nun, and the chief fathers of the tribes of the

children of Israel: 32:29 And Moses said unto them, If the children of

Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over Jordan, every

man armed to battle, before the LORD, and the land shall be subdued

before you; then ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a

possession: 32:30 But if they will not pass over with you armed, they

shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan.

32:31 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered,

saying, As the LORD hath said unto thy servants, so will we do.

32:32 We will pass over armed before the LORD into the land of Canaan,

that the possession of our inheritance on this side Jordan may be

ours.

32:33 And Moses gave unto them, even to the children of Gad, and to

the children of Reuben, and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of

Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of

Og king of Bashan, the land, with the cities thereof in the coasts,

even the cities of the country round about.

32:34 And the children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer,

32:35 And Atroth, Shophan, and Jaazer, and Jogbehah, 32:36 And

Bethnimrah, and Bethharan, fenced cities: and folds for sheep.

32:37 And the children of Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and

Kirjathaim, 32:38 And Nebo, and Baalmeon, (their names being changed,)

and Shibmah: and gave other names unto the cities which they builded.

32:39 And the children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead,

and took it, and dispossessed the Amorite which was in it.

32:40 And Moses gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he

dwelt therein.

32:41 And Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the small towns

thereof, and called them Havothjair.

32:42 And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the villages thereof, and

called it Nobah, after his own name.

33:1 These are the journeys of the children of Israel, which went

forth out of the land of Egypt with their armies under the hand of

Moses and Aaron.

33:2 And Moses wrote their goings out according to their journeys by

the commandment of the LORD: and these are their journeys according to

their goings out.

33:3 And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the

fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the passover the

children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the

Egyptians.

33:4 For the Egyptians buried all their firstborn, which the LORD had

smitten among them: upon their gods also the LORD executed judgments.

33:5 And the children of Israel removed from Rameses, and pitched in

Succoth.

33:6 And they departed from Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which is in

the edge of the wilderness.

33:7 And they removed from Etham, and turned again unto Pihahiroth,

which is before Baalzephon: and they pitched before Migdol.

33:8 And they departed from before Pihahiroth, and passed through the

midst of the sea into the wilderness, and went three days' journey in

the wilderness of Etham, and pitched in Marah.

33:9 And they removed from Marah, and came unto Elim: and in Elim were

twelve fountains of water, and threescore and ten palm trees; and they

pitched there.

33:10 And they removed from Elim, and encamped by the Red sea.

33:11 And they removed from the Red sea, and encamped in the

wilderness of Sin.

33:12 And they took their journey out of the wilderness of Sin, and

encamped in Dophkah.

33:13 And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush.

33:14 And they removed from Alush, and encamped at Rephidim, where was

no water for the people to drink.

33:15 And they departed from Rephidim, and pitched in the wilderness

of Sinai.

33:16 And they removed from the desert of Sinai, and pitched at

Kibrothhattaavah.

33:17 And they departed from Kibrothhattaavah, and encamped at

Hazeroth.

33:18 And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in Rithmah.

33:19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmonparez.

33:20 And they departed from Rimmonparez, and pitched in Libnah.

33:21 And they removed from Libnah, and pitched at Rissah.

33:22 And they journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.

33:23 And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.

33:24 And they removed from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.

33:25 And they removed from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.

33:26 And they removed from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.

33:27 And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.

33:28 And they removed from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.

33:29 And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.

33:30 And they departed from Hashmonah, and encamped at Moseroth.

33:31 And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Benejaakan.

33:32 And they removed from Benejaakan, and encamped at Horhagidgad.

33:33 And they went from Horhagidgad, and pitched in Jotbathah.

33:34 And they removed from Jotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.

33:35 And they departed from Ebronah, and encamped at Eziongaber.

33:36 And they removed from Eziongaber, and pitched in the wilderness

of Zin, which is Kadesh.

33:37 And they removed from Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the

edge of the land of Edom.

33:38 And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment

of the LORD, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children

of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first day of the

fifth month.

33:39 And Aaron was an hundred and twenty and three years old when he

died in mount Hor.

33:40 And king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south in the

land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the children of Israel.

33:41 And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.

33:42 And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.

33:43 And they departed from Punon, and pitched in Oboth.

33:44 And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in Ijeabarim, in the

border of Moab.

33:45 And they departed from Iim, and pitched in Dibongad.

33:46 And they removed from Dibongad, and encamped in Almondiblathaim.

33:47 And they removed from Almondiblathaim, and pitched in the

mountains of Abarim, before Nebo.

33:48 And they departed from the mountains of Abarim, and pitched in

the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho.

33:49 And they pitched by Jordan, from Bethjesimoth even unto

Abelshittim in the plains of Moab.

33:50 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan

near Jericho, saying, 33:51 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say

unto them, When ye are passed over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

33:52 Then ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from

before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their

molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places: 33:53 And

ye shall dispossess the inhabitants of the land, and dwell therein:

for I have given you the land to possess it.

33:54 And ye shall divide the land by lot for an inheritance among

your families: and to the more ye shall give the more inheritance, and

to the fewer ye shall give the less inheritance: every man's

inheritance shall be in the place where his lot falleth; according to

the tribes of your fathers ye shall inherit.

33:55 But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from

before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain

of them shall be pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and

shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.

33:56 Moreover it shall come to pass, that I shall do unto you, as I

thought to do unto them.

34:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 34:2 Command the children

of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land of Canaan;

(this is the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance, even

the land of Canaan with the coasts thereof:) 34:3 Then your south

quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the coast of

Edom, and your south border shall be the outmost coast of the salt sea

eastward: 34:4 And your border shall turn from the south to the ascent

of Akrabbim, and pass on to Zin: and the going forth thereof shall be

from the south to Kadeshbarnea, and shall go on to Hazaraddar, and

pass on to Azmon: 34:5 And the border shall fetch a compass from Azmon

unto the river of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the sea.

34:6 And as for the western border, ye shall even have the great sea

for a border: this shall be your west border.

34:7 And this shall be your north border: from the great sea ye shall

point out for you mount Hor: 34:8 From mount Hor ye shall point out

your border unto the entrance of Hamath; and the goings forth of the

border shall be to Zedad: 34:9 And the border shall go on to Ziphron,

and the goings out of it shall be at Hazarenan: this shall be your

north border.

34:10 And ye shall point out your east border from Hazarenan to

Shepham: 34:11 And the coast shall go down from Shepham to Riblah, on

the east side of Ain; and the border shall descend, and shall reach

unto the side of the sea of Chinnereth eastward: 34:12 And the border

shall go down to Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at the salt

sea: this shall be your land with the coasts thereof round about.

34:13 And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, This is the

land which ye shall inherit by lot, which the LORD commanded to give

unto the nine tribes, and to the half tribe: 34:14 For the tribe of

the children of Reuben according to the house of their fathers, and

the tribe of the children of Gad according to the house of their

fathers, have received their inheritance; and half the tribe of

Manasseh have received their inheritance: 34:15 The two tribes and the

half tribe have received their inheritance on this side Jordan near

Jericho eastward, toward the sunrising.

34:16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 34:17 These are the names

of the men which shall divide the land unto you: Eleazar the priest,

and Joshua the son of Nun.

34:18 And ye shall take one prince of every tribe, to divide the land

by inheritance.

34:19 And the names of the men are these: Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb

the son of Jephunneh.

34:20 And of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of

Ammihud.

34:21 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon.

34:22 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Dan, Bukki the

son of Jogli.

34:23 The prince of the children of Joseph, for the tribe of the

children of Manasseh, Hanniel the son of Ephod.

34:24 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Ephraim, Kemuel

the son of Shiphtan.

34:25 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Zebulun,

Elizaphan the son of Parnach.

34:26 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Issachar, Paltiel

the son of Azzan.

34:27 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Asher, Ahihud the

son of Shelomi.

34:28 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, Pedahel

the son of Ammihud.

34:29 These are they whom the LORD commanded to divide the inheritance

unto the children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

35:1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan

near Jericho, saying, 35:2 Command the children of Israel, that they

give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession cities to

dwell in; and ye shall give also unto the Levites suburbs for the

cities round about them.

35:3 And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and the suburbs of

them shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their

beasts.

35:4 And the suburbs of the cities, which ye shall give unto the

Levites, shall reach from the wall of the city and outward a thousand

cubits round about.

35:5 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two

thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the

west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand

cubits; and the city shall be in the midst: this shall be to them the

suburbs of the cities.

35:6 And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites there

shall be six cities for refuge, which ye shall appoint for the

manslayer, that he may flee thither: and to them ye shall add forty

and two cities.

35:7 So all the cities which ye shall give to the Levites shall be

forty and eight cities: them shall ye give with their suburbs.

35:8 And the cities which ye shall give shall be of the possession of

the children of Israel: from them that have many ye shall give many;

but from them that have few ye shall give few: every one shall give of

his cities unto the Levites according to his inheritance which he

inheriteth.

35:9 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 35:10 Speak unto the

children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come over Jordan

into the land of Canaan; 35:11 Then ye shall appoint you cities to be

cities of refuge for you; that the slayer may flee thither, which

killeth any person at unawares.

35:12 And they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the avenger;

that the manslayer die not, until he stand before the congregation in

judgment.

35:13 And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ye have

for refuge.

35:14 Ye shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities

shall ye give in the land of Canaan, which shall be cities of refuge.

35:15 These six cities shall be a refuge, both for the children of

Israel, and for the stranger, and for the sojourner among them: that

every one that killeth any person unawares may flee thither.

35:16 And if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die,

he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

35:17 And if he smite him with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die,

and he die, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to

death.

35:18 Or if he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may

die, and he die, he is a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to

death.

35:19 The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he

meeteth him, he shall slay him.

35:20 But if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laying of

wait, that he die; 35:21 Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he

die: he that smote him shall surely be put to death; for he is a

murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he

meeteth him.

35:22 But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon

him any thing without laying of wait, 35:23 Or with any stone,

wherewith a man may die, seeing him not, and cast it upon him, that he

die, and was not his enemy, neither sought his harm: 35:24 Then the

congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood

according to these judgments: 35:25 And the congregation shall deliver

the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the

congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he

was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest,

which was anointed with the holy oil.

35:26 But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of

the city of his refuge, whither he was fled; 35:27 And the revenger of

blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the

revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:

35:28 Because he should have remained in the city of his refuge until

the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest

the slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

35:29 So these things shall be for a statute of judgment unto you

throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

35:30 Whoso killeth any person, the murderer shall be put to death by

the mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any

person to cause him to die.

35:31 Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the life of a

murderer, which is guilty of death: but he shall be surely put to

death.

35:32 And ye shall take no satisfaction for him that is fled to the

city of his refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land,

until the death of the priest.

35:33 So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye are: for blood it

defileth the land: and the land cannot be cleansed of the blood that

is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed it.

35:34 Defile not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I

dwell: for I the LORD dwell among the children of Israel.

36:1 And the chief fathers of the families of the children of Gilead,

the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of

Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses, and before the princes, the

chief fathers of the children of Israel: 36:2 And they said, The LORD

commanded my lord to give the land for an inheritance by lot to the

children of Israel: and my lord was commanded by the LORD to give the

inheritance of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters.

36:3 And if they be married to any of the sons of the other tribes of

the children of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken from the

inheritance of our fathers, and shall be put to the inheritance of the

tribe whereunto they are received: so shall it be taken from the lot

of our inheritance.

36:4 And when the jubile of the children of Israel shall be, then

shall their inheritance be put unto the inheritance of the tribe

whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance be taken away

from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.

36:5 And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word

of the LORD, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.

36:6 This is the thing which the LORD doth command concerning the

daughters of Zelophehad, saying, Let them marry to whom they think

best; only to the family of the tribe of their father shall they

marry.

36:7 So shall not the inheritance of the children of Israel remove

from tribe to tribe: for every one of the children of Israel shall

keep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

36:8 And every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe

of the children of Israel, shall be wife unto one of the family of the

tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may enjoy every man

the inheritance of his fathers.

36:9 Neither shall the inheritance remove from one tribe to another

tribe; but every one of the tribes of the children of Israel shall

keep himself to his own inheritance.

36:10 Even as the LORD commanded Moses, so did the daughters of

Zelophehad: 36:11 For Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and

Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married unto their father's

brothers' sons: 36:12 And they were married into the families of the

sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, and their inheritance remained in

the tribe of the family of their father.

36:13 These are the commandments and the judgments, which the LORD

commanded by the hand of Moses unto the children of Israel in the

plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho.

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1:1 These be the words which Moses spake unto all Israel on this side

Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against the Red sea,

between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.

1:2 (There are eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of mount

Seir unto Kadeshbarnea.) 1:3 And it came to pass in the fortieth

year, in the eleventh month, on the first day of the month, that Moses

spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD

had given him in commandment unto them; 1:4 After he had slain Sihon

the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of

Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei: 1:5 On this side Jordan, in

the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying, 1:6 The

LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough

in this mount: 1:7 Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the

mount of the Amorites, and unto all the places nigh thereunto, in the

plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea

side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great

river, the river Euphrates.

1:8 Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land

which the LORD sware unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to

give unto them and to their seed after them.

1:9 And I spake unto you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear

you myself alone: 1:10 The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and,

behold, ye are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.

1:11 (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many

more as ye are, and bless you, as he hath promised you!) 1:12 How can

I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?

1:13 Take you wise men, and understanding, and known among your

tribes, and I will make them rulers over you.

1:14 And ye answered me, and said, The thing which thou hast spoken is

good for us to do.

1:15 So I took the chief of your tribes, wise men, and known, and made

them heads over you, captains over thousands, and captains over

hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and

officers among your tribes.

1:16 And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear the causes

between your brethren, and judge righteously between every man and his

brother, and the stranger that is with him.

1:17 Ye shall not respect persons in judgment; but ye shall hear the

small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man;

for the judgment is God's: and the cause that is too hard for you,

bring it unto me, and I will hear it.

1:18 And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should

do.

1:19 And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great

and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of

the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and we came to

Kadeshbarnea.

1:20 And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the

Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give unto us.

1:21 Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up and

possess it, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; fear

not, neither be discouraged.

1:22 And ye came near unto me every one of you, and said, We will send

men before us, and they shall search us out the land, and bring us

word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall

come.

1:23 And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one

of a tribe: 1:24 And they turned and went up into the mountain, and

came unto the valley of Eshcol, and searched it out.

1:25 And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and

brought it down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, It is a

good land which the LORD our God doth give us.

1:26 Notwithstanding ye would not go up, but rebelled against the

commandment of the LORD your God: 1:27 And ye murmured in your tents,

and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought us forth out of

the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to

destroy us.

1:28 Whither shall we go up? our brethren have discouraged our heart,

saying, The people is greater and taller than we; the cities are great

and walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the

Anakims there.

1:29 Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.

1:30 The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you,

according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes; 1:31

And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God

bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went,

until ye came into this place.

1:32 Yet in this thing ye did not believe the LORD your God, 1:33 Who

went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your

tents in, in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and

in a cloud by day.

1:34 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and

sware, saying, 1:35 Surely there shall not one of these men of this

evil generation see that good land, which I sware to give unto your

fathers.

1:36 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will

I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his children,

because he hath wholly followed the LORD.

1:37 Also the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also

shalt not go in thither.

1:38 But Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth before thee, he shall

go in thither: encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it.

1:39 Moreover your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and

your children, which in that day had no knowledge between good and

evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it, and they

shall possess it.

1:40 But as for you, turn you, and take your journey into the

wilderness by the way of the Red sea.

1:41 Then ye answered and said unto me, We have sinned against the

LORD, we will go up and fight, according to all that the LORD our God

commanded us.

And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready

to go up into the hill.

1:42 And the LORD said unto me, Say unto them. Go not up, neither

fight; for I am not among you; lest ye be smitten before your enemies.

1:43 So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear, but rebelled against

the commandment of the LORD, and went presumptuously up into the hill.

1:44 And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against

you, and chased you, as bees do, and destroyed you in Seir, even unto

Hormah.

1:45 And ye returned and wept before the LORD; but the LORD would not

hearken to your voice, nor give ear unto you.

1:46 So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye

abode there.

2:1 Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the

way of the Red sea, as the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount

Seir many days.

2:2 And the LORD spake unto me, saying, 2:3 Ye have compassed this

mountain long enough: turn you northward.

2:4 And command thou the people, saying, Ye are to pass through the

coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and

they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves

therefore: 2:5 Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their

land, no, not so much as a foot breadth; because I have given mount

Seir unto Esau for a possession.

2:6 Ye shall buy meat of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall

also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink.

2:7 For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy

hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these

forty years the LORD thy God hath been with thee; thou hast lacked

nothing.

2:8 And when we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau,

which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain from Elath, and from

Eziongaber, we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.

2:9 And the LORD said unto me, Distress not the Moabites, neither

contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land

for a possession; because I have given Ar unto the children of Lot for

a possession.

2:10 The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many,

and tall, as the Anakims; 2:11 Which also were accounted giants, as

the Anakims; but the Moabites called them Emims.

2:12 The Horims also dwelt in Seir beforetime; but the children of

Esau succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them,

and dwelt in their stead; as Israel did unto the land of his

possession, which the LORD gave unto them.

2:13 Now rise up, said I, and get you over the brook Zered. And we

went over the brook Zered.

2:14 And the space in which we came from Kadeshbarnea, until we were

come over the brook Zered, was thirty and eight years; until all the

generation of the men of war were wasted out from among the host, as

the LORD sware unto them.

2:15 For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them

from among the host, until they were consumed.

2:16 So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and

dead from among the people, 2:17 That the LORD spake unto me, saying,

2:18 Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab, this day:

2:19 And when thou comest nigh over against the children of Ammon,

distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of

the land of the children of Ammon any possession; because I have given

it unto the children of Lot for a possession.

2:20 (That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein

in old time; and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims; 2:21 A people

great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed them

before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead: 2:22

As he did to the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, when he

destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and

dwelt in their stead even unto this day: 2:23 And the Avims which

dwelt in Hazerim, even unto Azzah, the Caphtorims, which came forth

out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.) 2:24 Rise

ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I

have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his

land: begin to possess it, and contend with him in battle.

2:25 This day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of

thee upon the nations that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear

report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.

2:26 And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto

Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying, 2:27 Let me pass

through thy land: I will go along by the high way, I will neither turn

unto the right hand nor to the left.

2:28 Thou shalt sell me meat for money, that I may eat; and give me

water for money, that I may drink: only I will pass through on my

feet; 2:29 (As the children of Esau which dwell in Seir, and the

Moabites which dwell in Ar, did unto me;) until I shall pass over

Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us.

2:30 But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the

LORD thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that

he might deliver him into thy hand, as appeareth this day.

2:31 And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have begun to give Sihon and

his land before thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his

land.

2:32 Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to fight

at Jahaz.

2:33 And the LORD our God delivered him before us; and we smote him,

and his sons, and all his people.

2:34 And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed

the men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left

none to remain: 2:35 Only the cattle we took for a prey unto

ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we took.

2:36 From Aroer, which is by the brink of the river of Arnon, and from

the city that is by the river, even unto Gilead, there was not one

city too strong for us: the LORD our God delivered all unto us: 2:37

Only unto the land of the children of Ammon thou camest not, nor unto

any place of the river Jabbok, nor unto the cities in the mountains,

nor unto whatsoever the LORD our God forbad us.

3:1 Then we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and Og the king of

Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.

3:2 And the LORD said unto me, Fear him not: for I will deliver him,

and all his people, and his land, into thy hand; and thou shalt do

unto him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at

Heshbon.

3:3 So the LORD our God delivered into our hands Og also, the king of

Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him until none was left to

him remaining.

3:4 And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city

which we took not from them, threescore cities, all the region of

Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.

3:5 All these cities were fenced with high walls, gates, and bars;

beside unwalled towns a great many.

3:6 And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of

Heshbon, utterly destroying the men, women, and children, of every

city.

3:7 But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a

prey to ourselves.

3:8 And we took at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the

Amorites the land that was on this side Jordan, from the river of

Arnon unto mount Hermon; 3:9 (Which Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion;

and the Amorites call it Shenir;) 3:10 All the cities of the plain,

and all Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salchah and Edrei, cities of the

kingdom of Og in Bashan.

3:11 For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants;

behold his bedstead was a bedstead of iron; is it not in Rabbath of

the children of Ammon? nine cubits was the length thereof, and four

cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.

3:12 And this land, which we possessed at that time, from Aroer, which

is by the river Arnon, and half mount Gilead, and the cities thereof,

gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites.

3:13 And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, being the kingdom of Og,

gave I unto the half tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with

all Bashan, which was called the land of giants.

3:14 Jair the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob unto the

coasts of Geshuri and Maachathi; and called them after his own name,

Bashanhavothjair, unto this day.

3:15 And I gave Gilead unto Machir.

3:16 And unto the Reubenites and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead

even unto the river Arnon half the valley, and the border even unto

the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon; 3:17

The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast thereof, from Chinnereth

even unto the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, under Ashdothpisgah

eastward.

3:18 And I commanded you at that time, saying, The LORD your God hath

given you this land to possess it: ye shall pass over armed before

your brethren the children of Israel, all that are meet for the war.

3:19 But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (for I

know that ye have much cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I

have given you; 3:20 Until the LORD have given rest unto your

brethren, as well as unto you, and until they also possess the land

which the LORD your God hath given them beyond Jordan: and then shall

ye return every man unto his possession, which I have given you.

3:21 And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thine eyes have seen

all that the LORD your God hath done unto these two kings: so shall

the LORD do unto all the kingdoms whither thou passest.

3:22 Ye shall not fear them: for the LORD your God he shall fight for

you.

3:23 And I besought the LORD at that time, saying, 3:24 O Lord GOD,

thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty

hand: for what God is there in heaven or in earth, that can do

according to thy works, and according to thy might? 3:25 I pray thee,

let me go over, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan, that

goodly mountain, and Lebanon.

3:26 But the LORD was wroth with me for your sakes, and would not hear

me: and the LORD said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto

me of this matter.

3:27 Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes

westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold it

with thine eyes: for thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

3:28 But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he

shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit

the land which thou shalt see.

3:29 So we abode in the valley over against Bethpeor.

4:1 Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the

judgments, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go

in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

4:2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall

ye diminish ought from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the

LORD your God which I command you.

4:3 Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of Baalpeor: for all

the men that followed Baalpeor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them

from among you.

4:4 But ye that did cleave unto the LORD your God are alive every one

of you this day.

4:5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD

my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to

possess it.

4:6 Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your

understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these

statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and

understanding people.

4:7 For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them,

as the LORD our God is in all things that we call upon him for? 4:8

And what nation is there so great, that hath statutes and judgments so

righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day? 4:9 Only

take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget

the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy

heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons'

sons; 4:10 Specially the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy

God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Gather me the people

together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to

fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and that

they may teach their children.

4:11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain

burned with fire unto the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and

thick darkness.

4:12 And the LORD spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye

heard the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; only ye heard a

voice.

4:13 And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to

perform, even ten commandments; and he wrote them upon two tables of

stone.

4:14 And the LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and

judgments, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to

possess it.

4:15 Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves; for ye saw no manner

of similitude on the day that the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of

the midst of the fire: 4:16 Lest ye corrupt yourselves, and make you a

graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or

female, 4:17 The likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the

likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air, 4:18 The likeness

of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish

that is in the waters beneath the earth: 4:19 And lest thou lift up

thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and

the stars, even all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship

them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all

nations under the whole heaven.

4:20 But the LORD hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the

iron furnace, even out of Egypt, to be unto him a people of

inheritance, as ye are this day.

4:21 Furthermore the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, and sware

that I should not go over Jordan, and that I should not go in unto

that good land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance:

4:22 But I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but ye

shall go over, and possess that good land.

4:23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the

LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image, or

the likeness of any thing, which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.

4:24 For the LORD thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God.

4:25 When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye

shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves,

and make a graven image, or the likeness of any thing, and shall do

evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger: 4:26 I

call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall

soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to

possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly

be destroyed.

4:27 And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be

left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.

4:28 And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and

stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.

4:29 But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt

find him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

4:30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon

thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and

shalt be obedient unto his voice; 4:31 (For the LORD thy God is a

merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor

forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.

4:32 For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee,

since the day that God created man upon the earth, and ask from the

one side of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been any such

thing as this great thing is, or hath been heard like it? 4:33 Did

ever people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the

fire, as thou hast heard, and live? 4:34 Or hath God assayed to go

and take him a nation from the midst of another nation, by

temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty

hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to

all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?

4:35 Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he

is God; there is none else beside him.

4:36 Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might

instruct thee: and upon earth he shewed thee his great fire; and thou

heardest his words out of the midst of the fire.

4:37 And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed

after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power

out of Egypt; 4:38 To drive out nations from before thee greater and

mightier than thou art, to bring thee in, to give thee their land for

an inheritance, as it is this day.

4:39 Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the

LORD he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is

none else.

4:40 Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments,

which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with

thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days upon

the earth, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever.

4:41 Then Moses severed three cities on this side Jordan toward the

sunrising; 4:42 That the slayer might flee thither, which should kill

his neighbour unawares, and hated him not in times past; and that

fleeing unto one of these cities he might live: 4:43 Namely, Bezer in

the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and Ramoth in

Gilead, of the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, of the Manassites.

4:44 And this is the law which Moses set before the children of

Israel: 4:45 These are the testimonies, and the statutes, and the

judgments, which Moses spake unto the children of Israel, after they

came forth out of Egypt.

4:46 On this side Jordan, in the valley over against Bethpeor, in the

land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses

and the children of Israel smote, after they were come forth out of

Egypt: 4:47 And they possessed his land, and the land of Og king of

Bashan, two kings of the Amorites, which were on this side Jordan

toward the sunrising; 4:48 From Aroer, which is by the bank of the

river Arnon, even unto mount Sion, which is Hermon, 4:49 And all the

plain on this side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain,

under the springs of Pisgah.

5:1 And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel,

the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that

ye may learn them, and keep, and do them.

5:2 The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb.

5:3 The LORD made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us,

even us, who are all of us here alive this day.

5:4 The LORD talked with you face to face in the mount out of the

midst of the fire, 5:5 (I stood between the LORD and you at that time,

to shew you the word of the LORD: for ye were afraid by reason of the

fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying, 5:6 I am the LORD thy

God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of

bondage.

5:7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me.

5:8 Thou shalt not make thee any graven image, or any likeness of any

thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or

that is in the waters beneath the earth: 5:9 Thou shalt not bow down

thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous

God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the

third and fourth generation of them that hate me, 5:10 And shewing

mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.

5:11 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the

LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

5:12 Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath

commanded thee.

5:13 Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work: 5:14 But the

seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not

do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant,

nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy

cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; that thy manservant

and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.

5:15 And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and

that the LORD thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand

and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee

to keep the sabbath day.

5:16 Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath

commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go

well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

5:17 Thou shalt not kill.

5:18 Neither shalt thou commit adultery.

5:19 Neither shalt thou steal.

5:20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.

5:21 Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt

thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his

maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any thing that is thy neighbour's.

5:22 These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the mount

out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness,

with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two

tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

5:23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of

the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near

unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders; 5:24 And

ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us his glory and his

greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire:

we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth.

5:25 Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume

us: if we hear the voice of the LORD our God any more, then we shall

die.

5:26 For who is there of all flesh, that hath heard the voice of the

living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have, and

lived? 5:27 Go thou near, and hear all that the LORD our God shall

say: and speak thou unto us all that the LORD our God shall speak unto

thee; and we will hear it, and do it.

5:28 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto

me; and the LORD said unto me, I have heard the voice of the words of

this people, which they have spoken unto thee: they have well said all

that they have spoken.

5:29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me,

and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them,

and with their children for ever! 5:30 Go say to them, Get you into

your tents again.

5:31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak unto

thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which

thou shalt teach them, that they may do them in the land which I give

them to possess it.

5:32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath

commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the

left.

5:33 Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath

commanded you, that ye may live, and that it may be well with you, and

that ye may prolong your days in the land which ye shall possess.

6:1 Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments,

which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them

in the land whither ye go to possess it: 6:2 That thou mightest fear

the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which

I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of

thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.

6:3 Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be

well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of

thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and

honey.

6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: 6:5 And thou shalt

love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and

with all thy might.

6:6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine

heart: 6:7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and

shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou

walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

6:8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they

shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

6:9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy

gates.

6:10 And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee

into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac,

and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou

buildedst not, 6:11 And houses full of all good things, which thou

filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and

olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and

be full; 6:12 Then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought

thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

6:13 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear

by his name.

6:14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which

are round about you; 6:15 (For the LORD thy God is a jealous God among

you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and

destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

6:16 Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted him in

Massah.

6:17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God,

and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

6:18 And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of

the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in

and possess the good land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers.

6:19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath

spoken.

6:20 And when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean

the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD

our God hath commanded you? 6:21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We

were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt

with a mighty hand: 6:22 And the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great

and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before

our eyes: 6:23 And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring

us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our fathers.

6:24 And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the

LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as

it is at this day.

6:25 And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these

commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

7:1 When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou

goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the

Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites,

and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations

greater and mightier than thou; 7:2 And when the LORD thy God shall

deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy

them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:

7:3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou

shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy

son.

7:4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may

serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against

you, and destroy thee suddenly.

7:5 But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars,

and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their

graven images with fire.

7:6 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy

God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all

people that are upon the face of the earth.

7:7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye

were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all

people: 7:8 But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep

the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought

you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of

bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

7:9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God,

which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his

commandments to a thousand generations; 7:10 And repayeth them that

hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him

that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.

7:11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and

the judgments, which I command thee this day, to do them.

7:12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these

judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God shall keep

unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers:

7:13 And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will

also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn,

and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks

of thy sheep, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give

thee.

7:14 Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male

or female barren among you, or among your cattle.

7:15 And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put

none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but

will lay them upon all them that hate thee.

7:16 And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God

shall deliver thee; thine eye shall have no pity upon them: neither

shalt thou serve their gods; for that will be a snare unto thee.

7:17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations are more than I;

how can I dispossess them? 7:18 Thou shalt not be afraid of them: but

shalt well remember what the LORD thy God did unto Pharaoh, and unto

all Egypt; 7:19 The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the

signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out

arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy

God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid.

7:20 Moreover the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until

they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed.

7:21 Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God is

among you, a mighty God and terrible.

7:22 And the LORD thy God will put out those nations before thee by

little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the

beasts of the field increase upon thee.

7:23 But the LORD thy God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall

destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed.

7:24 And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt

destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to

stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them.

7:25 The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou

shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto

thee, lest thou be snared therin: for it is an abomination to the LORD

thy God.

7:26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest

thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and

thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing.

8:1 All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye

observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess

the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers.

8:2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led

thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove

thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his

commandments, or no.

8:3 And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee

with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that

he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by

every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

8:4 Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell,

these forty years.

8:5 Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth

his son, so the LORD thy God chasteneth thee.

8:6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to

walk in his ways, and to fear him.

8:7 For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of

brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys

and hills; 8:8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees,

and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey; 8:9 A land wherein

thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing

in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou

mayest dig brass.

8:10 When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the LORD

thy God for the good land which he hath given thee.

8:11 Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his

commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command

thee this day: 8:12 Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast

built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; 8:13 And when thy herds and

thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and

all that thou hast is multiplied; 8:14 Then thine heart be lifted up,

and thou forget the LORD thy God, which brought thee forth out of the

land of Egypt, from the house of bondage; 8:15 Who led thee through

that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and

scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought thee

forth water out of the rock of flint; 8:16 Who fed thee in the

wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might

humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy

latter end; 8:17 And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might

of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth.

8:18 But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that

giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant

which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

8:19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and

walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify

against you this day that ye shall surely perish.

8:20 As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your face, so

shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of

the LORD your God.

9:1 Hear, O Israel: Thou art to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to

possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and

fenced up to heaven, 9:2 A people great and tall, the children of the

Anakims, whom thou knowest, and of whom thou hast heard say, Who can

stand before the children of Anak! 9:3 Understand therefore this day,

that the LORD thy God is he which goeth over before thee; as a

consuming fire he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down

before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them

quickly, as the LORD hath said unto thee.

9:4 Speak not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath

cast them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousness the LORD

hath brought me in to possess this land: but for the wickedness of

these nations the LORD doth drive them out from before thee.

9:5 Not for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thine heart,

dost thou go to possess their land: but for the wickedness of these

nations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee, and

that he may perform the word which the LORD sware unto thy fathers,

Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

9:6 Understand therefore, that the LORD thy God giveth thee not this

good land to possess it for thy righteousness; for thou art a

stiffnecked people.

9:7 Remember, and forget not, how thou provokedst the LORD thy God to

wrath in the wilderness: from the day that thou didst depart out of

the land of Egypt, until ye came unto this place, ye have been

rebellious against the LORD.

9:8 Also in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was

angry with you to have destroyed you.

9:9 When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone,

even the tables of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then I

abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat

bread nor drink water: 9:10 And the LORD delivered unto me two tables

of stone written with the finger of God; and on them was written

according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount

out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

9:11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights,

that the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, even the tables of the

covenant.

9:12 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, get thee down quickly from

hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have

corrupted themselves; they are quickly turned aside out of the way

which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image.

9:13 Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this

people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people: 9:14 Let me alone,

that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven:

and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.

9:15 So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned

with fire: and the two tables of the covenant were in my two hands.

9:16 And I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your

God, and had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out

of the way which the LORD had commanded you.

9:17 And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and

brake them before your eyes.

9:18 And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and

forty nights: I did neither eat bread, nor drink water, because of all

your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD,

to provoke him to anger.

9:19 For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith the

LORD was wroth against you to destroy you. But the LORD hearkened unto

me at that time also.

9:20 And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and

I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

9:21 And I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and burnt it

with fire, and stamped it, and ground it very small, even until it was

as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the brook that

descended out of the mount.

9:22 And at Taberah, and at Massah, and at Kibrothhattaavah, ye

provoked the LORD to wrath.

9:23 Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadeshbarnea, saying, Go up

and possess the land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against

the commandment of the LORD your God, and ye believed him not, nor

hearkened to his voice.

9:24 Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew

you.

9:25 Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days and forty nights, as

I fell down at the first; because the LORD had said he would destroy

you.

9:26 I prayed therefore unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, destroy

not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through

thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a

mighty hand.

9:27 Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto

the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their

sin: 9:28 Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because the

LORD was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them,

and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in

the wilderness.

9:29 Yet they are thy people and thine inheritance, which thou

broughtest out by thy mighty power and by thy stretched out arm.

10:1 At that time the LORD said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone

like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee

an ark of wood.

10:2 And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first

tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark.

10:3 And I made an ark of shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone

like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables

in mine hand.

10:4 And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the

ten commandments, which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of

the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave

them unto me.

10:5 And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the

tables in the ark which I had made; and there they be, as the LORD

commanded me.

10:6 And the children of Israel took their journey from Beeroth of the

children of Jaakan to Mosera: there Aaron died, and there he was

buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his

stead.

10:7 From thence they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to

Jotbath, a land of rivers of waters.

10:8 At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, to bear the

ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister

unto him, and to bless in his name, unto this day.

10:9 Wherefore Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren;

the LORD is his inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised

him.

10:10 And I stayed in the mount, according to the first time, forty

days and forty nights; and the LORD hearkened unto me at that time

also, and the LORD would not destroy thee.

10:11 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, take thy journey before the

people, that they may go in and possess the land, which I sware unto

their fathers to give unto them.

10:12 And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but

to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him,

and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy

soul, 10:13 To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes,

which I command thee this day for thy good? 10:14 Behold, the heaven

and the heaven of heavens is the LORD's thy God, the earth also, with

all that therein is.

10:15 Only the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he

chose their seed after them, even you above all people, as it is this

day.

10:16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more

stiffnecked.

10:17 For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great

God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh

reward: 10:18 He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and

widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

10:19 Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the

land of Egypt.

10:20 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to

him shalt thou cleave, and swear by his name.

10:21 He is thy praise, and he is thy God, that hath done for thee

these great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen.

10:22 Thy fathers went down into Egypt with threescore and ten

persons; and now the LORD thy God hath made thee as the stars of

heaven for multitude.

11:1 Therefore thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge,

and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.

11:2 And know ye this day: for I speak not with your children which

have not known, and which have not seen the chastisement of the LORD

your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his stretched out arm,

11:3 And his miracles, and his acts, which he did in the midst of

Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land; 11:4 And

what he did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their

chariots; how he made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as

they pursued after you, and how the LORD hath destroyed them unto this

day; 11:5 And what he did unto you in the wilderness, until ye came

into this place; 11:6 And what he did unto Dathan and Abiram, the sons

of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and

swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and all the

substance that was in their possession, in the midst of all Israel:

11:7 But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD which he

did.

11:8 Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you

this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land,

whither ye go to possess it; 11:9 And that ye may prolong your days in

the land, which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give unto them and

to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

11:10 For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, is not as the

land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed,

and wateredst it with thy foot, as a garden of herbs: 11:11 But the

land, whither ye go to possess it, is a land of hills and valleys, and

drinketh water of the rain of heaven: 11:12 A land which the LORD thy

God careth for: the eyes of the LORD thy God are always upon it, from

the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

11:13 And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto

my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your

God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,

11:14 That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season,

the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy

corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.

11:15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou

mayest eat and be full.

11:16 Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye

turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them; 11:17 And then the

LORD's wrath be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that

there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and lest ye

perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you.

11:18 Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in

your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be

as frontlets between your eyes.

11:19 And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when

thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when

thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

11:20 And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house,

and upon thy gates: 11:21 That your days may be multiplied, and the

days of your children, in the land which the LORD sware unto your

fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.

11:22 For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I

command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his

ways, and to cleave unto him; 11:23 Then will the LORD drive out all

these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations

and mightier than yourselves.

11:24 Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be

yours: from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river

Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be.

11:25 There shall no man be able to stand before you: for the LORD

your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the

land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said unto you.

11:26 Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse; 11:27

A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I

command you this day: 11:28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the

commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which

I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not

known.

11:29 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD thy God hath brought

thee in unto the land whither thou goest to possess it, that thou

shalt put the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount

Ebal.

11:30 Are they not on the other side Jordan, by the way where the sun

goeth down, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the

champaign over against Gilgal, beside the plains of Moreh? 11:31 For

ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD

your God giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell therein.

11:32 And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and judgments which

I set before you this day.

12:1 These are the statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to

do in the land, which the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to

possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth.

12:2 Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations

which ye shall possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and

upon the hills, and under every green tree: 12:3 And ye shall

overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves

with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and

destroy the names of them out of that place.

12:4 Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God.

12:5 But unto the place which the LORD your God shall choose out of

all your tribes to put his name there, even unto his habitation shall

ye seek, and thither thou shalt come: 12:6 And thither ye shall bring

your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave

offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings,

and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks: 12:7 And there ye

shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that

ye put your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein the LORD thy

God hath blessed thee.

12:8 Ye shall not do after all the things that we do here this day,

every man whatsoever is right in his own eyes.

12:9 For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance,

which the LORD your God giveth you.

12:10 But when ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD

your God giveth you to inherit, and when he giveth you rest from all

your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety; 12:11 Then there

shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his

name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you;

your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave

offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which ye vow unto the

LORD: 12:12 And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and

your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your

maidservants, and the Levite that is within your gates; forasmuch as

he hath no part nor inheritance with you.

12:13 Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in

every place that thou seest: 12:14 But in the place which the LORD

shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt

offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.

12:15 Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates,

whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, according to the blessing of the

LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may

eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.

12:16 Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth

as water.

12:17 Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or

of thy wine, or of thy oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy

flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor thy freewill

offerings, or heave offering of thine hand: 12:18 But thou must eat

them before the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD thy God shall

choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and

thy maidservant, and the Levite that is within thy gates: and thou

shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God in all that thou puttest thine

hands unto.

12:19 Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as

thou livest upon the earth.

12:20 When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, as he hath

promised thee, and thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul

longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatsoever thy soul

lusteth after.

12:21 If the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to put his name

there be too far from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd and of

thy flock, which the LORD hath given thee, as I have commanded thee,

and thou shalt eat in thy gates whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.

12:22 Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat

them: the unclean and the clean shall eat of them alike.

12:23 Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood is the

life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh.

12:24 Thou shalt not eat it; thou shalt pour it upon the earth as

water.

12:25 Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with

thy children after thee, when thou shalt do that which is right in the

sight of the LORD.

12:26 Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt

take, and go unto the place which the LORD shall choose: 12:27 And

thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon

the altar of the LORD thy God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall

be poured out upon the altar of the LORD thy God, and thou shalt eat

the flesh.

12:28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it

may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when

thou doest that which is good and right in the sight of the LORD thy

God.

12:29 When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before

thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them,

and dwellest in their land; 12:30 Take heed to thyself that thou be

not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before

thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did

these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

12:31 Thou shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every

abomination to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their

gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the

fire to their gods.

12:32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt

not add thereto, nor diminish from it.

13:1 If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and

giveth thee a sign or a wonder, 13:2 And the sign or the wonder come

to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other

gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them; 13:3 Thou

shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of

dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the

LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

13:4 Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his

commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave

unto him.

13:5 And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to

death; because he hath spoken to turn you away from the LORD your God,

which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of

the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy

God commanded thee to walk in. So shalt thou put the evil away from

the midst of thee.

13:6 If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy

daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine

own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other

gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers; 13:7 Namely,

of the gods of the people which are round about you, nigh unto thee,

or far off from thee, from the one end of the earth even unto the

other end of the earth; 13:8 Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor

hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou

spare, neither shalt thou conceal him: 13:9 But thou shalt surely kill

him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death, and

afterwards the hand of all the people.

13:10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he

hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought

thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.

13:11 And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any

such wickedness as this is among you.

13:12 If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy

God hath given thee to dwell there, saying, 13:13 Certain men, the

children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn

the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods,

which ye have not known; 13:14 Then shalt thou enquire, and make

search, and ask diligently; and, behold, if it be truth, and the thing

certain, that such abomination is wrought among you; 13:15 Thou shalt

surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword,

destroying it utterly, and all that is therein, and the cattle

thereof, with the edge of the sword.

13:16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the

street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil

thereof every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it shall be an heap for

ever; it shall not be built again.

13:17 And there shall cleave nought of the cursed thing to thine hand:

that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee

mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath

sworn unto thy fathers; 13:18 When thou shalt hearken to the voice of

the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee

this day, to do that which is right in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

14:1 Ye are the children of the LORD your God: ye shall not cut

yourselves, nor make any baldness between your eyes for the dead.

14:2 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD

hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the

nations that are upon the earth.

14:3 Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing.

14:4 These are the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and

the goat, 14:5 The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow deer, and the

wild goat, and the pygarg, and the wild ox, and the chamois.

14:6 And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft

into two claws, and cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall

eat.

14:7 Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or

of them that divide the cloven hoof; as the camel, and the hare, and

the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof; therefore

they are unclean unto you.

14:8 And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the

cud, it is unclean unto you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor

touch their dead carcase.

14:9 These ye shall eat of all that are in the waters: all that have

fins and scales shall ye eat: 14:10 And whatsoever hath not fins and

scales ye may not eat; it is unclean unto you.

14:11 Of all clean birds ye shall eat.

14:12 But these are they of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and the

ossifrage, and the ospray, 14:13 And the glede, and the kite, and the

vulture after his kind, 14:14 And every raven after his kind, 14:15

And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after

his kind, 14:16 The little owl, and the great owl, and the swan, 14:17

And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant, 14:18 And the

stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

14:19 And every creeping thing that flieth is unclean unto you: they

shall not be eaten.

14:20 But of all clean fowls ye may eat.

14:21 Ye shall not eat of anything that dieth of itself: thou shalt

give it unto the stranger that is in thy gates, that he may eat it; or

thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for thou art an holy people unto

the LORD thy God.

Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

14:22 Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the

field bringeth forth year by year.

14:23 And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which

he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy

wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy

flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always.

14:24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able

to carry it; or if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy

God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath

blessed thee: 14:25 Then shalt thou turn it into money, and bind up

the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD

thy God shall choose: 14:26 And thou shalt bestow that money for

whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for

wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth: and

thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice,

thou, and thine household, 14:27 And the Levite that is within thy

gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance

with thee.

14:28 At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe

of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay it up within thy gates:

14:29 And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with

thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are

within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the

LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou

doest.

15:1 At the end of every seven years thou shalt make a release.

15:2 And this is the manner of the release: Every creditor that

lendeth ought unto his neighbour shall release it; he shall not exact

it of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called the

LORD's release.

15:3 Of a foreigner thou mayest exact it again: but that which is

thine with thy brother thine hand shall release; 15:4 Save when there

shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in

the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to

possess it: 15:5 Only if thou carefully hearken unto the voice of the

LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command

thee this day.

15:6 For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou

shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou

shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.

15:7 If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within

any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou

shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor

brother: 15:8 But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt

surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth.

15:9 Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying,

The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be

evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and he cry

unto the LORD against thee, and it be sin unto thee.

15:10 Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved

when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy

God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest

thine hand unto.

15:11 For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I

command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy

brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.

15:12 And if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman, be sold

unto thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou

shalt let him go free from thee.

15:13 And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let

him go away empty: 15:14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy

flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy winepress: of that

wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto him.

15:15 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of

Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee

this thing to day.

15:16 And it shall be, if he say unto thee, I will not go away from

thee; because he loveth thee and thine house, because he is well with

thee; 15:17 Then thou shalt take an aul, and thrust it through his ear

unto the door, and he shall be thy servant for ever. And also unto thy

maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

15:18 It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away

free from thee; for he hath been worth a double hired servant to thee,

in serving thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in

all that thou doest.

15:19 All the firstling males that come of thy herd and of thy flock

thou shalt sanctify unto the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with

the firstling of thy bullock, nor shear the firstling of thy sheep.

15:20 Thou shalt eat it before the LORD thy God year by year in the

place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy household.

15:21 And if there be any blemish therein, as if it be lame, or blind,

or have any ill blemish, thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy

God.

15:22 Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean

person shall eat it alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart.

15:23 Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; thou shalt pour it

upon the ground as water.

16:1 Observe the month of Abib, and keep the passover unto the LORD

thy God: for in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth

out of Egypt by night.

16:2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy

God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the LORD shall

choose to place his name there.

16:3 Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou

eat unleavened bread therewith, even the bread of affliction; for thou

camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest

remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt all

the days of thy life.

16:4 And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy

coast seven days; neither shall there any thing of the flesh, which

thou sacrificedst the first day at even, remain all night until the

morning.

16:5 Thou mayest not sacrifice the passover within any of thy gates,

which the LORD thy God giveth thee: 16:6 But at the place which the

LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt

sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the

season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.

16:7 And thou shalt roast and eat it in the place which the LORD thy

God shall choose: and thou shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy

tents.

16:8 Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and on the seventh day

shall be a solemn assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work

therein.

16:9 Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the

seven weeks from such time as thou beginnest to put the sickle to the

corn.

16:10 And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God

with a tribute of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt

give unto the LORD thy God, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed

thee: 16:11 And thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and

thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant,

and the Levite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the

fatherless, and the widow, that are among you, in the place which the

LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there.

16:12 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and

thou shalt observe and do these statutes.

16:13 Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after

that thou hast gathered in thy corn and thy wine: 16:14 And thou shalt

rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy

manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the

fatherless, and the widow, that are within thy gates.

16:15 Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the LORD thy God

in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God

shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine

hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.

16:16 Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD

thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened

bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and

they shall not appear before the LORD empty: 16:17 Every man shall

give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God

which he hath given thee.

16:18 Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which

the LORD thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall

judge the people with just judgment.

16:19 Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons,

neither take a gift: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and

pervert the words of the righteous.

16:20 That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou

mayest live, and inherit the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

16:21 Thou shalt not plant thee a grove of any trees near unto the

altar of the LORD thy God, which thou shalt make thee.

16:22 Neither shalt thou set thee up any image; which the LORD thy God

hateth.

17:1 Thou shalt not sacrifice unto the LORD thy God any bullock, or

sheep, wherein is blemish, or any evilfavouredness: for that is an

abomination unto the LORD thy God.

17:2 If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the

LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness

in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his covenant, 17:3

And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the

sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not

commanded; 17:4 And it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it, and

enquired diligently, and, behold, it be true, and the thing certain,

that such abomination is wrought in Israel: 17:5 Then shalt thou bring

forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing,

unto thy gates, even that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with

stones, till they die.

17:6 At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that

is worthy of death be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he

shall not be put to death.

17:7 The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to

death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So thou shalt put

the evil away from among you.

17:8 If there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment, between

blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke,

being matters of controversy within thy gates: then shalt thou arise,

and get thee up into the place which the LORD thy God shall choose;

17:9 And thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites, and unto the

judge that shall be in those days, and enquire; and they shall shew

thee the sentence of judgment: 17:10 And thou shalt do according to

the sentence, which they of that place which the LORD shall choose

shall shew thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that

they inform thee: 17:11 According to the sentence of the law which

they shall teach thee, and according to the judgment which they shall

tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence

which they shall shew thee, to the right hand, nor to the left.

17:12 And the man that will do presumptuously, and will not hearken

unto the priest that standeth to minister there before the LORD thy

God, or unto the judge, even that man shall die: and thou shalt put

away the evil from Israel.

17:13 And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more

presumptuously.

17:14 When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth

thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I

will set a king over me, like as all the nations that are about me;

17:15 Thou shalt in any wise set him king over thee, whom the LORD thy

God shall choose: one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over

thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which is not thy

brother.

17:16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the

people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses:

forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return

no more that way.

17:17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn

not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and

gold.

17:18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom,

that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of that which

is before the priests the Levites: 17:19 And it shall be with him, and

he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to

fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these

statutes, to do them: 17:20 That his heart be not lifted up above his

brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the

right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in

his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

18:1 The priests the Levites, and all the tribe of Levi, shall have no

part nor inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the

LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.

18:2 Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren:

the LORD is their inheritance, as he hath said unto them.

18:3 And this shall be the priest's due from the people, from them

that offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or sheep; and they shall give

unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw.

18:4 The firstfruit also of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil,

and the first of the fleece of thy sheep, shalt thou give him.

18:5 For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to

stand to minister in the name of the LORD, him and his sons for ever.

18:6 And if a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel,

where he sojourned, and come with all the desire of his mind unto the

place which the LORD shall choose; 18:7 Then he shall minister in the

name of the LORD his God, as all his brethren the Levites do, which

stand there before the LORD.

18:8 They shall have like portions to eat, beside that which cometh of

the sale of his patrimony.

18:9 When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth

thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those

nations.

18:10 There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son

or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or

an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch.

18:11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard,

or a necromancer.

18:12 For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD:

and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out

from before thee.

18:13 Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God.

18:14 For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto

observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy

God hath not suffered thee so to do.

18:15 The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the

midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall

hearken; 18:16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy

God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again

the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any

more, that I die not.

18:17 And the LORD said unto me, They have well spoken that which they

have spoken.

18:18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like

unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto

them all that I shall command him.

18:19 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto

my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.

18:20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name,

which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the

name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.

18:21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which

the LORD hath not spoken? 18:22 When a prophet speaketh in the name

of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the

thing which the LORD hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it

presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

19:1 When the LORD thy God hath cut off the nations, whose land the

LORD thy God giveth thee, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in

their cities, and in their houses; 19:2 Thou shalt separate three

cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God

giveth thee to possess it.

19:3 Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide the coasts of thy land,

which the LORD thy God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that

every slayer may flee thither.

19:4 And this is the case of the slayer, which shall flee thither,

that he may live: Whoso killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he

hated not in time past; 19:5 As when a man goeth into the wood with

his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe

to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the helve, and

lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of

those cities, and live: 19:6 Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the

slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is

long, and slay him; whereas he was not worthy of death, inasmuch as he

hated him not in time past.

19:7 Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three

cities for thee.

19:8 And if the LORD thy God enlarge thy coast, as he hath sworn unto

thy fathers, and give thee all the land which he promised to give unto

thy fathers; 19:9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do

them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to

walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee,

beside these three: 19:10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy land,

which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and so blood be

upon thee.

19:11 But if any man hate his neighbour, and lie in wait for him, and

rise up against him, and smite him mortally that he die, and fleeth

into one of these cities: 19:12 Then the elders of his city shall send

and fetch him thence, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of

blood, that he may die.

19:13 Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou shalt put away the guilt

of innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with thee.

19:14 Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's landmark, which they of

old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in

the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.

19:15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or

for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two

witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be

established.

19:16 If a false witness rise up against any man to testify against

him that which is wrong; 19:17 Then both the men, between whom the

controversy is, shall stand before the LORD, before the priests and

the judges, which shall be in those days; 19:18 And the judges shall

make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the witness be a false

witness, and hath testified falsely against his brother; 19:19 Then

shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother:

so shalt thou put the evil away from among you.

19:20 And those which remain shall hear, and fear, and shall

henceforth commit no more any such evil among you.

19:21 And thine eye shall not pity; but life shall go for life, eye

for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.

20:1 When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest

horses, and chariots, and a people more than thou, be not afraid of

them: for the LORD thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of

the land of Egypt.

20:2 And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the

priest shall approach and speak unto the people, 20:3 And shall say

unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against

your enemies: let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble,

neither be ye terrified because of them; 20:4 For the LORD your God is

he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save

you.

20:5 And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man is

there that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him

go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man

dedicate it.

20:6 And what man is he that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not yet

eaten of it? let him also go and return unto his house, lest he die in

the battle, and another man eat of it.

20:7 And what man is there that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not

taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the

battle, and another man take her.

20:8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they

shall say, What man is there that is fearful and fainthearted? let him

go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart faint as well

as his heart.

20:9 And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking

unto the people that they shall make captains of the armies to lead

the people.

20:10 When thou comest nigh unto a city to fight against it, then

proclaim peace unto it.

20:11 And it shall be, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto

thee, then it shall be, that all the people that is found therein

shall be tributaries unto thee, and they shall serve thee.

20:12 And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war

against thee, then thou shalt besiege it: 20:13 And when the LORD thy

God hath delivered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite every male

thereof with the edge of the sword: 20:14 But the women, and the

little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, even all the

spoil thereof, shalt thou take unto thyself; and thou shalt eat the

spoil of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

20:15 Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities which are very far off

from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations.

20:16 But of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth

give thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that

breatheth: 20:17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; namely, the

Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the

Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee:

20:18 That they teach you not to do after all their abominations,

which they have done unto their gods; so should ye sin against the

LORD your God.

20:19 When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, in making war

against it to take it, thou shalt not destroy the trees thereof by

forcing an axe against them: for thou mayest eat of them, and thou

shalt not cut them down (for the tree of the field is man's life) to

employ them in the siege: 20:20 Only the trees which thou knowest that

they be not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy and cut them down; and

thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee,

until it be subdued.

21:1 If one be found slain in the land which the LORD thy God giveth

thee to possess it, lying in the field, and it be not known who hath

slain him: 21:2 Then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and

they shall measure unto the cities which are round about him that is

slain: 21:3 And it shall be, that the city which is next unto the

slain man, even the elders of that city shall take an heifer, which

hath not been wrought with, and which hath not drawn in the yoke; 21:4

And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a rough

valley, which is neither eared nor sown, and shall strike off the

heifer's neck there in the valley: 21:5 And the priests the sons of

Levi shall come near; for them the LORD thy God hath chosen to

minister unto him, and to bless in the name of the LORD; and by their

word shall every controversy and every stroke be tried: 21:6 And all

the elders of that city, that are next unto the slain man, shall wash

their hands over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley: 21:7 And

they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither

have our eyes seen it.

21:8 Be merciful, O LORD, unto thy people Israel, whom thou hast

redeemed, and lay not innocent blood unto thy people of Israel's

charge. And the blood shall be forgiven them.

21:9 So shalt thou put away the guilt of innocent blood from among

you, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD.

21:10 When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, and the LORD

thy God hath delivered them into thine hands, and thou hast taken them

captive, 21:11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and

hast a desire unto her, that thou wouldest have her to thy wife; 21:12

Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house, and she shall shave her

head, and pare her nails; 21:13 And she shall put the raiment of her

captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine house, and bewail

her father and her mother a full month: and after that thou shalt go

in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.

21:14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt

let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for

money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast

humbled her.

21:15 If a man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and

they have born him children, both the beloved and the hated; and if

the firstborn son be hers that was hated: 21:16 Then it shall be, when

he maketh his sons to inherit that which he hath, that he may not make

the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, which is

indeed the firstborn: 21:17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the

hated for the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all that he

hath: for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the

firstborn is his.

21:18 If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey

the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and that, when

they have chastened him, will not hearken unto them: 21:19 Then shall

his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the

elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place; 21:20 And they

shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and

rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton, and a

drunkard.

21:21 And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he

die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall

hear, and fear.

21:22 And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to

be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree: 21:23 His body shall not

remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him

that day; (for he that is hanged is accursed of God;) that thy land be

not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

22:1 Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and

hide thyself from them: thou shalt in any case bring them again unto

thy brother.

22:2 And if thy brother be not nigh unto thee, or if thou know him

not, then thou shalt bring it unto thine own house, and it shall be

with thee until thy brother seek after it, and thou shalt restore it

to him again.

22:3 In like manner shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do

with his raiment; and with all lost thing of thy brother's, which he

hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do likewise: thou mayest

not hide thyself.

22:4 Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fall down by the

way, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift

them up again.

22:5 The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man,

neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are

abomination unto the LORD thy God.

22:6 If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way in any tree,

or on the ground, whether they be young ones, or eggs, and the dam

sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, thou shalt not take the dam

with the young: 22:7 But thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, and

take the young to thee; that it may be well with thee, and that thou

mayest prolong thy days.

22:8 When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement

for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man

fall from thence.

22:9 Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the fruit

of thy seed which thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be

defiled.

22:10 Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together.

22:11 Thou shalt not wear a garment of divers sorts, as of woollen and

linen together.

22:12 Thou shalt make thee fringes upon the four quarters of thy

vesture, wherewith thou coverest thyself.

22:13 If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her, 22:14

And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name

upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found

her not a maid: 22:15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her

mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the damsel's virginity unto

the elders of the city in the gate: 22:16 And the damsel's father

shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife,

and he hateth her; 22:17 And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech

against her, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these

are the tokens of my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the

cloth before the elders of the city.

22:18 And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise

him; 22:19 And they shall amerce him in an hundred shekels of silver,

and give them unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought

up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he

may not put her away all his days.

22:20 But if this thing be true, and the tokens of virginity be not

found for the damsel: 22:21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to

the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone

her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in

Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou put

evil away from among you.

22:22 If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then

they shall both of them die, both the man that lay with the woman, and

the woman: so shalt thou put away evil from Israel.

22:23 If a damsel that is a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a

man find her in the city, and lie with her; 22:24 Then ye shall bring

them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with

stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the

city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so

thou shalt put away evil from among you.

22:25 But if a man find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man

force her, and lie with her: then the man only that lay with her shall

die.

22:26 But unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; there is in the

damsel no sin worthy of death: for as when a man riseth against his

neighbour, and slayeth him, even so is this matter: 22:27 For he found

her in the field, and the betrothed damsel cried, and there was none

to save her.

22:28 If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not betrothed,

and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found; 22:29 Then

the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty

shekels of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled

her, he may not put her away all his days.

22:30 A man shall not take his father's wife, nor discover his

father's skirt.

23:1 He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut

off, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

23:2 A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even

to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of

the LORD.

23:3 An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of

the LORD; even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the

congregation of the LORD for ever: 23:4 Because they met you not with

bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt; and

because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of

Mesopotamia, to curse thee.

23:5 Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but

the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because

the LORD thy God loved thee.

23:6 Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days

for ever.

23:7 Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; for he is thy brother: thou

shalt not abhor an Egyptian; because thou wast a stranger in his land.

23:8 The children that are begotten of them shall enter into the

congregation of the LORD in their third generation.

23:9 When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee

from every wicked thing.

23:10 If there be among you any man, that is not clean by reason of

uncleanness that chanceth him by night, then shall he go abroad out of

the camp, he shall not come within the camp: 23:11 But it shall be,

when evening cometh on, he shall wash himself with water: and when the

sun is down, he shall come into the camp again.

23:12 Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou

shalt go forth abroad: 23:13 And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy

weapon; and it shall be, when thou wilt ease thyself abroad, thou

shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh

from thee: 23:14 For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy

camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee;

therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no unclean thing in

thee, and turn away from thee.

23:15 Thou shalt not deliver unto his master the servant which is

escaped from his master unto thee: 23:16 He shall dwell with thee,

even among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy

gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him.

23:17 There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a

sodomite of the sons of Israel.

23:18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog,

into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these

are abomination unto the LORD thy God.

23:19 Thou shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money,

usury of victuals, usury of any thing that is lent upon usury: 23:20

Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou

shalt not lend upon usury: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all

that thou settest thine hand to in the land whither thou goest to

possess it.

23:21 When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not

slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee;

and it would be sin in thee.

23:22 But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee.

23:23 That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform;

even a freewill offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the LORD

thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth.

23:24 When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard, then thou mayest

eat grapes thy fill at thine own pleasure; but thou shalt not put any

in thy vessel.

23:25 When thou comest into the standing corn of thy neighbour, then

thou mayest pluck the ears with thine hand; but thou shalt not move a

sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.

24:1 When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to

pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some

uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and

give it in her hand, and send her out of his house.

24:2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be

another man's wife.

24:3 And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of

divorcement, and giveth it in her hand, and sendeth her out of his

house; or if the latter husband die, which took her to be his wife;

24:4 Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again

to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination

before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the

LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

24:5 When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war,

neither shall he be charged with any business: but he shall be free at

home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken.

24:6 No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge:

for he taketh a man's life to pledge.

24:7 If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of

Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief

shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you.

24:8 Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently,

and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you:

as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do.

24:9 Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam by the way, after

that ye were come forth out of Egypt.

24:10 When thou dost lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go

into his house to fetch his pledge.

24:11 Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend

shall bring out the pledge abroad unto thee.

24:12 And if the man be poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge:

24:13 In any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun

goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee: and

it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.

24:14 Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant that is poor and needy,

whether he be of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy

land within thy gates: 24:15 At his day thou shalt give him his hire,

neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he is poor, and setteth his

heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin

unto thee.

24:16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither

shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be

put to death for his own sin.

24:17 Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, nor of the

fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge: 24:18 But thou shalt

remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God

redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

24:19 When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast

forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it

shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that

the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.

24:20 When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the

boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and

for the widow.

24:21 When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not

glean it afterward: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless,

and for the widow.

24:22 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of

Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

25:1 If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto

judgment, that the judges may judge them; then they shall justify the

righteous, and condemn the wicked.

25:2 And it shall be, if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that

the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his

face, according to his fault, by a certain number.

25:3 Forty stripes he may give him, and not exceed: lest, if he should

exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother

should seem vile unto thee.

25:4 Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn.

25:5 If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no

child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger:

her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to

wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.

25:6 And it shall be, that the firstborn which she beareth shall

succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not

put out of Israel.

25:7 And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his

brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My

husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in

Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.

25:8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him:

and if he stand to it, and say, I like not to take her; 25:9 Then

shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders,

and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall

answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build

up his brother's house.

25:10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that

hath his shoe loosed.

25:11 When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the

one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him

that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the

secrets: 25:12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not

pity her.

25:13 Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a

small.

25:14 Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and

a small.

25:15 But thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and

just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the

land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

25:16 For all that do such things, and all that do unrighteously, are

an abomination unto the LORD thy God.

25:17 Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come

forth out of Egypt; 25:18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the

hindmost of thee, even all that were feeble behind thee, when thou

wast faint and weary; and he feared not God.

25:19 Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee

rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD

thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it, that thou shalt

blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not

forget it.

26:1 And it shall be, when thou art come in unto the land which the

LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and possessest it, and

dwellest therein; 26:2 That thou shalt take of the first of all the

fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD

thy God giveth thee, and shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto

the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.

26:3 And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days,

and say unto him, I profess this day unto the LORD thy God, that I am

come unto the country which the LORD sware unto our fathers for to

give us.

26:4 And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set

it down before the altar of the LORD thy God.

26:5 And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian

ready to perish was my father, and he went down into Egypt, and

sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, mighty,

and populous: 26:6 And the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted

us, and laid upon us hard bondage: 26:7 And when we cried unto the

LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our

affliction, and our labour, and our oppression: 26:8 And the LORD

brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an

outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and

with wonders: 26:9 And he hath brought us into this place, and hath

given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey.

26:10 And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land,

which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the

LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God: 26:11 And thou

shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given

unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the

stranger that is among you.

26:12 When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine

increase the third year, which is the year of tithing, and hast given

it unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that

they may eat within thy gates, and be filled; 26:13 Then thou shalt

say before the LORD thy God, I have brought away the hallowed things

out of mine house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto

the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all

thy commandments which thou hast commanded me: I have not transgressed

thy commandments, neither have I forgotten them.

26:14 I have not eaten thereof in my mourning, neither have I taken

away ought thereof for any unclean use, nor given ought thereof for

the dead: but I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, and

have done according to all that thou hast commanded me.

26:15 Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy

people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest

unto our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

26:16 This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these

statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all

thine heart, and with all thy soul.

26:17 Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk

in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his

judgments, and to hearken unto his voice: 26:18 And the LORD hath

avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath promised

thee, and that thou shouldest keep all his commandments; 26:19 And to

make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in

name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the

LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

27:1 And Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying,

Keep all the commandments which I command you this day.

27:2 And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over Jordan unto

the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee

up great stones, and plaister them with plaister: 27:3 And thou shalt

write upon them all the words of this law, when thou art passed over,

that thou mayest go in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth

thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy

fathers hath promised thee.

27:4 Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan, that ye shall

set up these stones, which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and

thou shalt plaister them with plaister.

27:5 And there shalt thou build an altar unto the LORD thy God, an

altar of stones: thou shalt not lift up any iron tool upon them.

27:6 Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones:

and thou shalt offer burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD thy God:

27:7 And thou shalt offer peace offerings, and shalt eat there, and

rejoice before the LORD thy God.

27:8 And thou shalt write upon the stones all the words of this law

very plainly.

27:9 And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel,

saying, Take heed, and hearken, O Israel; this day thou art become the

people of the LORD thy God.

27:10 Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do

his commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.

27:11 And Moses charged the people the same day, saying, 27:12 These

shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are come

over Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph,

and Benjamin: 27:13 And these shall stand upon mount Ebal to curse;

Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.

27:14 And the Levites shall speak, and say unto all the men of Israel

with a loud voice, 27:15 Cursed be the man that maketh any graven or

molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of

the craftsman, and putteth it in a secret place. And all the people

shall answer and say, Amen.

27:16 Cursed be he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And

all the people shall say, Amen.

27:17 Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the

people shall say, Amen.

27:18 Cursed be he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way. And

all the people shall say, Amen.

27:19 Cursed be he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger,

fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.

27:20 Cursed be he that lieth with his father's wife; because he

uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.

27:21 Cursed be he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the

people shall say, Amen.

27:22 Cursed be he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his

father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say,

Amen.

27:23 Cursed be he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the

people shall say, Amen.

27:24 Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the

people shall say, Amen.

27:25 Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And

all the people shall say, Amen.

27:26 Cursed be he that confirmeth not all the words of this law to do

them. And all the people shall say, Amen.

28:1 And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto

the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his

commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will

set thee on high above all nations of the earth: 28:2 And all these

blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken

unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

28:3 Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in

the field.

28:4 Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy

ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the

flocks of thy sheep.

28:5 Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store.

28:6 Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou

be when thou goest out.

28:7 The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to

be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way,

and flee before thee seven ways.

28:8 The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses,

and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee

in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

28:9 The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he

hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD

thy God, and walk in his ways.

28:10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by

the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.

28:11 And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of

thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy

ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give

thee.

28:12 The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to

give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work

of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt

not borrow.

28:13 And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and

thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou

hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command

thee this day, to observe and to do them: 28:14 And thou shalt not go

aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the

right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

28:15 But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the

voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and

his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses

shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: 28:16 Cursed shalt thou be in

the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field.

28:17 Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store.

28:18 Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy

land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

28:19 Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou

be when thou goest out.

28:20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in

all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be

destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of

thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

28:21 The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he

have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess

it.

28:22 The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever,

and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the

sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee

until thou perish.

28:23 And thy heaven that is over thy head shall be brass, and the

earth that is under thee shall be iron.

28:24 The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from

heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

28:25 The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies:

thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before

them: and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

28:26 And thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and

unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray them away.

28:27 The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the

emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not

be healed.

28:28 The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and

astonishment of heart: 28:29 And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the

blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and

thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall

save thee.

28:30 Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her:

thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou

shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes thereof.

28:31 Thine ox shall be slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not

eat thereof: thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy

face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep shall be given unto

thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue them.

28:32 Thy sons and thy daughters shall be given unto another people,

and thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them all the day

long; and there shall be no might in thine hand.

28:33 The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which

thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed

alway: 28:34 So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes

which thou shalt see.

28:35 The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a

sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the

top of thy head.

28:36 The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set

over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have

known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.

28:37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword,

among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee.

28:38 Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather

but little in; for the locust shall consume it.

28:39 Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress them, but shalt neither

drink of the wine, nor gather the grapes; for the worms shall eat

them.

28:40 Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou

shalt not anoint thyself with the oil; for thine olive shall cast his

fruit.

28:41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy

them; for they shall go into captivity.

28:42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust consume.

28:43 The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very

high; and thou shalt come down very low.

28:44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall

be the head, and thou shalt be the tail.

28:45 Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue

thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou

hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his

commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee: 28:46 And they

shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for

ever.

28:47 Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and

with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all things; 28:48

Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send

against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want

of all things: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he

have destroyed thee.

28:49 The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the

end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue

thou shalt not understand; 28:50 A nation of fierce countenance, which

shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:

28:51 And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy

land, until thou be destroyed: which also shall not leave thee either

corn, wine, or oil, or the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy

sheep, until he have destroyed thee.

28:52 And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and

fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy

land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy

land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

28:53 And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy

sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in

the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall

distress thee: 28:54 So that the man that is tender among you, and

very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward

the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children which he

shall leave: 28:55 So that he will not give to any of them of the

flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left

him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall

distress thee in all thy gates.

28:56 The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not

adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness

and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom,

and toward her son, and toward her daughter, 28:57 And toward her

young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her

children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all

things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy

shall distress thee in thy gates.

28:58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that

are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and

fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD; 28:59 Then the LORD will make thy

plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues,

and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.

28:60 Moreover he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt,

which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee.

28:61 Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in

the book of this law, them will the LORD bring upon thee, until thou

be destroyed.

28:62 And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars

of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of

the LORD thy God.

28:63 And it shall come to pass, that as the LORD rejoiced over you to

do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to

destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from

off the land whither thou goest to possess it.

28:64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one

end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other

gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and

stone.

28:65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall

the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a

trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: 28:66 And

thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and

night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: 28:67 In the morning

thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say,

Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou

shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

28:68 And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by

the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again:

and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and

bondwomen, and no man shall buy you.

29:1 These are the words of the covenant, which the LORD commanded

Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside

the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

29:2 And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, Ye have

seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto

Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land; 29:3 The

great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those

great miracles: 29:4 Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to

perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.

29:5 And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes

are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy

foot.

29:6 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong

drink: that ye might know that I am the LORD your God.

29:7 And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and

Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote

them: 29:8 And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto

the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.

29:9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye

may prosper in all that ye do.

29:10 Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your

captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the

men of Israel, 29:11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger

that is in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy

water: 29:12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the LORD thy

God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this

day: 29:13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto

himself, and that he may be unto thee a God, as he hath said unto

thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and

to Jacob.

29:14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;

29:15 But with him that standeth here with us this day before the LORD

our God, and also with him that is not here with us this day: 29:16

(For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came

through the nations which ye passed by; 29:17 And ye have seen their

abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which

were among them:) 29:18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman,

or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD

our God, to go and serve the gods of these nations; lest there should

be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood; 29:19 And it come

to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless

himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the

imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: 29:20 The

LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his

jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are

written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out

his name from under heaven.

29:21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes

of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are

written in this book of the law: 29:22 So that the generation to come

of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that

shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of

that land, and the sicknesses which the LORD hath laid upon it; 29:23

And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning,

that it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like

the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the

LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath: 29:24 Even all nations

shall say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what

meaneth the heat of this great anger? 29:25 Then men shall say,

Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their

fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the

land of Egypt: 29:26 For they went and served other gods, and

worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and whom he had not given

unto them: 29:27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this

land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book:

29:28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in

wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as

it is this day.

29:29 The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things

which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that

we may do all the words of this law.

30:1 And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon

thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and

thou shalt call them to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD

thy God hath driven thee, 30:2 And shalt return unto the LORD thy God,

and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this

day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy

soul; 30:3 That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and

have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all

the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.

30:4 If any of thine be driven out unto the outmost parts of heaven,

from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he

fetch thee: 30:5 And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land

which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do

thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.

30:6 And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart

of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with

all thy soul, that thou mayest live.

30:7 And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine

enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.

30:8 And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all

his commandments which I command thee this day.

30:9 And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of

thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle,

and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again

rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers: 30:10 If

thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his

commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the

law, and if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and

with all thy soul.

30:11 For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not

hidden from thee, neither is it far off.

30:12 It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up

for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do

it? 30:13 Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who

shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear

it, and do it? 30:14 But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy

mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

30:15 See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death

and evil; 30:16 In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy

God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his

statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and

the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to

possess it.

30:17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but

shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; 30:18 I

denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye

shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over

Jordan to go to possess it.

30:19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I

have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore

choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: 30:20 That thou

mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and

that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length

of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware

unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

31:1 And Moses went and spake these words unto all Israel.

31:2 And he said unto them, I am an hundred and twenty years old this

day; I can no more go out and come in: also the LORD hath said unto

me, Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

31:3 The LORD thy God, he will go over before thee, and he will

destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them:

and Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as the LORD hath said.

31:4 And the LORD shall do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og,

kings of the Amorites, and unto the land of them, whom he destroyed.

31:5 And the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do

unto them according unto all the commandments which I have commanded

you.

31:6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them:

for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not

fail thee, nor forsake thee.

31:7 And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of

all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must go with

this people unto the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers

to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.

31:8 And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with

thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither

be dismayed.

31:9 And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the

sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto

all the elders of Israel.

31:10 And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of every seven

years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of

tabernacles, 31:11 When all Israel is come to appear before the LORD

thy God in the place which he shall choose, thou shalt read this law

before all Israel in their hearing.

31:12 Gather the people together, men and women, and children, and thy

stranger that is within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they

may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words

of this law: 31:13 And that their children, which have not known any

thing, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye

live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

31:14 And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thy days approach that

thou must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tabernacle

of the congregation, that I may give him a charge. And Moses and

Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the

congregation.

31:15 And the LORD appeared in the tabernacle in a pillar of a cloud:

and the pillar of the cloud stood over the door of the tabernacle.

31:16 And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thou shalt sleep with thy

fathers; and this people will rise up, and go a whoring after the gods

of the strangers of the land, whither they go to be among them, and

will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them.

31:17 Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I

will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall

be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall befall them; so that

they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us, because

our God is not among us? 31:18 And I will surely hide my face in that

day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are

turned unto other gods.

31:19 Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the

children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a

witness for me against the children of Israel.

31:20 For when I shall have brought them into the land which I sware

unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall

have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn

unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my

covenant.

31:21 And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are

befallen them, that this song shall testify against them as a witness;

for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I

know their imagination which they go about, even now, before I have

brought them into the land which I sware.

31:22 Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the

children of Israel.

31:23 And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong

and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel

into the land which I sware unto them: and I will be with thee.

31:24 And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the

words of this law in a book, until they were finished, 31:25 That

Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the

LORD, saying, 31:26 Take this book of the law, and put it in the side

of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there

for a witness against thee.

31:27 For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am

yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against the LORD;

and how much more after my death? 31:28 Gather unto me all the elders

of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in

their ears, and call heaven and earth to record against them.

31:29 For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt

yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you;

and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do evil

in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of

your hands.

31:30 And Moses spake in the ears of all the congregation of Israel

the words of this song, until they were ended.

32:1 Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the

words of my mouth.

32:2 My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the

dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon

the grass: 32:3 Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe

ye greatness unto our God.

32:4 He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are

judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

32:5 They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his

children: they are a perverse and crooked generation.

32:6 Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not

he thy father that hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and

established thee? 32:7 Remember the days of old, consider the years

of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy

elders, and they will tell thee.

32:8 When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when

he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people

according to the number of the children of Israel.

32:9 For the LORD's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his

inheritance.

32:10 He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling

wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the

apple of his eye.

32:11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young,

spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:

32:12 So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god

with him.

32:13 He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might

eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck honey out of

the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock; 32:14 Butter of kine, and

milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and

goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure

blood of the grape.

32:15 But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art

grown thick, thou art covered with fatness; then he forsook God which

made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.

32:16 They provoked him to jealousy with strange gods, with

abominations provoked they him to anger.

32:17 They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew

not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.

32:18 Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast

forgotten God that formed thee.

32:19 And when the LORD saw it, he abhorred them, because of the

provoking of his sons, and of his daughters.

32:20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what

their end shall be: for they are a very froward generation, children

in whom is no faith.

32:21 They have moved me to jealousy with that which is not God; they

have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to

jealousy with those which are not a people; I will provoke them to

anger with a foolish nation.

32:22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the

lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on

fire the foundations of the mountains.

32:23 I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon

them.

32:24 They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat,

and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon

them, with the poison of serpents of the dust.

32:25 The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the

young man and the virgin, the suckling also with the man of gray

hairs.

32:26 I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the

remembrance of them to cease from among men: 32:27 Were it not that I

feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave

themselves strangely, and lest they should say, Our hand is high, and

the LORD hath not done all this.

32:28 For they are a nation void of counsel, neither is there any

understanding in them.

32:29 O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they

would consider their latter end! 32:30 How should one chase a

thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had

sold them, and the LORD had shut them up? 32:31 For their rock is not

as our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges.

32:32 For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of

Gomorrah: their grapes are grapes of gall, their clusters are bitter:

32:33 Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of

asps.

32:34 Is not this laid up in store with me, and sealed up among my

treasures? 32:35 To me belongeth vengeance and recompence; their foot

shall slide in due time: for the day of their calamity is at hand, and

the things that shall come upon them make haste.

32:36 For the LORD shall judge his people, and repent himself for his

servants, when he seeth that their power is gone, and there is none

shut up, or left.

32:37 And he shall say, Where are their gods, their rock in whom they

trusted, 32:38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, and drank

the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, and

be your protection.

32:39 See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I

kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that

can deliver out of my hand.

32:40 For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever.

32:41 If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on

judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward

them that hate me.

32:42 I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall

devour flesh; and that with the blood of the slain and of the

captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy.

32:43 Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people: for he will avenge the

blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries,

and will be merciful unto his land, and to his people.

32:44 And Moses came and spake all the words of this song in the ears

of the people, he, and Hoshea the son of Nun.

32:45 And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel:

32:46 And he said unto them, Set your hearts unto all the words which

I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to

observe to do, all the words of this law.

32:47 For it is not a vain thing for you; because it is your life: and

through this thing ye shall prolong your days in the land, whither ye

go over Jordan to possess it.

32:48 And the LORD spake unto Moses that selfsame day, saying, 32:49

Get thee up into this mountain Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which is in

the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho; and behold the land of

Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession:

32:50 And die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto

thy people; as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered

unto his people: 32:51 Because ye trespassed against me among the

children of Israel at the waters of MeribahKadesh, in the wilderness

of Zin; because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the children of

Israel.

32:52 Yet thou shalt see the land before thee; but thou shalt not go

thither unto the land which I give the children of Israel.

33:1 And this is the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed

the children of Israel before his death.

33:2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto

them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands

of saints: from his right hand went a fiery law for them.

33:3 Yea, he loved the people; all his saints are in thy hand: and

they sat down at thy feet; every one shall receive of thy words.

33:4 Moses commanded us a law, even the inheritance of the

congregation of Jacob.

33:5 And he was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people and the

tribes of Israel were gathered together.

33:6 Let Reuben live, and not die; and let not his men be few.

33:7 And this is the blessing of Judah: and he said, Hear, LORD, the

voice of Judah, and bring him unto his people: let his hands be

sufficient for him; and be thou an help to him from his enemies.

33:8 And of Levi he said, Let thy Thummim and thy Urim be with thy

holy one, whom thou didst prove at Massah, and with whom thou didst

strive at the waters of Meribah; 33:9 Who said unto his father and to

his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he acknowledge his

brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word,

and kept thy covenant.

33:10 They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they

shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine

altar.

33:11 Bless, LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands;

smite through the loins of them that rise against him, and of them

that hate him, that they rise not again.

33:12 And of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in

safety by him; and the Lord shall cover him all the day long, and he

shall dwell between his shoulders.

33:13 And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD be his land, for the

precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth

beneath, 33:14 And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun,

and for the precious things put forth by the moon, 33:15 And for the

chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of

the lasting hills, 33:16 And for the precious things of the earth and

fulness thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush:

let the blessing come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the

head of him that was separated from his brethren.

33:17 His glory is like the firstling of his bullock, and his horns

are like the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people

together to the ends of the earth: and they are the ten thousands of

Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh.

33:18 And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and,

Issachar, in thy tents.

33:19 They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall

offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck of the

abundance of the seas, and of treasures hid in the sand.

33:20 And of Gad he said, Blessed be he that enlargeth Gad: he

dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head.

33:21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a

portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he came with the heads of

the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments

with Israel.

33:22 And of Dan he said, Dan is a lion's whelp: he shall leap from

Bashan.

33:23 And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and

full with the blessing of the LORD: possess thou the west and the

south.

33:24 And of Asher he said, Let Asher be blessed with children; let

him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil.

33:25 Thy shoes shall be iron and brass; and as thy days, so shall thy

strength be.

33:26 There is none like unto the God of Jeshurun, who rideth upon the

heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky.

33:27 The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the

everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee;

and shall say, Destroy them.

33:28 Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob

shall be upon a land of corn and wine; also his heavens shall drop

down dew.

33:29 Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved

by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy

excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou

shalt tread upon their high places.

34:1 And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of

Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho. And the LORD

shewed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan, 34:2 And all Naphtali,

and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto

the utmost sea, 34:3 And the south, and the plain of the valley of

Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar.

34:4 And the LORD said unto him, This is the land which I sware unto

Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy

seed: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not

go over thither.

34:5 So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab,

according to the word of the LORD.

34:6 And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against

Bethpeor: but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.

34:7 And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his

eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

34:8 And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab

thirty days: so the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

34:9 And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for

Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel

hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses.

34:10 And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses,

whom the LORD knew face to face, 34:11 In all the signs and the

wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt to

Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, 34:12 And in

all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed

in the sight of all Israel.

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1:1 Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to

pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister,

saying, 1:2 Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over

this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give

to them, even to the children of Israel.

1:3 Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have

I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.

1:4 From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river,

the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great

sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.

1:5 There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days

of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not

fail thee, nor forsake thee.

1:6 Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou

divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers

to give them.

1:7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe

to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee:

turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest

prosper withersoever thou goest.

1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou

shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do

according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy

way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

1:9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not

afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee

whithersoever thou goest.

1:10 Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying, 1:11

Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare you

victuals; for within three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go

in to possess the land, which the LORD your God giveth you to possess

it.

1:12 And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to half the tribe

of Manasseh, spake Joshua, saying, 1:13 Remember the word which Moses

the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, The LORD your God hath

given you rest, and hath given you this land.

1:14 Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in

the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan; but ye shall pass

before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valour, and help

them; 1:15 Until the LORD have given your brethren rest, as he hath

given you, and they also have possessed the land which the LORD your

God giveth them: then ye shall return unto the land of your

possession, and enjoy it, which Moses the LORD's servant gave you on

this side Jordan toward the sunrising.

1:16 And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we

will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.

1:17 According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we

hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with

Moses.

1:18 Whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will

not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall

be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.

2:1 And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men to spy

secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and

came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there.

2:2 And it was told the king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came

men in hither to night of the children of Israel to search out the

country.

2:3 And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the

men that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for

they be come to search out all the country.

2:4 And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There

came men unto me, but I wist not whence they were: 2:5 And it came to

pass about the time of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that

the men went out: whither the men went I wot not: pursue after them

quickly; for ye shall overtake them.

2:6 But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them

with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof.

2:7 And the men pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords:

and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut

the gate.

2:8 And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the

roof; 2:9 And she said unto the men, I know that the LORD hath given

you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the

inhabitants of the land faint because of you.

2:10 For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea

for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings

of the Amorites, that were on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og,

whom ye utterly destroyed.

2:11 And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt,

neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you:

for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth

beneath.

2:12 Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by the LORD, since I

have shewed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my

father's house, and give me a true token: 2:13 And that ye will save

alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and

all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.

2:14 And the men answered her, Our life for yours, if ye utter not

this our business. And it shall be, when the LORD hath given us the

land, that we will deal kindly and truly with thee.

2:15 Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her

house was upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall.

2:16 And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the

pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the

pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

2:17 And the men said unto her, We will be blameless of this thine

oath which thou hast made us swear.

2:18 Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this line of

scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down by: and thou

shalt bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy

father's household, home unto thee.

2:19 And it shall be, that whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy

house into the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and we will

be guiltless: and whosoever shall be with thee in the house, his blood

shall be on our head, if any hand be upon him.

2:20 And if thou utter this our business, then we will be quit of

thine oath which thou hast made us to swear.

2:21 And she said, According unto your words, so be it. And she sent

them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the

window.

2:22 And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three

days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them

throughout all the way, but found them not.

2:23 So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and

passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all

things that befell them: 2:24 And they said unto Joshua, Truly the

LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land; for even all the

inhabitants of the country do faint because of us.

3:1 And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from

Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and

lodged there before they passed over.

3:2 And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went

through the host; 3:3 And they commanded the people, saying, When ye

see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the

Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after

it.

3:4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand

cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by

which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.

3:5 And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to

morrow the LORD will do wonders among you.

3:6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the

covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of

the covenant, and went before the people.

3:7 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify

thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was

with Moses, so I will be with thee.

3:8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the

covenant, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the water of

Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.

3:9 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear

the words of the LORD your God.

3:10 And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God is

among you, and that he will without fail drive out from before you the

Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and

the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.

3:11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of the LORD of all the earth

passeth over before you into Jordan.

3:12 Now therefore take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel,

out of every tribe a man.

3:13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of

the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the LORD of all the earth,

shall rest in the waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan shall be

cut off from the waters that come down from above; and they shall

stand upon an heap.

3:14 And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to

pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant

before the people; 3:15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto

Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in

the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the

time of harvest,) 3:16 That the waters which came down from above

stood and rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that is

beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain,

even the salt sea, failed, and were cut off: and the people passed

over right against Jericho.

3:17 And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD

stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the

Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed

clean over Jordan.

4:1 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over

Jordan, that the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying, 4:2 Take you twelve

men out of the people, out of every tribe a man, 4:3 And command ye

them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the

place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and ye shall

carry them over with you, and leave them in the lodging place, where

ye shall lodge this night.

4:4 Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the

children of Israel, out of every tribe a man: 4:5 And Joshua said unto

them, Pass over before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of

Jordan, and take you up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder,

according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel: 4:6

That this may be a sign among you, that when your children ask their

fathers in time to come, saying, What mean ye by these stones? 4:7

Then ye shall answer them, That the waters of Jordan were cut off

before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it passed over

Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be

for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever.

4:8 And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up

twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto

Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of

Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they

lodged, and laid them down there.

4:9 And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the

place where the feet of the priests which bare the ark of the covenant

stood: and they are there unto this day.

4:10 For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan,

until everything was finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to speak

unto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Joshua: and the

people hasted and passed over.

4:11 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over,

that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence

of the people.

4:12 And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the

tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel, as

Moses spake unto them: 4:13 About forty thousand prepared for war

passed over before the LORD unto battle, to the plains of Jericho.

4:14 On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel;

and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.

4:15 And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying, 4:16 Command the priests

that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of Jordan.

4:17 Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come ye up out of

Jordan.

4:18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the

covenant of the LORD were come up out of the midst of Jordan, and the

soles of the priests' feet were lifted up unto the dry land, that the

waters of Jordan returned unto their place, and flowed over all his

banks, as they did before.

4:19 And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth day of the

first month, and encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho.

4:20 And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did

Joshua pitch in Gilgal.

4:21 And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your

children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, What mean

these stones? 4:22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying,

Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.

4:23 For the LORD your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before

you, until ye were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red

sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over: 4:24

That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that

it is mighty: that ye might fear the LORD your God for ever.

5:1 And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which

were on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the

Canaanites, which were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up

the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were

passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them

any more, because of the children of Israel.

5:2 At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives,

and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.

5:3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of

Israel at the hill of the foreskins.

5:4 And this is the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the people

that came out of Egypt, that were males, even all the men of war, died

in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

5:5 Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the

people that were born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth

out of Egypt, them they had not circumcised.

5:6 For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness,

till all the people that were men of war, which came out of Egypt,

were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto

whom the LORD sware that he would not shew them the land, which the

LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land that

floweth with milk and honey.

5:7 And their children, whom he raised up in their stead, them Joshua

circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not

circumcised them by the way.

5:8 And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the

people, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were

whole.

5:9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the

reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is

called Gilgal unto this day.

5:10 And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the

passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of

Jericho.

5:11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after

the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.

5:12 And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the

old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any

more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

5:13 And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted

up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against

him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and

said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries? 5:14 And he

said, Nay; but as captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And

Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto

him, What saith my Lord unto his servant? 5:15 And the captain of the

LORD's host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for

the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so.

6:1 Now Jericho was straitly shut up because of the children of

Israel: none went out, and none came in.

6:2 And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I have given into thine hand

Jericho, and the king thereof, and the mighty men of valour.

6:3 And ye shall compass the city, all ye men of war, and go round

about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

6:4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of

rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven

times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

6:5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with

the ram's horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the

people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall

fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight

before him.

6:6 And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them,

Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven

trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

6:7 And he said unto the people, Pass on, and compass the city, and

let him that is armed pass on before the ark of the LORD.

6:8 And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that

the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on

before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of the

covenant of the LORD followed them.

6:9 And the armed men went before the priests that blew with the

trumpets, and the rereward came after the ark, the priests going on,

and blowing with the trumpets.

6:10 And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall not shout,

nor make any noise with your voice, neither shall any word proceed out

of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.

6:11 So the ark of the LORD compassed the city, going about it once:

and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

6:12 And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the

ark of the LORD.

6:13 And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before

the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets:

and the armed men went before them; but the rereward came after the

ark of the LORD, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

6:14 And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned

into the camp: so they did six days.

6:15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early

about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same

manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven

times.

6:16 And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew

with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD

hath given you the city.

6:17 And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all that are

therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all

that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we

sent.

6:18 And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest

ye make yourselves accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and

make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.

6:19 But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are

consecrated unto the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the

LORD.

6:20 So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets:

and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet,

and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down

flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight

before him, and they took the city.

6:21 And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and

woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the

sword.

6:22 But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the

country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman,

and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her.

6:23 And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab,

and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she

had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the

camp of Israel.

6:24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: only

the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they

put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

6:25 And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's

household, and all that she had; and she dwelleth in Israel even unto

this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out

Jericho.

6:26 And Joshua adjured them at that time, saying, Cursed be the man

before the LORD, that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: he

shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest

son shall he set up the gates of it.

6:27 So the LORD was with Joshua; and his fame was noised throughout

all the country.

7:1 But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed

thing: for Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of

Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing: and the

anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.

7:2 And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Bethaven,

on the east of Bethel, and spake unto them, saying, Go up and view the

country.

And the men went up and viewed Ai.

7:3 And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the

people go up; but let about two or three thousand men go up and smite

Ai; and make not all the people to labour thither; for they are but

few.

7:4 So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men:

and they fled before the men of Ai.

7:5 And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they

chased them from before the gate even unto Shebarim, and smote them in

the going down: wherefore the hearts of the people melted, and became

as water.

7:6 And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face

before the ark of the LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of

Israel, and put dust upon their heads.

7:7 And Joshua said, Alas, O LORD God, wherefore hast thou at all

brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the

Amorites, to destroy us? would to God we had been content, and dwelt

on the other side Jordan! 7:8 O LORD, what shall I say, when Israel

turneth their backs before their enemies! 7:9 For the Canaanites and

all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall environ us

round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what wilt thou do unto

thy great name? 7:10 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up;

wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face? 7:11 Israel hath sinned, and

they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded them: for

they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and

dissembled also, and they have put it even among their own stuff.

7:12 Therefore the children of Israel could not stand before their

enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies, because they

were accursed: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy

the accursed from among you.

7:13 Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against to

morrow: for thus saith the LORD God of Israel, There is an accursed

thing in the midst of thee, O Israel: thou canst not stand before

thine enemies, until ye take away the accursed thing from among you.

7:14 In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your

tribes: and it shall be, that the tribe which the LORD taketh shall

come according to the families thereof; and the family which the LORD

shall take shall come by households; and the household which the LORD

shall take shall come man by man.

7:15 And it shall be, that he that is taken with the accursed thing

shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath: because he hath

transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he hath wrought

folly in Israel.

7:16 So Joshua rose up early in the morning, and brought Israel by

their tribes; and the tribe of Judah was taken: 7:17 And he brought

the family of Judah; and he took the family of the Zarhites: and he

brought the family of the Zarhites man by man; and Zabdi was taken:

7:18 And he brought his household man by man; and Achan, the son of

Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was

taken.

7:19 And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to

the LORD God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now

what thou hast done; hide it not from me.

7:20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against

the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done: 7:21 When I saw

among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels

of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted

them, and took them; and, behold, they are hid in the earth in the

midst of my tent, and the silver under it.

7:22 So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and,

behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under it.

7:23 And they took them out of the midst of the tent, and brought them

unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel, and laid them out

before the LORD.

7:24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah,

and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons,

and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his

tent, and all that he had: and they brought them unto the valley of

Achor.

7:25 And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall

trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones, and

burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

7:26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day. So

the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name

of that place was called, The valley of Achor, unto this day.

8:1 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed:

take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I

have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city,

and his land: 8:2 And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst

unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle

thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush

for the city behind it.

8:3 So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up against Ai:

and Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent

them away by night.

8:4 And he commanded them, saying, Behold, ye shall lie in wait

against the city, even behind the city: go not very far from the city,

but be ye all ready: 8:5 And I, and all the people that are with me,

will approach unto the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come

out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them, 8:6

(For they will come out after us) till we have drawn them from the

city; for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first:

therefore we will flee before them.

8:7 Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city:

for the LORD your God will deliver it into your hand.

8:8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, that ye shall set

the city on fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall ye

do. See, I have commanded you.

8:9 Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush,

and abode between Bethel and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua

lodged that night among the people.

8:10 And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people,

and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai.

8:11 And all the people, even the people of war that were with him,

went up, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the

north side of Ai: now there was a valley between them and Ai.

8:12 And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in

ambush between Bethel and Ai, on the west side of the city.

8:13 And when they had set the people, even all the host that was on

the north of the city, and their liers in wait on the west of the

city, Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley.

8:14 And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw it, that they hasted

and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Israel to

battle, he and all his people, at a time appointed, before the plain;

but he wist not that there were liers in ambush against him behind the

city.

8:15 And Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before

them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.

8:16 And all the people that were in Ai were called together to pursue

after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away from

the city.

8:17 And there was not a man left in Ai or Bethel, that went not out

after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel.

8:18 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch out the spear that is in

thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. And Joshua

stretched out the spear that he had in his hand toward the city.

8:19 And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as

soon as he had stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city,

and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire.

8:20 And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold,

the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to

flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness

turned back upon the pursuers.

8:21 And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the

city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again,

and slew the men of Ai.

8:22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were

in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and

they smote them, so that they let none of them remain or escape.

8:23 And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

8:24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all

the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they

chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword,

until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai,

and smote it with the edge of the sword.

8:25 And so it was, that all that fell that day, both of men and

women, were twelve thousand, even all the men of Ai.

8:26 For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the

spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

8:27 Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey

unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he

commanded Joshua.

8:28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, even a

desolation unto this day.

8:29 And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as

soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his

carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of

the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth

unto this day.

8:30 Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God of Israel in mount

Ebal, 8:31 As Moses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of

Israel, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of

whole stones, over which no man hath lift up any iron: and they

offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace

offerings.

8:32 And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses,

which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.

8:33 And all Israel, and their elders, and officers, and their judges,

stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the

Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, as well the

stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them over against

mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal; as Moses the

servant of the LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the

people of Israel.

8:34 And afterward he read all the words of the law, the blessings and

cursings, according to all that is written in the book of the law.

8:35 There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua

read not before all the congregation of Israel, with the women, and

the little ones, and the strangers that were conversant among them.

9:1 And it came to pass, when all the kings which were on this side

Jordan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the

great sea over against Lebanon, the Hittite, and the Amorite, the

Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard thereof;

9:2 That they gathered themselves together, to fight with Joshua and

with Israel, with one accord.

9:3 And when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done unto

Jericho and to Ai, 9:4 They did work wilily, and went and made as if

they had been ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their asses, and

wine bottles, old, and rent, and bound up; 9:5 And old shoes and

clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the bread

of their provision was dry and mouldy.

9:6 And they went to Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal, and said unto

him, and to the men of Israel, We be come from a far country: now

therefore make ye a league with us.

9:7 And the men of Israel said unto the Hivites, Peradventure ye dwell

among us; and how shall we make a league with you? 9:8 And they said

unto Joshua, We are thy servants. And Joshua said unto them, Who are

ye? and from whence come ye? 9:9 And they said unto him, From a very

far country thy servants are come because of the name of the LORD thy

God: for we have heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt,

9:10 And all that he did to the two kings of the Amorites, that were

beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan,

which was at Ashtaroth.

9:11 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake

to us, saying, Take victuals with you for the journey, and go to meet

them, and say unto them, We are your servants: therefore now make ye a

league with us.

9:12 This our bread we took hot for our provision out of our houses on

the day we came forth to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry, and

it is mouldy: 9:13 And these bottles of wine, which we filled, were

new; and, behold, they be rent: and these our garments and our shoes

are become old by reason of the very long journey.

9:14 And the men took of their victuals, and asked not counsel at the

mouth of the LORD.

9:15 And Joshua made peace with them, and made a league with them, to

let them live: and the princes of the congregation sware unto them.

9:16 And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made

a league with them, that they heard that they were their neighbours,

and that they dwelt among them.

9:17 And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities

on the third day. Now their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and

Beeroth, and Kirjathjearim.

9:18 And the children of Israel smote them not, because the princes of

the congregation had sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel. And

all the congregation murmured against the princes.

9:19 But all the princes said unto all the congregation, We have sworn

unto them by the LORD God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch

them.

9:20 This we will do to them; we will even let them live, lest wrath

be upon us, because of the oath which we sware unto them.

9:21 And the princes said unto them, Let them live; but let them be

hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation; as the

princes had promised them.

9:22 And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying,

Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, We are very far from you; when

ye dwell among us? 9:23 Now therefore ye are cursed, and there shall

none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood and

drawers of water for the house of my God.

9:24 And they answered Joshua, and said, Because it was certainly told

thy servants, how that the LORD thy God commanded his servant Moses to

give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land

from before you, therefore we were sore afraid of our lives because of

you, and have done this thing.

9:25 And now, behold, we are in thine hand: as it seemeth good and

right unto thee to do unto us, do.

9:26 And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of

the children of Israel, that they slew them not.

9:27 And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water

for the congregation, and for the altar of the LORD, even unto this

day, in the place which he should choose.

10:1 Now it came to pass, when Adonizedec king of Jerusalem had heard

how Joshua had taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; as he had done

to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king; and how

the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among

them; 10:2 That they feared greatly, because Gibeon was a great city,

as one of the royal cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and

all the men thereof were mighty.

10:3 Wherefore Adonizedec king of Jerusalem, sent unto Hoham king of

Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of

Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying, 10:4 Come up unto me,

and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: for it hath made peace with

Joshua and with the children of Israel.

10:5 Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem,

the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king

of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all

their hosts, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it.

10:6 And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal,

saying, Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly,

and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell

in the mountains are gathered together against us.

10:7 So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war

with him, and all the mighty men of valour.

10:8 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear them not: for I have

delivered them into thine hand; there shall not a man of them stand

before thee.

10:9 Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, and went up from Gilgal

all night.

10:10 And the LORD discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with

a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth

up to Bethhoron, and smote them to Azekah, and unto Makkedah.

10:11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, and were

in the going down to Bethhoron, that the LORD cast down great stones

from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more which

died with hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with

the sword.

10:12 Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered

up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the

sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in

the valley of Ajalon.

10:13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people

had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the

book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and

hasted not to go down about a whole day.

10:14 And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the

LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for

Israel.

10:15 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to

Gilgal.

10:16 But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at

Makkedah.

10:17 And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in

a cave at Makkedah.

10:18 And Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave,

and set men by it for to keep them: 10:19 And stay ye not, but pursue

after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to

enter into their cities: for the LORD your God hath delivered them

into your hand.

10:20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had

made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they

were consumed, that the rest which remained of them entered into

fenced cities.

10:21 And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in

peace: none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel.

10:22 Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out

those five kings unto me out of the cave.

10:23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out

of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of

Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon.

10:24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto

Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto

the captains of the men of war which went with him, Come near, put

your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put

their feet upon the necks of them.

10:25 And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong

and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies

against whom ye fight.

10:26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them

on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

10:27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun,

that Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast

them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in

the cave's mouth, which remain until this very day.

10:28 And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of

the sword, and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them, and all

the souls that were therein; he let none remain: and he did to the

king of Makkedah as he did unto the king of Jericho.

10:29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto

Libnah, and fought against Libnah: 10:30 And the LORD delivered it

also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it

with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein; he

let none remain in it; but did unto the king thereof as he did unto

the king of Jericho.

10:31 And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto

Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it: 10:32 And the

LORD delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it on the

second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls

that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

10:33 Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua

smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.

10:34 And from Lachish Joshua passed unto Eglon, and all Israel with

him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it: 10:35 And

they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and

all the souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day,

according to all that he had done to Lachish.

10:36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto

Hebron; and they fought against it: 10:37 And they took it, and smote

it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the

cities thereof, and all the souls that were therein; he left none

remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed

it utterly, and all the souls that were therein.

10:38 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to Debir; and

fought against it: 10:39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all

the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword,

and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none

remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the

king thereof; as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

10:40 So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south,

and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none

remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of

Israel commanded.

10:41 And Joshua smote them from Kadeshbarnea even unto Gaza, and all

the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon.

10:42 And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time,

because the LORD God of Israel fought for Israel.

10:43 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to

Gilgal.

11:1 And it came to pass, when Jabin king of Hazor had heard those

things, that he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of

Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph, 11:2 And to the kings that were

on the north of the mountains, and of the plains south of Chinneroth,

and in the valley, and in the borders of Dor on the west, 11:3 And to

the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and to the Amorite, and the

Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the mountains, and to

the Hivite under Hermon in the land of Mizpeh.

11:4 And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much

people, even as the sand that is upon the sea shore in multitude, with

horses and chariots very many.

11:5 And when all these kings were met together, they came and pitched

together at the waters of Merom, to fight against Israel.

11:6 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Be not afraid because of them: for

to morrow about this time will I deliver them up all slain before

Israel: thou shalt hough their horses, and burn their chariots with

fire.

11:7 So Joshua came, and all the people of war with him, against them

by the waters of Merom suddenly; and they fell upon them.

11:8 And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Israel, who smote

them, and chased them unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephothmaim, and

unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they

left them none remaining.

11:9 And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their

horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.

11:10 And Joshua at that time turned back, and took Hazor, and smote

the king thereof with the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head of

all those kingdoms.

11:11 And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of

the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe:

and he burnt Hazor with fire.

11:12 And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them,

did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and he

utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of the LORD commanded.

11:13 But as for the cities that stood still in their strength, Israel

burned none of them, save Hazor only; that did Joshua burn.

11:14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children

of Israel took for a prey unto themselves; but every man they smote

with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither

left they any to breathe.

11:15 As the LORD commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command

Joshua, and so did Joshua; he left nothing undone of all that the LORD

commanded Moses.

11:16 So Joshua took all that land, the hills, and all the south

country, and all the land of Goshen, and the valley, and the plain,

and the mountain of Israel, and the valley of the same; 11:17 Even

from the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even unto Baalgad in the

valley of Lebanon under mount Hermon: and all their kings he took, and

smote them, and slew them.

11:18 Joshua made war a long time with all those kings.

11:19 There was not a city that made peace with the children of

Israel, save the Hivites the inhabitants of Gibeon: all other they

took in battle.

11:20 For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should

come against Israel in battle, that he might destroy them utterly, and

that they might have no favour, but that he might destroy them, as the

LORD commanded Moses.

11:21 And at that time came Joshua, and cut off the Anakims from the

mountains, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the

mountains of Judah, and from all the mountains of Israel: Joshua

destroyed them utterly with their cities.

11:22 There was none of the Anakims left in the land of the children

of Israel: only in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod, there remained.

11:23 So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the LORD

said unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel

according to their divisions by their tribes. And the land rested from

war.

12:1 Now these are the kings of the land, which the children of Israel

smote, and possessed their land on the other side Jordan toward the

rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the

plain on the east: 12:2 Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt in

Heshbon, and ruled from Aroer, which is upon the bank of the river

Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even

unto the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon;

12:3 And from the plain to the sea of Chinneroth on the east, and unto

the sea of the plain, even the salt sea on the east, the way to

Bethjeshimoth; and from the south, under Ashdothpisgah: 12:4 And the

coast of Og king of Bashan, which was of the remnant of the giants,

that dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei, 12:5 And reigned in mount

Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the

Geshurites and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon

king of Heshbon.

12:6 Them did Moses the servant of the LORD and the children of Israel

smite: and Moses the servant of the LORD gave it for a possession unto

the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh.

12:7 And these are the kings of the country which Joshua and the

children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west, from Baalgad

in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to

Seir; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel for a possession

according to their divisions; 12:8 In the mountains, and in the

valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness,

and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the

Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: 12:9 The

king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which is beside Bethel, one;

12:10 The king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one; 12:11 The

king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one; 12:12 The king of

Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one; 12:13 The king of Debir, one; the

king of Geder, one; 12:14 The king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad,

one; 12:15 The king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one; 12:16

The king of Makkedah, one; the king of Bethel, one; 12:17 The king of

Tappuah, one; the king of Hepher, one; 12:18 The king of Aphek, one;

the king of Lasharon, one; 12:19 The king of Madon, one; the king of

Hazor, one; 12:20 The king of Shimronmeron, one; the king of Achshaph,

one; 12:21 The king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one; 12:22

The king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam of Carmel, one; 12:23 The

king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of

Gilgal, one; 12:24 The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and

one.

13:1 Now Joshua was old and stricken in years; and the LORD said unto

him, Thou art old and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very

much land to be possessed.

13:2 This is the land that yet remaineth: all the borders of the

Philistines, and all Geshuri, 13:3 From Sihor, which is before Egypt,

even unto the borders of Ekron northward, which is counted to the

Canaanite: five lords of the Philistines; the Gazathites, and the

Ashdothites, the Eshkalonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also

the Avites: 13:4 From the south, all the land of the Canaanites, and

Mearah that is beside the Sidonians unto Aphek, to the borders of the

Amorites: 13:5 And the land of the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward

the sunrising, from Baalgad under mount Hermon unto the entering into

Hamath.

13:6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Lebanon unto

Misrephothmaim, and all the Sidonians, them will I drive out from

before the children of Israel: only divide thou it by lot unto the

Israelites for an inheritance, as I have commanded thee.

13:7 Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine

tribes, and the half tribe of Manasseh, 13:8 With whom the Reubenites

and the Gadites have received their inheritance, which Moses gave

them, beyond Jordan eastward, even as Moses the servant of the LORD

gave them; 13:9 From Aroer, that is upon the bank of the river Arnon,

and the city that is in the midst of the river, and all the plain of

Medeba unto Dibon; 13:10 And all the cities of Sihon king of the

Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the children of

Ammon; 13:11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and

Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salcah; 13:12

All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in

Edrei, who remained of the remnant of the giants: for these did Moses

smite, and cast them out.

13:13 Nevertheless the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites,

nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell

among the Israelites until this day.

13:14 Only unto the tribes of Levi he gave none inheritance; the

sacrifices of the LORD God of Israel made by fire are their

inheritance, as he said unto them.

13:15 And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben

inheritance according to their families.

13:16 And their coast was from Aroer, that is on the bank of the river

Arnon, and the city that is in the midst of the river, and all the

plain by Medeba; 13:17 Heshbon, and all her cities that are in the

plain; Dibon, and Bamothbaal, and Bethbaalmeon, 13:18 And Jahaza, and

Kedemoth, and Mephaath, 13:19 And Kirjathaim, and Sibmah, and

Zarethshahar in the mount of the valley, 13:20 And Bethpeor, and

Ashdothpisgah, and Bethjeshimoth, 13:21 And all the cities of the

plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which

reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the princes of Midian, Evi,

and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, which were dukes of Sihon,

dwelling in the country.

13:22 Balaam also the son of Beor, the soothsayer, did the children of

Israel slay with the sword among them that were slain by them.

13:23 And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan, and the

border thereof. This was the inheritance of the children of Reuben

after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

13:24 And Moses gave inheritance unto the tribe of Gad, even unto the

children of Gad according to their families.

13:25 And their coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and

half the land of the children of Ammon, unto Aroer that is before

Rabbah; 13:26 And from Heshbon unto Ramathmizpeh, and Betonim; and

from Mahanaim unto the border of Debir; 13:27 And in the valley,

Betharam, and Bethnimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the

kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, Jordan and his border, even unto the

edge of the sea of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.

13:28 This is the inheritance of the children of Gad after their

families, the cities, and their villages.

13:29 And Moses gave inheritance unto the half tribe of Manasseh: and

this was the possession of the half tribe of the children of Manasseh

by their families.

13:30 And their coast was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom

of Og king of Bashan, and all the towns of Jair, which are in Bashan,

threescore cities: 13:31 And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei,

cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were pertaining unto the

children of Machir the son of Manasseh, even to the one half of the

children of Machir by their families.

13:32 These are the countries which Moses did distribute for

inheritance in the plains of Moab, on the other side Jordan, by

Jericho, eastward.

13:33 But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not any inheritance: the

LORD God of Israel was their inheritance, as he said unto them.

14:1 And these are the countries which the children of Israel

inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua

the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the

children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.

14:2 By lot was their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand

of Moses, for the nine tribes, and for the half tribe.

14:3 For Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half

tribe on the other side Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none

inheritance among them.

14:4 For the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim:

therefore they gave no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities

to dwell in, with their suburbs for their cattle and for their

substance.

14:5 As the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and

they divided the land.

14:6 Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb

the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the

thing that the LORD said unto Moses the man of God concerning me and

thee in Kadeshbarnea.

14:7 Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me

from Kadeshbarnea to espy out the land; and I brought him word again

as it was in mine heart.

14:8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of

the people melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.

14:9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy

feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for

ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.

14:10 And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these

forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses,

while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo,

I am this day fourscore and five years old.

14:11 As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the day that Moses

sent me: as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war,

both to go out, and to come in.

14:12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in

that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there,

and that the cities were great and fenced: if so be the LORD will be

with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.

14:13 And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh

Hebron for an inheritance.

14:14 Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of

Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he wholly followed

the LORD God of Israel.

14:15 And the name of Hebron before was Kirjatharba; which Arba was a

great man among the Anakims. And the land had rest from war.

15:1 This then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by

their families; even to the border of Edom the wilderness of Zin

southward was the uttermost part of the south coast.

15:2 And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from

the bay that looketh southward: 15:3 And it went out to the south side

to Maalehacrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the

south side unto Kadeshbarnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up

to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa: 15:4 From thence it passed

toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the goings out

of that coast were at the sea: this shall be your south coast.

15:5 And the east border was the salt sea, even unto the end of

Jordan.

And their border in the north quarter was from the bay of the sea at

the uttermost part of Jordan: 15:6 And the border went up to

Bethhogla, and passed along by the north of Betharabah; and the border

went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben: 15:7 And the border

went up toward Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward,

looking toward Gilgal, that is before the going up to Adummim, which

is on the south side of the river: and the border passed toward the

waters of Enshemesh, and the goings out thereof were at Enrogel: 15:8

And the border went up by the valley of the son of Hinnom unto the

south side of the Jebusite; the same is Jerusalem: and the border went

up to the top of the mountain that lieth before the valley of Hinnom

westward, which is at the end of the valley of the giants northward:

15:9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the

fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount

Ephron; and the border was drawn to Baalah, which is Kirjathjearim:

15:10 And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir,

and passed along unto the side of mount Jearim, which is Chesalon, on

the north side, and went down to Bethshemesh, and passed on to Timnah:

15:11 And the border went out unto the side of Ekron northward: and

the border was drawn to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and

went out unto Jabneel; and the goings out of the border were at the

sea.

15:12 And the west border was to the great sea, and the coast thereof.

This is the coast of the children of Judah round about according to

their families.

15:13 And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the

children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua,

even the city of Arba the father of Anak, which city is Hebron.

15:14 And Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and

Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak.

15:15 And he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name

of Debir before was Kirjathsepher.

15:16 And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjathsepher, and taketh it, to

him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife.

15:17 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and

he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

15:18 And it came to pass, as she came unto him, that she moved him to

ask of her father a field: and she lighted off her ass; and Caleb said

unto her, What wouldest thou? 15:19 Who answered, Give me a blessing;

for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water.

And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.

15:20 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah

according to their families.

15:21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah

toward the coast of Edom southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur,

15:22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah, 15:23 And Kedesh, and Hazor,

and Ithnan, 15:24 Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth, 15:25 And Hazor,

Hadattah, and Kerioth, and Hezron, which is Hazor, 15:26 Amam, and

Shema, and Moladah, 15:27 And Hazargaddah, and Heshmon, and Bethpalet,

15:28 And Hazarshual, and Beersheba, and Bizjothjah, 15:29 Baalah, and

Iim, and Azem, 15:30 And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah, 15:31 And

Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah, 15:32 And Lebaoth, and Shilhim,

and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities are twenty and nine, with their

villages: 15:33 And in the valley, Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,

15:34 And Zanoah, and Engannim, Tappuah, and Enam, 15:35 Jarmuth, and

Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah, 15:36 And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and

Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their villages: 15:37

Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdalgad, 15:38 And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and

Joktheel, 15:39 Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon, 15:40 And Cabbon, and

Lahmam, and Kithlish, 15:41 And Gederoth, Bethdagon, and Naamah, and

Makkedah; sixteen cities with their villages: 15:42 Libnah, and Ether,

and Ashan, 15:43 And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib, 15:44 And Keilah,

and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages: 15:45

Ekron, with her towns and her villages: 15:46 From Ekron even unto the

sea, all that lay near Ashdod, with their villages: 15:47 Ashdod with

her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto

the river of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border thereof: 15:48

And in the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh, 15:49 And Dannah,

and Kirjathsannah, which is Debir, 15:50 And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and

Anim, 15:51 And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their

villages: 15:52 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean, 15:53 And Janum, and

Bethtappuah, and Aphekah, 15:54 And Humtah, and Kirjatharba, which is

Hebron, and Zior; nine cities with their villages: 15:55 Maon, Carmel,

and Ziph, and Juttah, 15:56 And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah,

15:57 Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages: 15:58

Halhul, Bethzur, and Gedor, 15:59 And Maarath, and Bethanoth, and

Eltekon; six cities with their villages: 15:60 Kirjathbaal, which is

Kirjathjearim, and Rabbah; two cities with their villages: 15:61 In

the wilderness, Betharabah, Middin, and Secacah, 15:62 And Nibshan,

and the city of Salt, and Engedi; six cities with their villages.

15:63 As for the Jebusites the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the children

of Judah could not drive them out; but the Jebusites dwell with the

children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

16:1 And the lot of the children of Joseph fell from Jordan by

Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that

goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Bethel, 16:2 And goeth out from

Bethel to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth,

16:3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast

of Bethhoron the nether, and to Gezer; and the goings out thereof are

at the sea.

16:4 So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their

inheritance.

16:5 And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their

families was thus: even the border of their inheritance on the east

side was Atarothaddar, unto Bethhoron the upper; 16:6 And the border

went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the

border went about eastward unto Taanathshiloh, and passed by it on the

east to Janohah; 16:7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to

Naarath, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.

16:8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah;

and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This is the inheritance of

the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families.

16:9 And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim were among

the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their

villages.

16:10 And they drave not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but

the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve

under tribute.

17:1 There was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he was the

firstborn of Joseph; to wit, for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the

father of Gilead: because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead

and Bashan.

17:2 There was also a lot for the rest of the children of Manasseh by

their families; for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of

Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of

Shechem, and for the children of Hepher, and for the children of

Shemida: these were the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph by

their families.

17:3 But Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of

Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these are

the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and

Tirzah.

17:4 And they came near before Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua

the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The LORD commanded

Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren. Therefore

according to the commandment of the LORD he gave them an inheritance

among the brethren of their father.

17:5 And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of

Gilead and Bashan, which were on the other side Jordan; 17:6 Because

the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons: and the

rest of Manasseh's sons had the land of Gilead.

17:7 And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethah, that

lieth before Shechem; and the border went along on the right hand unto

the inhabitants of Entappuah.

17:8 Now Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but Tappuah on the border

of Manasseh belonged to the children of Ephraim; 17:9 And the coast

descended unto the river Kanah, southward of the river: these cities

of Ephraim are among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh

also was on the north side of the river, and the outgoings of it were

at the sea: 17:10 Southward it was Ephraim's, and northward it was

Manasseh's, and the sea is his border; and they met together in Asher

on the north, and in Issachar on the east.

17:11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher Bethshean and her

towns, and Ibleam and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her

towns, and the inhabitants of Endor and her towns, and the inhabitants

of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her

towns, even three countries.

17:12 Yet the children of Manasseh could not drive out the inhabitants

of those cities; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

17:13 Yet it came to pass, when the children of Israel were waxen

strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute, but did not utterly

drive them out.

17:14 And the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast

thou given me but one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing I am a

great people, forasmuch as the LORD hath blessed me hitherto? 17:15

And Joshua answered them, If thou be a great people, then get thee up

to the wood country, and cut down for thyself there in the land of the

Perizzites and of the giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.

17:16 And the children of Joseph said, The hill is not enough for us:

and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have

chariots of iron, both they who are of Bethshean and her towns, and

they who are of the valley of Jezreel.

17:17 And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, even to Ephraim and

to Manasseh, saying, Thou art a great people, and hast great power:

thou shalt not have one lot only: 17:18 But the mountain shall be

thine; for it is a wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the outgoings

of it shall be thine: for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though

they have iron chariots, and though they be strong.

18:1 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled

together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation

there. And the land was subdued before them.

18:2 And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes,

which had not yet received their inheritance.

18:3 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye

slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers

hath given you? 18:4 Give out from among you three men for each

tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and go through the

land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and they

shall come again to me.

18:5 And they shall divide it into seven parts: Judah shall abide in

their coast on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their

coasts on the north.

18:6 Ye shall therefore describe the land into seven parts, and bring

the description hither to me, that I may cast lots for you here before

the LORD our God.

18:7 But the Levites have no part among you; for the priesthood of the

LORD is their inheritance: and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of

Manasseh, have received their inheritance beyond Jordan on the east,

which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them.

18:8 And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that

went to describe the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and

describe it, and come again to me, that I may here cast lots for you

before the LORD in Shiloh.

18:9 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by

cities into seven parts in a book, and came again to Joshua to the

host at Shiloh.

18:10 And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the LORD: and

there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to

their divisions.

18:11 And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up

according to their families: and the coast of their lot came forth

between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.

18:12 And their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the

border went up to the side of Jericho on the north side, and went up

through the mountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the

wilderness of Bethaven.

18:13 And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of

Luz, which is Bethel, southward; and the border descended to

Atarothadar, near the hill that lieth on the south side of the nether

Bethhoron.

18:14 And the border was drawn thence, and compassed the corner of the

sea southward, from the hill that lieth before Bethhoron southward;

and the goings out thereof were at Kirjathbaal, which is

Kirjathjearim, a city of the children of Judah: this was the west

quarter.

18:15 And the south quarter was from the end of Kirjathjearim, and the

border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of

Nephtoah: 18:16 And the border came down to the end of the mountain

that lieth before the valley of the son of Hinnom, and which is in the

valley of the giants on the north, and descended to the valley of

Hinnom, to the side of Jebusi on the south, and descended to Enrogel,

18:17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to Enshemesh, and

went forth toward Geliloth, which is over against the going up of

Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben, 18:18

And passed along toward the side over against Arabah northward, and

went down unto Arabah: 18:19 And the border passed along to the side

of Bethhoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the

north bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this was the

south coast.

18:20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This was the

inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the coasts thereof round

about, according to their families.

18:21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin

according to their families were Jericho, and Bethhoglah, and the

valley of Keziz, 18:22 And Betharabah, and Zemaraim, and Bethel, 18:23

And Avim, and Pharah, and Ophrah, 18:24 And Chepharhaammonai, and

Ophni, and Gaba; twelve cities with their villages: 18:25 Gibeon, and

Ramah, and Beeroth, 18:26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah, 18:27

And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah, 18:28 And Zelah, Eleph, and

Jebusi, which is Jerusalem, Gibeath, and Kirjath; fourteen cities with

their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin

according to their families.

19:1 And the second lot came forth to Simeon, even for the tribe of

the children of Simeon according to their families: and their

inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Judah.

19:2 And they had in their inheritance Beersheba, and Sheba, and

Moladah, 19:3 And Hazarshual, and Balah, and Azem, 19:4 And Eltolad,

and Bethul, and Hormah, 19:5 And Ziklag, and Bethmarcaboth, and

Hazarsusah, 19:6 And Bethlebaoth, and Sharuhen; thirteen cities and

their villages: 19:7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four cities

and their villages: 19:8 And all the villages that were round about

these cities to Baalathbeer, Ramath of the south. This is the

inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their

families.

19:9 Out of the portion of the children of Judah was the inheritance

of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Judah was

too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their

inheritance within the inheritance of them.

19:10 And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according

to their families: and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:

19:11 And their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and

reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the river that is before

Jokneam; 19:12 And turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising

unto the border of Chislothtabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and

goeth up to Japhia, 19:13 And from thence passeth on along on the east

to Gittahhepher, to Ittahkazin, and goeth out to Remmonmethoar to

Neah; 19:14 And the border compasseth it on the north side to

Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Jiphthahel:

19:15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and

Bethlehem: twelve cities with their villages.

19:16 This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to

their families, these cities with their villages.

19:17 And the fourth lot came out to Issachar, for the children of

Issachar according to their families.

19:18 And their border was toward Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,

19:19 And Haphraim, and Shihon, and Anaharath, 19:20 And Rabbith, and

Kishion, and Abez, 19:21 And Remeth, and Engannim, and Enhaddah, and

Bethpazzez; 19:22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and

Bethshemesh; and the outgoings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen

cities with their villages.

19:23 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar

according to their families, the cities and their villages.

19:24 And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of

Asher according to their families.

19:25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,

19:26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal; and reacheth to Carmel

westward, and to Shihorlibnath; 19:27 And turneth toward the sunrising

to Bethdagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of Jiphthahel

toward the north side of Bethemek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul

on the left hand, 19:28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah,

even unto great Zidon; 19:29 And then the coast turneth to Ramah, and

to the strong city Tyre; and the coast turneth to Hosah; and the

outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to Achzib: 19:30 Ummah

also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages.

19:31 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher

according to their families, these cities with their villages.

19:32 The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, even for the

children of Naphtali according to their families.

19:33 And their coast was from Heleph, from Allon to Zaanannim, and

Adami, Nekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the outgoings thereof were

at Jordan: 19:34 And then the coast turneth westward to Aznothtabor,

and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the

south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west side, and to Judah upon

Jordan toward the sunrising.

19:35 And the fenced cities are Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and

Chinnereth, 19:36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor, 19:37 And Kedesh,

and Edrei, and Enhazor, 19:38 And Iron, and Migdalel, Horem, and

Bethanath, and Bethshemesh; nineteen cities with their villages.

19:39 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali

according to their families, the cities and their villages.

19:40 And the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of

Dan according to their families.

19:41 And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and

Irshemesh, 19:42 And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah, 19:43 And

Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron, 19:44 And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and

Baalath, 19:45 And Jehud, and Beneberak, and Gathrimmon, 19:46 And

Mejarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.

19:47 And the coast of the children of Dan went out too little for

them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem,

and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed

it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan

their father.

19:48 This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan

according to their families, these cities with their villages.

19:49 When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance

by their coasts, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua

the son of Nun among them: 19:50 According to the word of the LORD

they gave him the city which he asked, even Timnathserah in mount

Ephraim: and he built the city, and dwelt therein.

19:51 These are the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua

the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the

children of Israel, divided for an inheritance by lot in Shiloh before

the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. So they

made an end of dividing the country.

20:1 The LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying, 20:2 Speak to the

children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge,

whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses: 20:3 That the slayer

that killeth any person unawares and unwittingly may flee thither: and

they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.

20:4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand

at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause

in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the

city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.

20:5 And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not

deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour

unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.

20:6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the

congregation for judgment, and until the death of the high priest that

shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto

his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he

fled.

20:7 And they appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and

Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kirjatharba, which is Hebron, in the

mountain of Judah.

20:8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned

Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and

Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of

the tribe of Manasseh.

20:9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel,

and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever

killeth any person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the

hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

21:1 Then came near the heads of the fathers of the Levites unto

Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads

of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel; 21:2 And they

spake unto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saying, The LORD

commanded by the hand of Moses to give us cities to dwell in, with the

suburbs thereof for our cattle.

21:3 And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their

inheritance, at the commandment of the LORD, these cities and their

suburbs.

21:4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the

children of Aaron the priest, which were of the Levites, had by lot

out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of

the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities.

21:5 And the rest of the children of Kohath had by lot out of the

families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out

of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.

21:6 And the children of Gershon had by lot out of the families of the

tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe

of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen

cities.

21:7 The children of Merari by their families had out of the tribe of

Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun,

twelve cities.

21:8 And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these

cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

21:9 And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out

of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are here

mentioned by name.

21:10 Which the children of Aaron, being of the families of the

Kohathites, who were of the children of Levi, had: for theirs was the

first lot.

21:11 And they gave them the city of Arba the father of Anak, which

city is Hebron, in the hill country of Judah, with the suburbs thereof

round about it.

21:12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they

to Caleb the son of Jephunneh for his possession.

21:13 Thus they gave to the children of Aaron the priest Hebron with

her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Libnah with

her suburbs, 21:14 And Jattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her

suburbs, 21:15 And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs,

21:16 And Ain with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs, and

Bethshemesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.

21:17 And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba

with her suburbs, 21:18 Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her

suburbs; four cities.

21:19 All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, were

thirteen cities with their suburbs.

21:20 And the families of the children of Kohath, the Levites which

remained of the children of Kohath, even they had the cities of their

lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.

21:21 For they gave them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, to

be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Gezer with her suburbs, 21:22

And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs; four

cities.

21:23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibbethon

with her suburbs, 21:24 Aijalon with her suburbs, Gathrimmon with her

suburbs; four cities.

21:25 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbs,

and Gathrimmon with her suburbs; two cities.

21:26 All the cities were ten with their suburbs for the families of

the children of Kohath that remained.

21:27 And unto the children of Gershon, of the families of the

Levites, out of the other half tribe of Manasseh they gave Golan in

Bashan with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and

Beeshterah with her suburbs; two cities.

21:28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs,

Dabareh with her suburbs, 21:29 Jarmuth with her suburbs, Engannim

with her suburbs; four cities.

21:30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon

with her suburbs, 21:31 Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her

suburbs; four cities.

21:32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her

suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Hammothdor with

her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs; three cities.

21:33 All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families

were thirteen cities with their suburbs.

21:34 And unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the

Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and

Kartah with her suburbs, 21:35 Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with

her suburbs; four cities.

21:36 And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and

Jahazah with her suburbs, 21:37 Kedemoth with her suburbs, and

Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities.

21:38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs,

to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs,

21:39 Heshbon with her suburbs, Jazer with her suburbs; four cities in

all.

21:40 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families,

which were remaining of the families of the Levites, were by their lot

twelve cities.

21:41 All the cities of the Levites within the possession of the

children of Israel were forty and eight cities with their suburbs.

21:42 These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them:

thus were all these cities.

21:43 And the LORD gave unto Israel all the land which he sware to

give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.

21:44 And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that

he sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their

enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their

hand.

21:45 There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had

spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.

22:1 Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half

tribe of Manasseh, 22:2 And said unto them, Ye have kept all that

Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, and have obeyed my voice

in all that I commanded you: 22:3 Ye have not left your brethren these

many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment

of the LORD your God.

22:4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, as

he promised them: therefore now return ye, and get you unto your

tents, and unto the land of your possession, which Moses the servant

of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.

22:5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which

Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God,

and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to

cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all

your soul.

22:6 So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto

their tents.

22:7 Now to the one half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given

possession in Bashan: but unto the other half thereof gave Joshua

among their brethren on this side Jordan westward. And when Joshua

sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them, 22:8 And

he spake unto them, saying, Return with much riches unto your tents,

and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass,

and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your

enemies with your brethren.

22:9 And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half

tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel

out of Shiloh, which is in the land of Canaan, to go unto the country

of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were

possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

22:10 And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that are in the

land of Canaan, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the

half tribe of Manasseh built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar

to see to.

22:11 And the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of

Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have

built an altar over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of

Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel.

22:12 And when the children of Israel heard of it, the whole

congregation of the children of Israel gathered themselves together at

Shiloh, to go up to war against them.

22:13 And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and

to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the

land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, 22:14 And with

him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the

tribes of Israel; and each one was an head of the house of their

fathers among the thousands of Israel.

22:15 And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children

of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead,

and they spake with them, saying, 22:16 Thus saith the whole

congregation of the LORD, What trespass is this that ye have committed

against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from following the

LORD, in that ye have builded you an altar, that ye might rebel this

day against the LORD? 22:17 Is the iniquity of Peor too little for

us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was

a plague in the congregation of the LORD, 22:18 But that ye must turn

away this day from following the LORD? and it will be, seeing ye rebel

to day against the LORD, that to morrow he will be wroth with the

whole congregation of Israel.

22:19 Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession be unclean, then

pass ye over unto the land of the possession of the LORD, wherein the

LORD's tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us: but rebel

not against the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you an altar

beside the altar of the LORD our God.

22:20 Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed

thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel? and that man

perished not alone in his iniquity.

22:21 Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half

tribe of Manasseh answered, and said unto the heads of the thousands

of Israel, 22:22 The LORD God of gods, the LORD God of gods, he

knoweth, and Israel he shall know; if it be in rebellion, or if in

transgression against the LORD, (save us not this day,) 22:23 That we

have built us an altar to turn from following the LORD, or if to offer

thereon burnt offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace

offerings thereon, let the LORD himself require it; 22:24 And if we

have not rather done it for fear of this thing, saying, In time to

come your children might speak unto our children, saying, What have ye

to do with the LORD God of Israel? 22:25 For the LORD hath made

Jordan a border between us and you, ye children of Reuben and children

of Gad; ye have no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our

children cease from fearing the LORD.

22:26 Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not

for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice: 22:27 But that it may be a

witness between us, and you, and our generations after us, that we

might do the service of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings,

and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your

children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye have no part

in the LORD.

22:28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should so say to

us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say again,

Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made,

not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it is a witness

between us and you.

22:29 God forbid that we should rebel against the LORD, and turn this

day from following the LORD, to build an altar for burnt offerings,

for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the altar of the LORD

our God that is before his tabernacle.

22:30 And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the

congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him,

heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad

and the children of Manasseh spake, it pleased them.

22:31 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the

children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of

Manasseh, This day we perceive that the LORD is among us, because ye

have not committed this trespass against the LORD: now ye have

delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD.

22:32 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes,

returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad,

out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of

Israel, and brought them word again.

22:33 And the thing pleased the children of Israel; and the children

of Israel blessed God, and did not intend to go up against them in

battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad

dwelt.

22:34 And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the

altar Ed: for it shall be a witness between us that the LORD is God.

23:1 And it came to pass a long time after that the LORD had given

rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, that Joshua waxed

old and stricken in age.

23:2 And Joshua called for all Israel, and for their elders, and for

their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers, and said

unto them, I am old and stricken in age: 23:3 And ye have seen all

that the LORD your God hath done unto all these nations because of

you; for the LORD your God is he that hath fought for you.

23:4 Behold, I have divided unto you by lot these nations that remain,

to be an inheritance for your tribes, from Jordan, with all the

nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea westward.

23:5 And the LORD your God, he shall expel them from before you, and

drive them from out of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, as

the LORD your God hath promised unto you.

23:6 Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is

written in the book of the law of Moses, that ye turn not aside

therefrom to the right hand or to the left; 23:7 That ye come not

among these nations, these that remain among you; neither make mention

of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear by them, neither serve

them, nor bow yourselves unto them: 23:8 But cleave unto the LORD your

God, as ye have done unto this day.

23:9 For the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and

strong: but as for you, no man hath been able to stand before you unto

this day.

23:10 One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, he

it is that fighteth for you, as he hath promised you.

23:11 Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the LORD

your God.

23:12 Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave unto the remnant

of these nations, even these that remain among you, and shall make

marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you: 23:13 Know

for a certainty that the LORD your God will no more drive out any of

these nations from before you; but they shall be snares and traps unto

you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye

perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.

23:14 And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth: and

ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing

hath failed of all the good things which the LORD your God spake

concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath

failed thereof.

23:15 Therefore it shall come to pass, that as all good things are

come upon you, which the LORD your God promised you; so shall the LORD

bring upon you all evil things, until he have destroyed you from off

this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.

23:16 When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God,

which he commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed

yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled

against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which

he hath given unto you.

24:1 And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and

called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their

judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before

God.

24:2 And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of

Israel, Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time,

even Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they

served other gods.

24:3 And I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood,

and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his

seed, and gave him Isaac.

24:4 And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount

Seir, to possess it; but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.

24:5 I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to

that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out.

24:6 And I brought your fathers out of Egypt: and ye came unto the

sea; and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with chariots and

horsemen unto the Red sea.

24:7 And when they cried unto the LORD, he put darkness between you

and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them;

and your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the

wilderness a long season.

24:8 And I brought you into the land of the Amorites, which dwelt on

the other side Jordan; and they fought with you: and I gave them into

your hand, that ye might possess their land; and I destroyed them from

before you.

24:9 Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred

against Israel, and sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse

you: 24:10 But I would not hearken unto Balaam; therefore he blessed

you still: so I delivered you out of his hand.

24:11 And you went over Jordan, and came unto Jericho: and the men of

Jericho fought against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the

Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hivites, and

the Jebusites; and I delivered them into your hand.

24:12 And I sent the hornet before you, which drave them out from

before you, even the two kings of the Amorites; but not with thy

sword, nor with thy bow.

24:13 And I have given you a land for which ye did not labour, and

cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and

oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat.

24:14 Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in

truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other

side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD.

24:15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this

day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served

that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites,

in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the

LORD.

24:16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should

forsake the LORD, to serve other gods; 24:17 For the LORD our God, he

it is that brought us up and our fathers out of the land of Egypt,

from the house of bondage, and which did those great signs in our

sight, and preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all

the people through whom we passed: 24:18 And the LORD drave out from

before us all the people, even the Amorites which dwelt in the land:

therefore will we also serve the LORD; for he is our God.

24:19 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the LORD: for

he is an holy God; he is a jealous God; he will not forgive your

transgressions nor your sins.

24:20 If ye forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then he will

turn and do you hurt, and consume you, after that he hath done you

good.

24:21 And the people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will serve the

LORD.

24:22 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye are witnesses against

yourselves that ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve him. And they

said, We are witnesses.

24:23 Now therefore put away, said he, the strange gods which are

among you, and incline your heart unto the LORD God of Israel.

24:24 And the people said unto Joshua, The LORD our God will we serve,

and his voice will we obey.

24:25 So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them

a statute and an ordinance in Shechem.

24:26 And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and

took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that was by the

sanctuary of the LORD.

24:27 And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be

a witness unto us; for it hath heard all the words of the LORD which

he spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye

deny your God.

24:28 So Joshua let the people depart, every man unto his inheritance.

24:29 And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of

Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being an hundred and ten years

old.

24:30 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in

Timnathserah, which is in mount Ephraim, on the north side of the hill

of Gaash.

24:31 And Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the

days of the elders that overlived Joshua, and which had known all the

works of the LORD, that he had done for Israel.

24:32 And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up

out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in a parcel of ground which

Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred

pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the children of

Joseph.

24:33 And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in a hill

that pertained to Phinehas his son, which was given him in mount

Ephraim.

The Book of Judges

1:1 Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children

of Israel asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the

Canaanites first, to fight against them? 1:2 And the LORD said, Judah

shall go up: behold, I have delivered the land into his hand.

1:3 And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with me into my

lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites; and I likewise will go

with thee into thy lot. So Simeon went with him.

1:4 And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the

Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten

thousand men.

1:5 And they found Adonibezek in Bezek: and they fought against him,

and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.

1:6 But Adonibezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him,

and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

1:7 And Adonibezek said, Threescore and ten kings, having their thumbs

and their great toes cut off, gathered their meat under my table: as I

have done, so God hath requited me. And they brought him to Jerusalem,

and there he died.

1:8 Now the children of Judah had fought against Jerusalem, and had

taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword, and set the city

on fire.

1:9 And afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the

Canaanites, that dwelt in the mountain, and in the south, and in the

valley.

1:10 And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now

the name of Hebron before was Kirjatharba:) and they slew Sheshai, and

Ahiman, and Talmai.

1:11 And from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir: and the

name of Debir before was Kirjathsepher: 1:12 And Caleb said, He that

smiteth Kirjathsepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my

daughter to wife.

1:13 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, took it:

and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

1:14 And it came to pass, when she came to him, that she moved him to

ask of her father a field: and she lighted from off her ass; and Caleb

said unto her, What wilt thou? 1:15 And she said unto him, Give me a

blessing: for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of

water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs.

1:16 And the children of the Kenite, Moses' father in law, went up out

of the city of palm trees with the children of Judah into the

wilderness of Judah, which lieth in the south of Arad; and they went

and dwelt among the people.

1:17 And Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they slew the

Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and utterly destroyed it. And the

name of the city was called Hormah.

1:18 Also Judah took Gaza with the coast thereof, and Askelon with the

coast thereof, and Ekron with the coast thereof.

1:19 And the LORD was with Judah; and he drave out the inhabitants of

the mountain; but could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley,

because they had chariots of iron.

1:20 And they gave Hebron unto Caleb, as Moses said: and he expelled

thence the three sons of Anak.

1:21 And the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that

inhabited Jerusalem; but the Jebusites dwell with the children of

Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day.

1:22 And the house of Joseph, they also went up against Bethel: and

the LORD was with them.

1:23 And the house of Joseph sent to descry Bethel. (Now the name of

the city before was Luz.) 1:24 And the spies saw a man come forth out

of the city, and they said unto him, Shew us, we pray thee, the

entrance into the city, and we will shew thee mercy.

1:25 And when he shewed them the entrance into the city, they smote

the city with the edge of the sword; but they let go the man and all

his family.

1:26 And the man went into the land of the Hittites, and built a city,

and called the name thereof Luz: which is the name thereof unto this

day.

1:27 Neither did Manasseh drive out the inhabitants of Bethshean and

her towns, nor Taanach and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Dor and

her towns, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam and her towns, nor the

inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns: but the Canaanites would dwell

in that land.

1:28 And it came to pass, when Israel was strong, that they put the

Canaanites to tribute, and did not utterly drive them out.

1:29 Neither did Ephraim drive out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer;

but the Canaanites dwelt in Gezer among them.

1:30 Neither did Zebulun drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the

inhabitants of Nahalol; but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and

became tributaries.

1:31 Neither did Asher drive out the inhabitants of Accho, nor the

inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor

of Aphik, nor of Rehob: 1:32 But the Asherites dwelt among the

Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: for they did not drive them

out.

1:33 Neither did Naphtali drive out the inhabitants of Bethshemesh,

nor the inhabitants of Bethanath; but he dwelt among the Canaanites,

the inhabitants of the land: nevertheless the inhabitants of

Bethshemesh and of Bethanath became tributaries unto them.

1:34 And the Amorites forced the children of Dan into the mountain:

for they would not suffer them to come down to the valley: 1:35 But

the Amorites would dwell in mount Heres in Aijalon, and in Shaalbim:

yet the hand of the house of Joseph prevailed, so that they became

tributaries.

1:36 And the coast of the Amorites was from the going up to Akrabbim,

from the rock, and upward.

2:1 And an angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said,

I made you to go up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto the land

which I sware unto your fathers; and I said, I will never break my

covenant with you.

2:2 And ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land; ye

shall throw down their altars: but ye have not obeyed my voice: why

have ye done this? 2:3 Wherefore I also said, I will not drive them

out from before you; but they shall be as thorns in your sides, and

their gods shall be a snare unto you.

2:4 And it came to pass, when the angel of the LORD spake these words

unto all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their

voice, and wept.

2:5 And they called the name of that place Bochim: and they sacrificed

there unto the LORD.

2:6 And when Joshua had let the people go, the children of Israel went

every man unto his inheritance to possess the land.

2:7 And the people served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the

days of the elders that outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great

works of the LORD, that he did for Israel.

2:8 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being an

hundred and ten years old.

2:9 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in

Timnathheres, in the mount of Ephraim, on the north side of the hill

Gaash.

2:10 And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers:

and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the

LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel.

2:11 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and

served Baalim: 2:12 And they forsook the LORD God of their fathers,

which brought them out of the land of Egypt, and followed other gods,

of the gods of the people that were round about them, and bowed

themselves unto them, and provoked the LORD to anger.

2:13 And they forsook the LORD, and served Baal and Ashtaroth.

2:14 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he

delivered them into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and he

sold them into the hands of their enemies round about, so that they

could not any longer stand before their enemies.

2:15 Whithersoever they went out, the hand of the LORD was against

them for evil, as the LORD had said, and as the LORD had sworn unto

them: and they were greatly distressed.

2:16 Nevertheless the LORD raised up judges, which delivered them out

of the hand of those that spoiled them.

2:17 And yet they would not hearken unto their judges, but they went a

whoring after other gods, and bowed themselves unto them: they turned

quickly out of the way which their fathers walked in, obeying the

commandments of the LORD; but they did not so.

2:18 And when the LORD raised them up judges, then the LORD was with

the judge, and delivered them out of the hand of their enemies all the

days of the judge: for it repented the LORD because of their groanings

by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them.

2:19 And it came to pass, when the judge was dead, that they returned,

and corrupted themselves more than their fathers, in following other

gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; they ceased not from

their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.

2:20 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel; and he said,

Because that this people hath transgressed my covenant which I

commanded their fathers, and have not hearkened unto my voice; 2:21 I

also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations

which Joshua left when he died: 2:22 That through them I may prove

Israel, whether they will keep the way of the LORD to walk therein, as

their fathers did keep it, or not.

2:23 Therefore the LORD left those nations, without driving them out

hastily; neither delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.

3:1 Now these are the nations which the LORD left, to prove Israel by

them, even as many of Israel as had not known all the wars of Canaan;

3:2 Only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to

teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof; 3:3

Namely, five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the

Sidonians, and the Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount

Baalhermon unto the entering in of Hamath.

3:4 And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would

hearken unto the commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their

fathers by the hand of Moses.

3:5 And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites,

and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites: 3:6 And they

took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to

their sons, and served their gods.

3:7 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and

forgat the LORD their God, and served Baalim and the groves.

3:8 Therefore the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he

sold them into the hand of Chushanrishathaim king of Mesopotamia: and

the children of Israel served Chushanrishathaim eight years.

3:9 And when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD

raised up a deliverer to the children of Israel, who delivered them,

even Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother.

3:10 And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he judged Israel,

and went out to war: and the LORD delivered Chushanrishathaim king of

Mesopotamia into his hand; and his hand prevailed against

Chushanrishathaim.

3:11 And the land had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz

died.

3:12 And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the

LORD: and the LORD strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel,

because they had done evil in the sight of the LORD.

3:13 And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek, and

went and smote Israel, and possessed the city of palm trees.

3:14 So the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen

years.

3:15 But when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD

raised them up a deliverer, Ehud the son of Gera, a Benjamite, a man

lefthanded: and by him the children of Israel sent a present unto

Eglon the king of Moab.

3:16 But Ehud made him a dagger which had two edges, of a cubit

length; and he did gird it under his raiment upon his right thigh.

3:17 And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon was

a very fat man.

3:18 And when he had made an end to offer the present, he sent away

the people that bare the present.

3:19 But he himself turned again from the quarries that were by

Gilgal, and said, I have a secret errand unto thee, O king: who said,

Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out from him.

3:20 And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in a summer parlour,

which he had for himself alone. And Ehud said, I have a message from

God unto thee.

And he arose out of his seat.

3:21 And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his

right thigh, and thrust it into his belly: 3:22 And the haft also went

in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he

could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and the dirt came out.

3:23 Then Ehud went forth through the porch, and shut the doors of the

parlour upon him, and locked them.

3:24 When he was gone out, his servants came; and when they saw that,

behold, the doors of the parlour were locked, they said, Surely he

covereth his feet in his summer chamber.

3:25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, behold, he opened

not the doors of the parlour; therefore they took a key, and opened

them: and, behold, their lord was fallen down dead on the earth.

3:26 And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the

quarries, and escaped unto Seirath.

3:27 And it came to pass, when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in

the mountain of Ephraim, and the children of Israel went down with him

from the mount, and he before them.

3:28 And he said unto them, Follow after me: for the LORD hath

delivered your enemies the Moabites into your hand. And they went down

after him, and took the fords of Jordan toward Moab, and suffered not

a man to pass over.

3:29 And they slew of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, all

lusty, and all men of valour; and there escaped not a man.

3:30 So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the

land had rest fourscore years.

3:31 And after him was Shamgar the son of Anath, which slew of the

Philistines six hundred men with an ox goad: and he also delivered

Israel.

4:1 And the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the

LORD, when Ehud was dead.

4:2 And the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that

reigned in Hazor; the captain of whose host was Sisera, which dwelt in

Harosheth of the Gentiles.

4:3 And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD: for he had nine

hundred chariots of iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the

children of Israel.

4:4 And Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, she judged Israel

at that time.

4:5 And she dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and

Bethel in mount Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for

judgment.

4:6 And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam out of

Kedeshnaphtali, and said unto him, Hath not the LORD God of Israel

commanded, saying, Go and draw toward mount Tabor, and take with thee

ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children of

Zebulun? 4:7 And I will draw unto thee to the river Kishon Sisera,

the captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his multitude; and

I will deliver him into thine hand.

4:8 And Barak said unto her, If thou wilt go with me, then I will go:

but if thou wilt not go with me, then I will not go.

4:9 And she said, I will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the

journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honour; for the LORD

shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and

went with Barak to Kedesh.

4:10 And Barak called Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and he went up

with ten thousand men at his feet: and Deborah went up with him.

4:11 Now Heber the Kenite, which was of the children of Hobab the

father in law of Moses, had severed himself from the Kenites, and

pitched his tent unto the plain of Zaanaim, which is by Kedesh.

4:12 And they shewed Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up

to mount Tabor.

4:13 And Sisera gathered together all his chariots, even nine hundred

chariots of iron, and all the people that were with him, from

Harosheth of the Gentiles unto the river of Kishon.

4:14 And Deborah said unto Barak, Up; for this is the day in which the

LORD hath delivered Sisera into thine hand: is not the LORD gone out

before thee? So Barak went down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men

after him.

4:15 And the LORD discomfited Sisera, and all his chariots, and all

his host, with the edge of the sword before Barak; so that Sisera

lighted down off his chariot, and fled away on his feet.

4:16 But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto

Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera fell upon the

edge of the sword; and there was not a man left.

4:17 Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet to the tent of Jael the wife

of Heber the Kenite: for there was peace between Jabin the king of

Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.

4:18 And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, Turn in, my

lord, turn in to me; fear not. And when he had turned in unto her into

the tent, she covered him with a mantle.

4:19 And he said unto her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water to

drink; for I am thirsty. And she opened a bottle of milk, and gave him

drink, and covered him.

4:20 Again he said unto her, Stand in the door of the tent, and it

shall be, when any man doth come and enquire of thee, and say, Is

there any man here? that thou shalt say, No.

4:21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and took an

hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the nail into

his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep

and weary. So he died.

4:22 And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him,

and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou

seekest. And when he came into her tent, behold, Sisera lay dead, and

the nail was in his temples.

4:23 So God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the

children of Israel.

4:24 And the hand of the children of Israel prospered, and prevailed

against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king

of Canaan.

5:1 Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day,

saying, 5:2 Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, when the

people willingly offered themselves.

5:3 Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes; I, even I, will sing

unto the LORD; I will sing praise to the LORD God of Israel.

5:4 LORD, when thou wentest out of Seir, when thou marchedst out of

the field of Edom, the earth trembled, and the heavens dropped, the

clouds also dropped water.

5:5 The mountains melted from before the LORD, even that Sinai from

before the LORD God of Israel.

5:6 In the days of Shamgar the son of Anath, in the days of Jael, the

highways were unoccupied, and the travellers walked through byways.

5:7 The inhabitants of the villages ceased, they ceased in Israel,

until that I Deborah arose, that I arose a mother in Israel.

5:8 They chose new gods; then was war in the gates: was there a shield

or spear seen among forty thousand in Israel? 5:9 My heart is toward

the governors of Israel, that offered themselves willingly among the

people. Bless ye the LORD.

5:10 Speak, ye that ride on white asses, ye that sit in judgment, and

walk by the way.

5:11 They that are delivered from the noise of archers in the places

of drawing water, there shall they rehearse the righteous acts of the

LORD, even the righteous acts toward the inhabitants of his villages

in Israel: then shall the people of the LORD go down to the gates.

5:12 Awake, awake, Deborah: awake, awake, utter a song: arise, Barak,

and lead thy captivity captive, thou son of Abinoam.

5:13 Then he made him that remaineth have dominion over the nobles

among the people: the LORD made me have dominion over the mighty.

5:14 Out of Ephraim was there a root of them against Amalek; after

thee, Benjamin, among thy people; out of Machir came down governors,

and out of Zebulun they that handle the pen of the writer.

5:15 And the princes of Issachar were with Deborah; even Issachar, and

also Barak: he was sent on foot into the valley. For the divisions of

Reuben there were great thoughts of heart.

5:16 Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds, to hear the bleatings of

the flocks? For the divisions of Reuben there were great searchings of

heart.

5:17 Gilead abode beyond Jordan: and why did Dan remain in ships?

Asher continued on the sea shore, and abode in his breaches.

5:18 Zebulun and Naphtali were a people that jeoparded their lives

unto the death in the high places of the field.

5:19 The kings came and fought, then fought the kings of Canaan in

Taanach by the waters of Megiddo; they took no gain of money.

5:20 They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought

against Sisera.

5:21 The river of Kishon swept them away, that ancient river, the

river Kishon. O my soul, thou hast trodden down strength.

5:22 Then were the horsehoofs broken by the means of the pransings,

the pransings of their mighty ones.

5:23 Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD, curse ye bitterly the

inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the LORD, to

the help of the LORD against the mighty.

5:24 Blessed above women shall Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite be,

blessed shall she be above women in the tent.

5:25 He asked water, and she gave him milk; she brought forth butter

in a lordly dish.

5:26 She put her hand to the nail, and her right hand to the workmen's

hammer; and with the hammer she smote Sisera, she smote off his head,

when she had pierced and stricken through his temples.

5:27 At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay down: at her feet he bowed,

he fell: where he bowed, there he fell down dead.

5:28 The mother of Sisera looked out at a window, and cried through

the lattice, Why is his chariot so long in coming? why tarry the

wheels of his chariots? 5:29 Her wise ladies answered her, yea, she

returned answer to herself, 5:30 Have they not sped? have they not

divided the prey; to every man a damsel or two; to Sisera a prey of

divers colours, a prey of divers colours of needlework, of divers

colours of needlework on both sides, meet for the necks of them that

take the spoil? 5:31 So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but let

them that love him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might. And

the land had rest forty years.

6:1 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD: and

the LORD delivered them into the hand of Midian seven years.

6:2 And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel: and because of

the Midianites the children of Israel made them the dens which are in

the mountains, and caves, and strong holds.

6:3 And so it was, when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up,

and the Amalekites, and the children of the east, even they came up

against them; 6:4 And they encamped against them, and destroyed the

increase of the earth, till thou come unto Gaza, and left no

sustenance for Israel, neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass.

6:5 For they came up with their cattle and their tents, and they came

as grasshoppers for multitude; for both they and their camels were

without number: and they entered into the land to destroy it.

6:6 And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and

the children of Israel cried unto the LORD.

6:7 And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the

LORD because of the Midianites, 6:8 That the LORD sent a prophet unto

the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God

of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of

the house of bondage; 6:9 And I delivered you out of the hand of the

Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drave

them out from before you, and gave you their land; 6:10 And I said

unto you, I am the LORD your God; fear not the gods of the Amorites,

in whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.

6:11 And there came an angel of the LORD, and sat under an oak which

was in Ophrah, that pertained unto Joash the Abiezrite: and his son

Gideon threshed wheat by the winepress, to hide it from the

Midianites.

6:12 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him,

The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man of valour.

6:13 And Gideon said unto him, Oh my Lord, if the LORD be with us, why

then is all this befallen us? and where be all his miracles which our

fathers told us of, saying, Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?

but now the LORD hath forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of

the Midianites.

6:14 And the LORD looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and

thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I

sent thee? 6:15 And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I

save Israel? behold, my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the

least in my father's house.

6:16 And the LORD said unto him, Surely I will be with thee, and thou

shalt smite the Midianites as one man.

6:17 And he said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight,

then shew me a sign that thou talkest with me.

6:18 Depart not hence, I pray thee, until I come unto thee, and bring

forth my present, and set it before thee. And he said, I will tarry

until thou come again.

6:19 And Gideon went in, and made ready a kid, and unleavened cakes of

an ephah of flour: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth

in a pot, and brought it out unto him under the oak, and presented it.

6:20 And the angel of God said unto him, Take the flesh and the

unleavened cakes, and lay them upon this rock, and pour out the broth.

And he did so.

6:21 Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that

was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and

there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the

unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of his

sight.

6:22 And when Gideon perceived that he was an angel of the LORD,

Gideon said, Alas, O LORD God! for because I have seen an angel of the

LORD face to face.

6:23 And the LORD said unto him, Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou

shalt not die.

6:24 Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, and called it

Jehovahshalom: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

6:25 And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him,

Take thy father's young bullock, even the second bullock of seven

years old, and throw down the altar of Baal that thy father hath, and

cut down the grove that is by it: 6:26 And build an altar unto the

LORD thy God upon the top of this rock, in the ordered place, and take

the second bullock, and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the

grove which thou shalt cut down.

6:27 Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and did as the LORD had

said unto him: and so it was, because he feared his father's

household, and the men of the city, that he could not do it by day,

that he did it by night.

6:28 And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold,

the altar of Baal was cast down, and the grove was cut down that was

by it, and the second bullock was offered upon the altar that was

built.

6:29 And they said one to another, Who hath done this thing? And when

they enquired and asked, they said, Gideon the son of Joash hath done

this thing.

6:30 Then the men of the city said unto Joash, Bring out thy son, that

he may die: because he hath cast down the altar of Baal, and because

he hath cut down the grove that was by it.

6:31 And Joash said unto all that stood against him, Will ye plead for

Baal? will ye save him? he that will plead for him, let him be put to

death whilst it is yet morning: if he be a god, let him plead for

himself, because one hath cast down his altar.

6:32 Therefore on that day he called him Jerubbaal, saying, Let Baal

plead against him, because he hath thrown down his altar.

6:33 Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites and the children of

the east were gathered together, and went over, and pitched in the

valley of Jezreel.

6:34 But the Spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon, and he blew a

trumpet; and Abiezer was gathered after him.

6:35 And he sent messengers throughout all Manasseh; who also was

gathered after him: and he sent messengers unto Asher, and unto

Zebulun, and unto Naphtali; and they came up to meet them.

6:36 And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand,

as thou hast said, 6:37 Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the

floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only, and it be dry upon all

the earth beside, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine

hand, as thou hast said.

6:38 And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the

fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of

water.

6:39 And Gideon said unto God, Let not thine anger be hot against me,

and I will speak but this once: let me prove, I pray thee, but this

once with the fleece; let it now be dry only upon the fleece, and upon

all the ground let there be dew.

6:40 And God did so that night: for it was dry upon the fleece only,

and there was dew on all the ground.

7:1 Then Jerubbaal, who is Gideon, and all the people that were with

him, rose up early, and pitched beside the well of Harod: so that the

host of the Midianites were on the north side of them, by the hill of

Moreh, in the valley.

7:2 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that are with thee are

too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel

vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.

7:3 Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the people, saying,

Whosoever is fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from

mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two

thousand; and there remained ten thousand.

7:4 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people are yet too many; bring

them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there: and it

shall be, that of whom I say unto thee, This shall go with thee, the

same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, This shall

not go with thee, the same shall not go.

7:5 So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said

unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a

dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that

boweth down upon his knees to drink.

7:6 And the number of them that lapped, putting their hand to their

mouth, were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed

down upon their knees to drink water.

7:7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that

lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand:

and let all the other people go every man unto his place.

7:8 So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and

he sent all the rest of Israel every man unto his tent, and retained

those three hundred men: and the host of Midian was beneath him in the

valley.

7:9 And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him,

Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine

hand.

7:10 But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down

to the host: 7:11 And thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward

shall thine hands be strengthened to go down unto the host. Then went

he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the armed men that

were in the host.

7:12 And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the

east lay along in the valley like grasshoppers for multitude; and

their camels were without number, as the sand by the sea side for

multitude.

7:13 And when Gideon was come, behold, there was a man that told a

dream unto his fellow, and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a

cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto a

tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay

along.

7:14 And his fellow answered and said, This is nothing else save the

sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: for into his hand

hath God delivered Midian, and all the host.

7:15 And it was so, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and

the interpretation thereof, that he worshipped, and returned into the

host of Israel, and said, Arise; for the LORD hath delivered into your

hand the host of Midian.

7:16 And he divided the three hundred men into three companies, and he

put a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and lamps

within the pitchers.

7:17 And he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold,

when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be that, as I do, so

shall ye do.

7:18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that are with me, then blow

ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, The sword

of the LORD, and of Gideon.

7:19 So Gideon, and the hundred men that were with him, came unto the

outside of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch; and they had

but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake the

pitchers that were in their hands.

7:20 And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the

pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in

their right hands to blow withal: and they cried, The sword of the

LORD, and of Gideon.

7:21 And they stood every man in his place round about the camp; and

all the host ran, and cried, and fled.

7:22 And the three hundred blew the trumpets, and the LORD set every

man's sword against his fellow, even throughout all the host: and the

host fled to Bethshittah in Zererath, and to the border of

Abelmeholah, unto Tabbath.

7:23 And the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of

Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after

the Midianites.

7:24 And Gideon sent messengers throughout all mount Ephraim, saying,

come down against the Midianites, and take before them the waters unto

Bethbarah and Jordan. Then all the men of Ephraim gathered themselves

together, and took the waters unto Bethbarah and Jordan.

7:25 And they took two princes of the Midianites, Oreb and Zeeb; and

they slew Oreb upon the rock Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress

of Zeeb, and pursued Midian, and brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to

Gideon on the other side Jordan.

8:1 And the men of Ephraim said unto him, Why hast thou served us

thus, that thou calledst us not, when thou wentest to fight with the

Midianites? And they did chide with him sharply.

8:2 And he said unto them, What have I done now in comparison of you?

Is not the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage

of Abiezer? 8:3 God hath delivered into your hands the princes of

Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you?

Then their anger was abated toward him, when he had said that.

8:4 And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three

hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing them.

8:5 And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of

bread unto the people that follow me; for they be faint, and I am

pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of Midian.

8:6 And the princes of Succoth said, Are the hands of Zebah and

Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thine army?

8:7 And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath delivered Zebah and

Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will tear your flesh with the thorns

of the wilderness and with briers.

8:8 And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise: and

the men of Penuel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered him.

8:9 And he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come

again in peace, I will break down this tower.

8:10 Now Zebah and Zalmunna were in Karkor, and their hosts with them,

about fifteen thousand men, all that were left of all the hosts of the

children of the east: for there fell an hundred and twenty thousand

men that drew sword.

8:11 And Gideon went up by the way of them that dwelt in tents on the

east of Nobah and Jogbehah, and smote the host; for the host was

secure.

8:12 And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he pursued after them, and took

the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and discomfited all the

host.

8:13 And Gideon the son of Joash returned from battle before the sun

was up, 8:14 And caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and

enquired of him: and he described unto him the princes of Succoth, and

the elders thereof, even threescore and seventeen men.

8:15 And he came unto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold Zebah and

Zalmunna, with whom ye did upbraid me, saying, Are the hands of Zebah

and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thy men

that are weary? 8:16 And he took the elders of the city, and thorns

of the wilderness and briers, and with them he taught the men of

Succoth.

8:17 And he beat down the tower of Penuel, and slew the men of the

city.

8:18 Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men were

they whom ye slew at Tabor? And they answered, As thou art, so were

they; each one resembled the children of a king.

8:19 And he said, They were my brethren, even the sons of my mother:

as the LORD liveth, if ye had saved them alive, I would not slay you.

8:20 And he said unto Jether his firstborn, Up, and slay them. But the

youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he was yet a youth.

8:21 Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as

the man is, so is his strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and

Zalmunna, and took away the ornaments that were on their camels'

necks.

8:22 Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon, Rule thou over us, both

thou, and thy son, and thy son's son also: for thou hast delivered us

from the hand of Midian.

8:23 And Gideon said unto them, I will not rule over you, neither

shall my son rule over you: the LORD shall rule over you.

8:24 And Gideon said unto them, I would desire a request of you, that

ye would give me every man the earrings of his prey. (For they had

golden earrings, because they were Ishmaelites.) 8:25 And they

answered, We will willingly give them. And they spread a garment, and

did cast therein every man the earrings of his prey.

8:26 And the weight of the golden earrings that he requested was a

thousand and seven hundred shekels of gold; beside ornaments, and

collars, and purple raiment that was on the kings of Midian, and

beside the chains that were about their camels' necks.

8:27 And Gideon made an ephod thereof, and put it in his city, even in

Ophrah: and all Israel went thither a whoring after it: which thing

became a snare unto Gideon, and to his house.

8:28 Thus was Midian subdued before the children of Israel, so that

they lifted up their heads no more. And the country was in quietness

forty years in the days of Gideon.

8:29 And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and dwelt in his own house.

8:30 And Gideon had threescore and ten sons of his body begotten: for

he had many wives.

8:31 And his concubine that was in Shechem, she also bare him a son,

whose name he called Abimelech.

8:32 And Gideon the son of Joash died in a good old age, and was

buried in the sepulchre of Joash his father, in Ophrah of the

Abiezrites.

8:33 And it came to pass, as soon as Gideon was dead, that the

children of Israel turned again, and went a whoring after Baalim, and

made Baalberith their god.

8:34 And the children of Israel remembered not the LORD their God, who

had delivered them out of the hands of all their enemies on every

side: 8:35 Neither shewed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal,

namely, Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had shewed unto

Israel.

9:1 And Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem unto his

mother's brethren, and communed with them, and with all the family of

the house of his mother's father, saying, 9:2 Speak, I pray you, in

the ears of all the men of Shechem, Whether is better for you, either

that all the sons of Jerubbaal, which are threescore and ten persons,

reign over you, or that one reign over you? remember also that I am

your bone and your flesh.

9:3 And his mother's brethren spake of him in the ears of all the men

of Shechem all these words: and their hearts inclined to follow

Abimelech; for they said, He is our brother.

9:4 And they gave him threescore and ten pieces of silver out of the

house of Baalberith, wherewith Abimelech hired vain and light persons,

which followed him.

9:5 And he went unto his father's house at Ophrah, and slew his

brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, being threescore and ten persons, upon

one stone: notwithstanding yet Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal

was left; for he hid himself.

9:6 And all the men of Shechem gathered together, and all the house of

Millo, and went, and made Abimelech king, by the plain of the pillar

that was in Shechem.

9:7 And when they told it to Jotham, he went and stood in the top of

mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto them,

Hearken unto me, ye men of Shechem, that God may hearken unto you.

9:8 The trees went forth on a time to anoint a king over them; and

they said unto the olive tree, Reign thou over us.

9:9 But the olive tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness,

wherewith by me they honour God and man, and go to be promoted over

the trees? 9:10 And the trees said to the fig tree, Come thou, and

reign over us.

9:11 But the fig tree said unto them, Should I forsake my sweetness,

and my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees? 9:12 Then

said the trees unto the vine, Come thou, and reign over us.

9:13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which

cheereth God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees? 9:14 Then

said all the trees unto the bramble, Come thou, and reign over us.

9:15 And the bramble said unto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me

king over you, then come and put your trust in my shadow: and if not,

let fire come out of the bramble, and devour the cedars of Lebanon.

9:16 Now therefore, if ye have done truly and sincerely, in that ye

have made Abimelech king, and if ye have dealt well with Jerubbaal and

his house, and have done unto him according to the deserving of his

hands; 9:17 (For my father fought for you, and adventured his life

far, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian: 9:18 And ye are

risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons,

threescore and ten persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech,

the son of his maidservant, king over the men of Shechem, because he

is your brother;) 9:19 If ye then have dealt truly and sincerely with

Jerubbaal and with his house this day, then rejoice ye in Abimelech,

and let him also rejoice in you: 9:20 But if not, let fire come out

from Abimelech, and devour the men of Shechem, and the house of Millo;

and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of

Millo, and devour Abimelech.

9:21 And Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there,

for fear of Abimelech his brother.

9:22 When Abimelech had reigned three years over Israel, 9:23 Then God

sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem; and the

men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech: 9:24 That the

cruelty done to the threescore and ten sons of Jerubbaal might come,

and their blood be laid upon Abimelech their brother, which slew them;

and upon the men of Shechem, which aided him in the killing of his

brethren.

9:25 And the men of Shechem set liers in wait for him in the top of

the mountains, and they robbed all that came along that way by them:

and it was told Abimelech.

9:26 And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went over to

Shechem: and the men of Shechem put their confidence in him.

9:27 And they went out into the fields, and gathered their vineyards,

and trode the grapes, and made merry, and went into the house of their

god, and did eat and drink, and cursed Abimelech.

9:28 And Gaal the son of Ebed said, Who is Abimelech, and who is

Shechem, that we should serve him? is not he the son of Jerubbaal? and

Zebul his officer? serve the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for

why should we serve him? 9:29 And would to God this people were under

my hand! then would I remove Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech,

Increase thine army, and come out.

9:30 And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the

son of Ebed, his anger was kindled.

9:31 And he sent messengers unto Abimelech privily, saying, Behold,

Gaal the son of Ebed and his brethren be come to Shechem; and, behold,

they fortify the city against thee.

9:32 Now therefore up by night, thou and the people that is with thee,

and lie in wait in the field: 9:33 And it shall be, that in the

morning, as soon as the sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and set upon

the city: and, behold, when he and the people that is with him come

out against thee, then mayest thou do to them as thou shalt find

occasion.

9:34 And Abimelech rose up, and all the people that were with him, by

night, and they laid wait against Shechem in four companies.

9:35 And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entering of

the gate of the city: and Abimelech rose up, and the people that were

with him, from lying in wait.

9:36 And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold, there

come people down from the top of the mountains. And Zebul said unto

him, Thou seest the shadow of the mountains as if they were men.

9:37 And Gaal spake again, and said, See there come people down by the

middle of the land, and another company come along by the plain of

Meonenim.

9:38 Then said Zebul unto him, Where is now thy mouth, wherewith thou

saidst, Who is Abimelech, that we should serve him? is not this the

people that thou hast despised? go out, I pray now, and fight with

them.

9:39 And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with

Abimelech.

9:40 And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and many were

overthrown and wounded, even unto the entering of the gate.

9:41 And Abimelech dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal and his

brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem.

9:42 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into

the field; and they told Abimelech.

9:43 And he took the people, and divided them into three companies,

and laid wait in the field, and looked, and, behold, the people were

come forth out of the city; and he rose up against them, and smote

them.

9:44 And Abimelech, and the company that was with him, rushed forward,

and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and the two other

companies ran upon all the people that were in the fields, and slew

them.

9:45 And Abimelech fought against the city all that day; and he took

the city, and slew the people that was therein, and beat down the

city, and sowed it with salt.

9:46 And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard that, they

entered into an hold of the house of the god Berith.

9:47 And it was told Abimelech, that all the men of the tower of

Shechem were gathered together.

9:48 And Abimelech gat him up to mount Zalmon, he and all the people

that were with him; and Abimelech took an axe in his hand, and cut

down a bough from the trees, and took it, and laid it on his shoulder,

and said unto the people that were with him, What ye have seen me do,

make haste, and do as I have done.

9:49 And all the people likewise cut down every man his bough, and

followed Abimelech, and put them to the hold, and set the hold on fire

upon them; so that all the men of the tower of Shechem died also,

about a thousand men and women.

9:50 Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and

took it.

9:51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled

all the men and women, and all they of the city, and shut it to them,

and gat them up to the top of the tower.

9:52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and

went hard unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire.

9:53 And a certain woman cast a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's

head, and all to brake his skull.

9:54 Then he called hastily unto the young man his armourbearer, and

said unto him, Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, A

women slew him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died.

9:55 And when the men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they

departed every man unto his place.

9:56 Thus God rendered the wickedness of Abimelech, which he did unto

his father, in slaying his seventy brethren: 9:57 And all the evil of

the men of Shechem did God render upon their heads: and upon them came

the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal.

10:1 And after Abimelech there arose to defend Israel Tola the son of

Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in

mount Ephraim.

10:2 And he judged Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was

buried in Shamir.

10:3 And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and judged Israel twenty

and two years.

10:4 And he had thirty sons that rode on thirty ass colts, and they

had thirty cities, which are called Havothjair unto this day, which

are in the land of Gilead.

10:5 And Jair died, and was buried in Camon.

10:6 And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the

LORD, and served Baalim, and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the

gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of

Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines, and forsook the LORD, and

served not him.

10:7 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold

them into the hands of the Philistines, and into the hands of the

children of Ammon.

10:8 And that year they vexed and oppressed the children of Israel:

eighteen years, all the children of Israel that were on the other side

Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead.

10:9 Moreover the children of Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also

against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim;

so that Israel was sore distressed.

10:10 And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, saying, We have

sinned against thee, both because we have forsaken our God, and also

served Baalim.

10:11 And the LORD said unto the children of Israel, Did not I deliver

you from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the children of

Ammon, and from the Philistines? 10:12 The Zidonians also, and the

Amalekites, and the Maonites, did oppress you; and ye cried to me, and

I delivered you out of their hand.

10:13 Yet ye have forsaken me, and served other gods: wherefore I will

deliver you no more.

10:14 Go and cry unto the gods which ye have chosen; let them deliver

you in the time of your tribulation.

10:15 And the children of Israel said unto the LORD, We have sinned:

do thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only, we

pray thee, this day.

10:16 And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served

the LORD: and his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.

10:17 Then the children of Ammon were gathered together, and encamped

in Gilead. And the children of Israel assembled themselves together,

and encamped in Mizpeh.

10:18 And the people and princes of Gilead said one to another, What

man is he that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he

shall be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.

11:1 Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valour, and he was

the son of an harlot: and Gilead begat Jephthah.

11:2 And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and his wife's sons grew up, and

they thrust out Jephthah, and said unto him, Thou shalt not inherit in

our father's house; for thou art the son of a strange woman.

11:3 Then Jephthah fled from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of

Tob: and there were gathered vain men to Jephthah, and went out with

him.

11:4 And it came to pass in process of time, that the children of

Ammon made war against Israel.

11:5 And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against

Israel, the elders of Gilead went to fetch Jephthah out of the land of

Tob: 11:6 And they said unto Jephthah, Come, and be our captain, that

we may fight with the children of Ammon.

11:7 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, Did not ye hate me,

and expel me out of my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now

when ye are in distress? 11:8 And the elders of Gilead said unto

Jephthah, Therefore we turn again to thee now, that thou mayest go

with us, and fight against the children of Ammon, and be our head over

all the inhabitants of Gilead.

11:9 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, If ye bring me home

again to fight against the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliver

them before me, shall I be your head? 11:10 And the elders of Gilead

said unto Jephthah, The LORD be witness between us, if we do not so

according to thy words.

11:11 Then Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people

made him head and captain over them: and Jephthah uttered all his

words before the LORD in Mizpeh.

11:12 And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the children of

Ammon, saying, What hast thou to do with me, that thou art come

against me to fight in my land? 11:13 And the king of the children of

Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah, Because Israel took

away my land, when they came up out of Egypt, from Arnon even unto

Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those lands again

peaceably.

11:14 And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the children

of Ammon: 11:15 And said unto him, Thus saith Jephthah, Israel took

not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon:

11:16 But when Israel came up from Egypt, and walked through the

wilderness unto the Red sea, and came to Kadesh; 11:17 Then Israel

sent messengers unto the king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee,

pass through thy land: but the king of Edom would not hearken thereto.

And in like manner they sent unto the king of Moab: but he would not

consent: and Israel abode in Kadesh.

11:18 Then they went along through the wilderness, and compassed the

land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the

land of Moab, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, but came not

within the border of Moab: for Arnon was the border of Moab.

11:19 And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, the

king of Heshbon; and Israel said unto him, Let us pass, we pray thee,

through thy land into my place.

11:20 But Sihon trusted not Israel to pass through his coast: but

Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz, and

fought against Israel.

11:21 And the LORD God of Israel delivered Sihon and all his people

into the hand of Israel, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all

the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country.

11:22 And they possessed all the coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon

even unto Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto Jordan.

11:23 So now the LORD God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites

from before his people Israel, and shouldest thou possess it? 11:24

Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to

possess? So whomsoever the LORD our God shall drive out from before

us, them will we possess.

11:25 And now art thou any thing better than Balak the son of Zippor,

king of Moab? did he ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight

against them, 11:26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns, and

in Aroer and her towns, and in all the cities that be along by the

coasts of Arnon, three hundred years? why therefore did ye not recover

them within that time? 11:27 Wherefore I have not sinned against

thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against me: the LORD the Judge be

judge this day between the children of Israel and the children of

Ammon.

11:28 Howbeit the king of the children of Ammon hearkened not unto the

words of Jephthah which he sent him.

11:29 Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed

over Gilead, and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from

Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over unto the children of Ammon.

11:30 And Jephthah vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou shalt

without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands, 11:31 Then

it shall be, that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to

meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall

surely be the LORD's, and I will offer it up for a burnt offering.

11:32 So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight

against them; and the LORD delivered them into his hands.

11:33 And he smote them from Aroer, even till thou come to Minnith,

even twenty cities, and unto the plain of the vineyards, with a very

great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon were subdued before the

children of Israel.

11:34 And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold, his

daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she

was his only child; beside her he had neither son nor daughter.

11:35 And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he rent his clothes,

and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou

art one of them that trouble me: for I have opened my mouth unto the

LORD, and I cannot go back.

11:36 And she said unto him, My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth

unto the LORD, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of

thy mouth; forasmuch as the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of

thine enemies, even of the children of Ammon.

11:37 And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let

me alone two months, that I may go up and down upon the mountains, and

bewail my virginity, I and my fellows.

11:38 And he said, Go. And he sent her away for two months: and she

went with her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the

mountains.

11:39 And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned

unto her father, who did with her according to his vow which he had

vowed: and she knew no man. And it was a custom in Israel, 11:40 That

the daughters of Israel went yearly to lament the daughter of Jephthah

the Gileadite four days in a year.

12:1 And the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and went

northward, and said unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to

fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with

thee? we will burn thine house upon thee with fire.

12:2 And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife

with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not

out of their hands.

12:3 And when I saw that ye delivered me not, I put my life in my

hands, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and the LORD

delivered them into my hand: wherefore then are ye come up unto me

this day, to fight against me? 12:4 Then Jephthah gathered together

all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead

smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites are fugitives of

Ephraim among the Ephraimites, and among the Manassites.

12:5 And the Gileadites took the passages of Jordan before the

Ephraimites: and it was so, that when those Ephraimites which were

escaped said, Let me go over; that the men of Gilead said unto him,

Art thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay; 12:6 Then said they unto him,

Say now Shibboleth: and he said Sibboleth: for he could not frame to

pronounce it right. Then they took him, and slew him at the passages

of Jordan: and there fell at that time of the Ephraimites forty and

two thousand.

12:7 And Jephthah judged Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the

Gileadite, and was buried in one of the cities of Gilead.

12:8 And after him Ibzan of Bethlehem judged Israel.

12:9 And he had thirty sons, and thirty daughters, whom he sent

abroad, and took in thirty daughters from abroad for his sons. And he

judged Israel seven years.

12:10 Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Bethlehem.

12:11 And after him Elon, a Zebulonite, judged Israel; and he judged

Israel ten years.

12:12 And Elon the Zebulonite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the

country of Zebulun.

12:13 And after him Abdon the son of Hillel, a Pirathonite, judged

Israel.

12:14 And he had forty sons and thirty nephews, that rode on

threescore and ten ass colts: and he judged Israel eight years.

12:15 And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried

in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the mount of the Amalekites.

13:1 And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the

LORD; and the LORD delivered them into the hand of the Philistines

forty years.

13:2 And there was a certain man of Zorah, of the family of the

Danites, whose name was Manoah; and his wife was barren, and bare not.

13:3 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto

her, Behold now, thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt

conceive, and bear a son.

13:4 Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and drink not wine nor strong

drink, and eat not any unclean thing: 13:5 For, lo, thou shalt

conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for the

child shall be a Nazarite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin

to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.

13:6 Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, A man of God

came unto me, and his countenance was like the countenance of an angel

of God, very terrible: but I asked him not whence he was, neither told

he me his name: 13:7 But he said unto me, Behold, thou shalt conceive,

and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat

any unclean thing: for the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the

womb to the day of his death.

13:8 Then Manoah intreated the LORD, and said, O my Lord, let the man

of God which thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we

shall do unto the child that shall be born.

13:9 And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the angel of God

came again unto the woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her

husband was not with her.

13:10 And the woman made haste, and ran, and shewed her husband, and

said unto him, Behold, the man hath appeared unto me, that came unto

me the other day.

13:11 And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man,

and said unto him, Art thou the man that spakest unto the woman? And

he said, I am.

13:12 And Manoah said, Now let thy words come to pass. How shall we

order the child, and how shall we do unto him? 13:13 And the angel of

the LORD said unto Manoah, Of all that I said unto the woman let her

beware.

13:14 She may not eat of any thing that cometh of the vine, neither

let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean thing: all

that I commanded her let her observe.

13:15 And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, I pray thee, let us

detain thee, until we shall have made ready a kid for thee.

13:16 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Though thou detain

me, I will not eat of thy bread: and if thou wilt offer a burnt

offering, thou must offer it unto the LORD. For Manoah knew not that

he was an angel of the LORD.

13:17 And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, What is thy name,

that when thy sayings come to pass we may do thee honour? 13:18 And

the angel of the LORD said unto him, Why askest thou thus after my

name, seeing it is secret? 13:19 So Manoah took a kid with a meat

offering, and offered it upon a rock unto the LORD: and the angel did

wonderously; and Manoah and his wife looked on.

13:20 For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from

off the altar, that the angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the

altar. And Manoah and his wife looked on it, and fell on their faces

to the ground.

13:21 But the angel of the LORD did no more appear to Manoah and to

his wife. Then Manoah knew that he was an angel of the LORD.

13:22 And Manoah said unto his wife, We shall surely die, because we

have seen God.

13:23 But his wife said unto him, If the LORD were pleased to kill us,

he would not have received a burnt offering and a meat offering at our

hands, neither would he have shewed us all these things, nor would as

at this time have told us such things as these.

13:24 And the woman bare a son, and called his name Samson: and the

child grew, and the LORD blessed him.

13:25 And the Spirit of the LORD began to move him at times in the

camp of Dan between Zorah and Eshtaol.

14:1 And Samson went down to Timnath, and saw a woman in Timnath of

the daughters of the Philistines.

14:2 And he came up, and told his father and his mother, and said, I

have seen a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines: now

therefore get her for me to wife.

14:3 Then his father and his mother said unto him, Is there never a

woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people,

that thou goest to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines? And

Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for she pleaseth me well.

14:4 But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the LORD,

that he sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time

the Philistines had dominion over Israel.

14:5 Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnath,

and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and, behold, a young lion roared

against him.

14:6 And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent

him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but

he told not his father or his mother what he had done.

14:7 And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased

Samson well.

14:8 And after a time he returned to take her, and he turned aside to

see the carcase of the lion: and, behold, there was a swarm of bees

and honey in the carcase of the lion.

14:9 And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to

his father and mother, and he gave them, and they did eat: but he told

not them that he had taken the honey out of the carcase of the lion.

14:10 So his father went down unto the woman: and Samson made there a

feast; for so used the young men to do.

14:11 And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought thirty

companions to be with him.

14:12 And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto

you: if ye can certainly declare it me within the seven days of the

feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty sheets and thirty

change of garments: 14:13 But if ye cannot declare it me, then shall

ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of garments. And they said

unto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it.

14:14 And he said unto them, Out of the eater came forth meat, and out

of the strong came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days

expound the riddle.

14:15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto

Samson's wife, Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the

riddle, lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye

called us to take that we have? is it not so? 14:16 And Samson's wife

wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not:

thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast

not told it me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told it my

father nor my mother, and shall I tell it thee? 14:17 And she wept

before him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to

pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she lay sore upon

him: and she told the riddle to the children of her people.

14:18 And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before

the sun went down, What is sweeter than honey? And what is stronger

than a lion? and he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my

heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

14:19 And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to

Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their spoil, and gave

change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle. And his anger

was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.

14:20 But Samson's wife was given to his companion, whom he had used

as his friend.

15:1 But it came to pass within a while after, in the time of wheat

harvest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid; and he said, I will

go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him

to go in.

15:2 And her father said, I verily thought that thou hadst utterly

hated her; therefore I gave her to thy companion: is not her younger

sister fairer than she? take her, I pray thee, instead of her.

15:3 And Samson said concerning them, Now shall I be more blameless

than the Philistines, though I do them a displeasure.

15:4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and took

firebrands, and turned tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst

between two tails.

15:5 And when he had set the brands on fire, he let them go into the

standing corn of the Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks, and

also the standing corn, with the vineyards and olives.

15:6 Then the Philistines said, Who hath done this? And they answered,

Samson, the son in law of the Timnite, because he had taken his wife,

and given her to his companion. And the Philistines came up, and burnt

her and her father with fire.

15:7 And Samson said unto them, Though ye have done this, yet will I

be avenged of you, and after that I will cease.

15:8 And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter: and he

went down and dwelt in the top of the rock Etam.

15:9 Then the Philistines went up, and pitched in Judah, and spread

themselves in Lehi.

15:10 And the men of Judah said, Why are ye come up against us? And

they answered, To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he hath

done to us.

15:11 Then three thousand men of Judah went to the top of the rock

Etam, and said to Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistines are

rulers over us? what is this that thou hast done unto us? And he said

unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done unto them.

15:12 And they said unto him, We are come down to bind thee, that we

may deliver thee into the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said

unto them, Swear unto me, that ye will not fall upon me yourselves.

15:13 And they spake unto him, saying, No; but we will bind thee fast,

and deliver thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee.

And they bound him with two new cords, and brought him up from the

rock.

15:14 And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him:

and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that

were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his

bands loosed from off his hands.

15:15 And he found a new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand,

and took it, and slew a thousand men therewith.

15:16 And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps,

with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men.

15:17 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that

he cast away the jawbone out of his hand, and called that place

Ramathlehi.

15:18 And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said, Thou

hast given this great deliverance into the hand of thy servant: and

now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the

uncircumcised? 15:19 But God clave an hollow place that was in the

jaw, and there came water thereout; and when he had drunk, his spirit

came again, and he revived: wherefore he called the name thereof

Enhakkore, which is in Lehi unto this day.

15:20 And he judged Israel in the days of the Philistines twenty

years.

16:1 Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in

unto her.

16:2 And it was told the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And

they compassed him in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of

the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when

it is day, we shall kill him.

16:3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the

doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with

them, bar and all, and put them upon his shoulders, and carried them

up to the top of an hill that is before Hebron.

16:4 And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the

valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.

16:5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto

her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what

means we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to afflict him;

and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred pieces of silver.

16:6 And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy

great strength lieth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict

thee.

16:7 And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withs

that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.

16:8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green

withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them.

16:9 Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the

chamber.

And she said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he

brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the

fire. So his strength was not known.

16:10 And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and

told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be

bound.

16:11 And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that

never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.

16:12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and

said unto him, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And there were

liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his

arms like a thread.

16:13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and

told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said

unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.

16:14 And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The

Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and

went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.

16:15 And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when

thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and

hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth.

16:16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words,

and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death; 16:17 That he

told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor

upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's

womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall

become weak, and be like any other man.

16:18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she

sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this

once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the

Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.

16:19 And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man,

and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she

began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

16:20 And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke

out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before,

and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

16:21 But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought

him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did

grind in the prison house.

16:22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was

shaven.

16:23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to

offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they

said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand.

16:24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they

said, Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the

destroyer of our country, which slew many of us.

16:25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they

said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for

Samson out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set

him between the pillars.

16:26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer

me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I

may lean upon them.

16:27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of

the Philistines were there; and there were upon the roof about three

thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.

16:28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord God, remember

me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O

God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.

16:29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the

house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right

hand, and of the other with his left.

16:30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed

himself with all his might; and the house fell upon the lords, and

upon all the people that were therein. So the dead which he slew at

his death were more than they which he slew in his life.

16:31 Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and

took him, and brought him up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol

in the buryingplace of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty

years.

17:1 And there was a man of mount Ephraim, whose name was Micah.

17:2 And he said unto his mother, The eleven hundred shekels of silver

that were taken from thee, about which thou cursedst, and spakest of

also in mine ears, behold, the silver is with me; I took it. And his

mother said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my son.

17:3 And when he had restored the eleven hundred shekels of silver to

his mother, his mother said, I had wholly dedicated the silver unto

the LORD from my hand for my son, to make a graven image and a molten

image: now therefore I will restore it unto thee.

17:4 Yet he restored the money unto his mother; and his mother took

two hundred shekels of silver, and gave them to the founder, who made

thereof a graven image and a molten image: and they were in the house

of Micah.

17:5 And the man Micah had an house of gods, and made an ephod, and

teraphim, and consecrated one of his sons, who became his priest.

17:6 In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that

which was right in his own eyes.

17:7 And there was a young man out of Bethlehemjudah of the family of

Judah, who was a Levite, and he sojourned there.

17:8 And the man departed out of the city from Bethlehemjudah to

sojourn where he could find a place: and he came to mount Ephraim to

the house of Micah, as he journeyed.

17:9 And Micah said unto him, Whence comest thou? And he said unto

him, I am a Levite of Bethlehemjudah, and I go to sojourn where I may

find a place.

17:10 And Micah said unto him, Dwell with me, and be unto me a father

and a priest, and I will give thee ten shekels of silver by the year,

and a suit of apparel, and thy victuals. So the Levite went in.

17:11 And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young

man was unto him as one of his sons.

17:12 And Micah consecrated the Levite; and the young man became his

priest, and was in the house of Micah.

17:13 Then said Micah, Now know I that the LORD will do me good,

seeing I have a Levite to my priest.

18:1 In those days there was no king in Israel: and in those days the

tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto

that day all their inheritance had not fallen unto them among the

tribes of Israel.

18:2 And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their

coasts, men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy out the

land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land:

who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they

lodged there.

18:3 When they were by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the

young man the Levite: and they turned in thither, and said unto him,

Who brought thee hither? and what makest thou in this place? and what

hast thou here? 18:4 And he said unto them, Thus and thus dealeth

Micah with me, and hath hired me, and I am his priest.

18:5 And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray thee, of God, that

we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous.

18:6 And the priest said unto them, Go in peace: before the LORD is

your way wherein ye go.

18:7 Then the five men departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people

that were therein, how they dwelt careless, after the manner of the

Zidonians, quiet and secure; and there was no magistrate in the land,

that might put them to shame in any thing; and they were far from the

Zidonians, and had no business with any man.

18:8 And they came unto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their

brethren said unto them, What say ye? 18:9 And they said, Arise, that

we may go up against them: for we have seen the land, and, behold, it

is very good: and are ye still? be not slothful to go, and to enter to

possess the land.

18:10 When ye go, ye shall come unto a people secure, and to a large

land: for God hath given it into your hands; a place where there is no

want of any thing that is in the earth.

18:11 And there went from thence of the family of the Danites, out of

Zorah and out of Eshtaol, six hundred men appointed with weapons of

war.

18:12 And they went up, and pitched in Kirjathjearim, in Judah:

wherefore they called that place Mahanehdan unto this day: behold, it

is behind Kirjathjearim.

18:13 And they passed thence unto mount Ephraim, and came unto the

house of Micah.

18:14 Then answered the five men that went to spy out the country of

Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these

houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image?

now therefore consider what ye have to do.

18:15 And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of the young

man the Levite, even unto the house of Micah, and saluted him.

18:16 And the six hundred men appointed with their weapons of war,

which were of the children of Dan, stood by the entering of the gate.

18:17 And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, and came

in thither, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the

teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering

of the gate with the six hundred men that were appointed with weapons

of war.

18:18 And these went into Micah's house, and fetched the carved image,

the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image. Then said the

priest unto them, What do ye? 18:19 And they said unto him, Hold thy

peace, lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, and be to us a

father and a priest: is it better for thee to be a priest unto the

house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family

in Israel? 18:20 And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the

ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst

of the people.

18:21 So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the

cattle and the carriage before them.

18:22 And when they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men

that were in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together,

and overtook the children of Dan.

18:23 And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their

faces, and said unto Micah, What aileth thee, that thou comest with

such a company? 18:24 And he said, Ye have taken away my gods which I

made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and

what is this that ye say unto me, What aileth thee? 18:25 And the

children of Dan said unto him, Let not thy voice be heard among us,

lest angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the

lives of thy household.

18:26 And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that

they were too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house.

18:27 And they took the things which Micah had made, and the priest

which he had, and came unto Laish, unto a people that were at quiet

and secure: and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt

the city with fire.

18:28 And there was no deliverer, because it was far from Zidon, and

they had no business with any man; and it was in the valley that lieth

by Bethrehob. And they built a city, and dwelt therein.

18:29 And they called the name of the city Dan, after the name of Dan

their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city

was Laish at the first.

18:30 And the children of Dan set up the graven image: and Jonathan,

the son of Gershom, the son of Manasseh, he and his sons were priests

to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.

18:31 And they set them up Micah's graven image, which he made, all

the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

19:1 And it came to pass in those days, when there was no king in

Israel, that there was a certain Levite sojourning on the side of

mount Ephraim, who took to him a concubine out of Bethlehemjudah.

19:2 And his concubine played the whore against him, and went away

from him unto her father's house to Bethlehemjudah, and was there four

whole months.

19:3 And her husband arose, and went after her, to speak friendly unto

her, and to bring her again, having his servant with him, and a couple

of asses: and she brought him into her father's house: and when the

father of the damsel saw him, he rejoiced to meet him.

19:4 And his father in law, the damsel's father, retained him; and he

abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged

there.

19:5 And it came to pass on the fourth day, when they arose early in

the morning, that he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said

unto his son in law, Comfort thine heart with a morsel of bread, and

afterward go your way.

19:6 And they sat down, and did eat and drink both of them together:

for the damsel's father had said unto the man, Be content, I pray

thee, and tarry all night, and let thine heart be merry.

19:7 And when the man rose up to depart, his father in law urged him:

therefore he lodged there again.

19:8 And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart; and

the damsel's father said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee. And they

tarried until afternoon, and they did eat both of them.

19:9 And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and

his servant, his father in law, the damsel's father, said unto him,

Behold, now the day draweth toward evening, I pray you tarry all

night: behold, the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart

may be merry; and to morrow get you early on your way, that thou

mayest go home.

19:10 But the man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and

departed, and came over against Jebus, which is Jerusalem; and there

were with him two asses saddled, his concubine also was with him.

19:11 And when they were by Jebus, the day was far spent; and the

servant said unto his master, Come, I pray thee, and let us turn in

into this city of the Jebusites, and lodge in it.

19:12 And his master said unto him, We will not turn aside hither into

the city of a stranger, that is not of the children of Israel; we will

pass over to Gibeah.

19:13 And he said unto his servant, Come, and let us draw near to one

of these places to lodge all night, in Gibeah, or in Ramah.

19:14 And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down

upon them when they were by Gibeah, which belongeth to Benjamin.

19:15 And they turned aside thither, to go in and to lodge in Gibeah:

and when he went in, he sat him down in a street of the city: for

there was no man that took them into his house to lodging.

19:16 And, behold, there came an old man from his work out of the

field at even, which was also of mount Ephraim; and he sojourned in

Gibeah: but the men of the place were Benjamites.

19:17 And when he had lifted up his eyes, he saw a wayfaring man in

the street of the city: and the old man said, Whither goest thou? and

whence comest thou? 19:18 And he said unto him, We are passing from

Bethlehemjudah toward the side of mount Ephraim; from thence am I: and

I went to Bethlehemjudah, but I am now going to the house of the LORD;

and there is no man that receiveth me to house.

19:19 Yet there is both straw and provender for our asses; and there

is bread and wine also for me, and for thy handmaid, and for the young

man which is with thy servants: there is no want of any thing.

19:20 And the old man said, Peace be with thee; howsoever let all thy

wants lie upon me; only lodge not in the street.

19:21 So he brought him into his house, and gave provender unto the

asses: and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink.

19:22 Now as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of

the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about, and

beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man,

saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may

know him.

19:23 And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and

said unto them, Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, do not so wickedly;

seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly.

19:24 Behold, here is my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I

will bring out now, and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth

good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing.

19:25 But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his

concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and

abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to

spring, they let her go.

19:26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at

the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light.

19:27 And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the

house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his

concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, and her hands were

upon the threshold.

19:28 And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going. But none

answered.

Then the man took her up upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him

unto his place.

19:29 And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid

hold on his concubine, and divided her, together with her bones, into

twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.

19:30 And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed

done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of

the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of it, take advice, and

speak your minds.

20:1 Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation

was gathered together as one man, from Dan even to Beersheba, with the

land of Gilead, unto the LORD in Mizpeh.

20:2 And the chief of all the people, even of all the tribes of

Israel, presented themselves in the assembly of the people of God,

four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword.

20:3 (Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel

were gone up to Mizpeh.) Then said the children of Israel, Tell us,

how was this wickedness? 20:4 And the Levite, the husband of the

woman that was slain, answered and said, I came into Gibeah that

belongeth to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge.

20:5 And the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round

about upon me by night, and thought to have slain me: and my concubine

have they forced, that she is dead.

20:6 And I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her

throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they have

committed lewdness and folly in Israel.

20:7 Behold, ye are all children of Israel; give here your advice and

counsel.

20:8 And all the people arose as one man, saying, We will not any of

us go to his tent, neither will we any of us turn into his house.

20:9 But now this shall be the thing which we will do to Gibeah; we

will go up by lot against it; 20:10 And we will take ten men of an

hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a

thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the

people, that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin,

according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel.

20:11 So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, knit

together as one man.

20:12 And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of

Benjamin, saying, What wickedness is this that is done among you?

20:13 Now therefore deliver us the men, the children of Belial, which

are in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away evil from

Israel. But the children of Benjamin would not hearken to the voice of

their brethren the children of Israel.

20:14 But the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together out of

the cities unto Gibeah, to go out to battle against the children of

Israel.

20:15 And the children of Benjamin were numbered at that time out of

the cities twenty and six thousand men that drew sword, beside the

inhabitants of Gibeah, which were numbered seven hundred chosen men.

20:16 Among all this people there were seven hundred chosen men

lefthanded; every one could sling stones at an hair breadth, and not

miss.

20:17 And the men of Israel, beside Benjamin, were numbered four

hundred thousand men that drew sword: all these were men of war.

20:18 And the children of Israel arose, and went up to the house of

God, and asked counsel of God, and said, Which of us shall go up first

to the battle against the children of Benjamin? And the LORD said,

Judah shall go up first.

20:19 And the children of Israel rose up in the morning, and encamped

against Gibeah.

20:20 And the men of Israel went out to battle against Benjamin; and

the men of Israel put themselves in array to fight against them at

Gibeah.

20:21 And the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and

destroyed down to the ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two

thousand men.

20:22 And the people the men of Israel encouraged themselves, and set

their battle again in array in the place where they put themselves in

array the first day.

20:23 (And the children of Israel went up and wept before the LORD

until even, and asked counsel of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up again

to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother? And the LORD

said, Go up against him.) 20:24 And the children of Israel came near

against the children of Benjamin the second day.

20:25 And Benjamin went forth against them out of Gibeah the second

day, and destroyed down to the ground of the children of Israel again

eighteen thousand men; all these drew the sword.

20:26 Then all the children of Israel, and all the people, went up,

and came unto the house of God, and wept, and sat there before the

LORD, and fasted that day until even, and offered burnt offerings and

peace offerings before the LORD.

20:27 And the children of Israel enquired of the LORD, (for the ark of

the covenant of God was there in those days, 20:28 And Phinehas, the

son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, stood before it in those days,)

saying, Shall I yet again go out to battle against the children of

Benjamin my brother, or shall I cease? And the LORD said, Go up; for

to morrow I will deliver them into thine hand.

20:29 And Israel set liers in wait round about Gibeah.

20:30 And the children of Israel went up against the children of

Benjamin on the third day, and put themselves in array against Gibeah,

as at other times.

20:31 And the children of Benjamin went out against the people, and

were drawn away from the city; and they began to smite of the people,

and kill, as at other times, in the highways, of which one goeth up to

the house of God, and the other to Gibeah in the field, about thirty

men of Israel.

20:32 And the children of Benjamin said, They are smitten down before

us, as at the first. But the children of Israel said, Let us flee, and

draw them from the city unto the highways.

20:33 And all the men of Israel rose up out of their place, and put

themselves in array at Baaltamar: and the liers in wait of Israel came

forth out of their places, even out of the meadows of Gibeah.

20:34 And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all

Israel, and the battle was sore: but they knew not that evil was near

them.

20:35 And the LORD smote Benjamin before Israel: and the children of

Israel destroyed of the Benjamites that day twenty and five thousand

and an hundred men: all these drew the sword.

20:36 So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten: for the

men of Israel gave place to the Benjamites, because they trusted unto

the liers in wait which they had set beside Gibeah.

20:37 And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the

liers in wait drew themselves along, and smote all the city with the

edge of the sword.

20:38 Now there was an appointed sign between the men of Israel and

the liers in wait, that they should make a great flame with smoke rise

up out of the city.

20:39 And when the men of Israel retired in the battle, Benjamin began

to smite and kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons: for they

said, Surely they are smitten down before us, as in the first battle.

20:40 But when the flame began to arise up out of the city with a

pillar of smoke, the Benjamites looked behind them, and, behold, the

flame of the city ascended up to heaven.

20:41 And when the men of Israel turned again, the men of Benjamin

were amazed: for they saw that evil was come upon them.

20:42 Therefore they turned their backs before the men of Israel unto

the way of the wilderness; but the battle overtook them; and them

which came out of the cities they destroyed in the midst of them.

20:43 Thus they inclosed the Benjamites round about, and chased them,

and trode them down with ease over against Gibeah toward the

sunrising.

20:44 And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these were

men of valour.

20:45 And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of

Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men;

and pursued hard after them unto Gidom, and slew two thousand men of

them.

20:46 So that all which fell that day of Benjamin were twenty and five

thousand men that drew the sword; all these were men of valour.

20:47 But six hundred men turned and fled to the wilderness unto the

rock Rimmon, and abode in the rock Rimmon four months.

20:48 And the men of Israel turned again upon the children of

Benjamin, and smote them with the edge of the sword, as well the men

of every city, as the beast, and all that came to hand: also they set

on fire all the cities that they came to.

21:1 Now the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpeh, saying, There shall

not any of us give his daughter unto Benjamin to wife.

21:2 And the people came to the house of God, and abode there till

even before God, and lifted up their voices, and wept sore; 21:3 And

said, O LORD God of Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that

there should be to day one tribe lacking in Israel? 21:4 And it came

to pass on the morrow, that the people rose early, and built there an

altar, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings.

21:5 And the children of Israel said, Who is there among all the

tribes of Israel that came not up with the congregation unto the LORD?

For they had made a great oath concerning him that came not up to the

LORD to Mizpeh, saying, He shall surely be put to death.

21:6 And the children of Israel repented them for Benjamin their

brother, and said, There is one tribe cut off from Israel this day.

21:7 How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing we have

sworn by the LORD that we will not give them of our daughters to

wives? 21:8 And they said, What one is there of the tribes of Israel

that came not up to Mizpeh to the LORD? And, behold, there came none

to the camp from Jabeshgilead to the assembly.

21:9 For the people were numbered, and, behold, there were none of the

inhabitants of Jabeshgilead there.

21:10 And the congregation sent thither twelve thousand men of the

valiantest, and commanded them, saying, Go and smite the inhabitants

of Jabeshgilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the

children.

21:11 And this is the thing that ye shall do, Ye shall utterly destroy

every male, and every woman that hath lain by man.

21:12 And they found among the inhabitants of Jabeshgilead four

hundred young virgins, that had known no man by lying with any male:

and they brought them unto the camp to Shiloh, which is in the land of

Canaan.

21:13 And the whole congregation sent some to speak to the children of

Benjamin that were in the rock Rimmon, and to call peaceably unto

them.

21:14 And Benjamin came again at that time; and they gave them wives

which they had saved alive of the women of Jabeshgilead: and yet so

they sufficed them not.

21:15 And the people repented them for Benjamin, because that the LORD

had made a breach in the tribes of Israel.

21:16 Then the elders of the congregation said, How shall we do for

wives for them that remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of

Benjamin? 21:17 And they said, There must be an inheritance for them

that be escaped of Benjamin, that a tribe be not destroyed out of

Israel.

21:18 Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: for the

children of Israel have sworn, saying, Cursed be he that giveth a wife

to Benjamin.

21:19 Then they said, Behold, there is a feast of the LORD in Shiloh

yearly in a place which is on the north side of Bethel, on the east

side of the highway that goeth up from Bethel to Shechem, and on the

south of Lebonah.

21:20 Therefore they commanded the children of Benjamin, saying, Go

and lie in wait in the vineyards; 21:21 And see, and, behold, if the

daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come ye out of

the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of

Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.

21:22 And it shall be, when their fathers or their brethren come unto

us to complain, that we will say unto them, Be favourable unto them

for our sakes: because we reserved not to each man his wife in the

war: for ye did not give unto them at this time, that ye should be

guilty.

21:23 And the children of Benjamin did so, and took them wives,

according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and

they went and returned unto their inheritance, and repaired the

cities, and dwelt in them.

21:24 And the children of Israel departed thence at that time, every

man to his tribe and to his family, and they went out from thence

every man to his inheritance.

21:25 In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that

which was right in his own eyes.

The Book of Ruth

1:1 Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled, that there

was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Bethlehemjudah went to

sojourn in the country of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sons.

1:2 And the name of the man was Elimelech, and the name of his wife

Naomi, and the name of his two sons Mahlon and Chilion, Ephrathites of

Bethlehemjudah. And they came into the country of Moab, and continued

there.

1:3 And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two

sons.

1:4 And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one

was Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there

about ten years.

1:5 And Mahlon and Chilion died also both of them; and the woman was

left of her two sons and her husband.

1:6 Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return

from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how

that the LORD had visited his people in giving them bread.

1:7 Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her

two daughters in law with her; and they went on the way to return unto

the land of Judah.

1:8 And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law, Go, return each to

her mother's house: the LORD deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt

with the dead, and with me.

1:9 The LORD grant you that ye may find rest, each of you in the house

of her husband. Then she kissed them; and they lifted up their voice,

and wept.

1:10 And they said unto her, Surely we will return with thee unto thy

people.

1:11 And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will ye go with me?

are there yet any more sons in my womb, that they may be your

husbands? 1:12 Turn again, my daughters, go your way; for I am too

old to have an husband. If I should say, I have hope, if I should have

an husband also to night, and should also bear sons; 1:13 Would ye

tarry for them till they were grown? would ye stay for them from

having husbands? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your

sakes that the hand of the LORD is gone out against me.

1:14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed

her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.

1:15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her

people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law.

1:16 And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from

following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where

thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God

my God: 1:17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried:

the LORD do so to me, and more also, if ought but death part thee and

me.

1:18 When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, then

she left speaking unto her.

1:19 So they two went until they came to Bethlehem. And it came to

pass, when they were come to Bethlehem, that all the city was moved

about them, and they said, Is this Naomi? 1:20 And she said unto

them, Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt

very bitterly with me.

1:21 I went out full and the LORD hath brought me home again empty:

why then call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me,

and the Almighty hath afflicted me? 1:22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth

the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of

the country of Moab: and they came to Bethlehem in the beginning of

barley harvest.

2:1 And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth,

of the family of Elimelech; and his name was Boaz.

2:2 And Ruth the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the

field, and glean ears of corn after him in whose sight I shall find

grace.

And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.

2:3 And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the

reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging

unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.

2:4 And, behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said unto the reapers,

The LORD be with you. And they answered him, The LORD bless thee.

2:5 Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers,

Whose damsel is this? 2:6 And the servant that was set over the

reapers answered and said, It is the Moabitish damsel that came back

with Naomi out of the country of Moab: 2:7 And she said, I pray you,

let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves: so she

came, and hath continued even from the morning until now, that she

tarried a little in the house.

2:8 Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to

glean in another field, neither go from hence, but abide here fast by

my maidens: 2:9 Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and

go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall

not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and

drink of that which the young men have drawn.

2:10 Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and

said unto him, Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou

shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger? 2:11 And Boaz

answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that

thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine

husband: and how thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and the

land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest

not heretofore.

2:12 The LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of

the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.

2:13 Then she said, Let me find favour in thy sight, my lord; for that

thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken friendly unto

thine handmaid, though I be not like unto one of thine handmaidens.

2:14 And Boaz said unto her, At mealtime come thou hither, and eat of

the bread, and dip thy morsel in the vinegar. And she sat beside the

reapers: and he reached her parched corn, and she did eat, and was

sufficed, and left.

2:15 And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men,

saying, Let her glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not:

2:16 And let fall also some of the handfuls of purpose for her, and

leave them, that she may glean them, and rebuke her not.

2:17 So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had

gleaned: and it was about an ephah of barley.

2:18 And she took it up, and went into the city: and her mother in law

saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that

she had reserved after she was sufficed.

2:19 And her mother in law said unto her, Where hast thou gleaned to

day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did take knowledge

of thee. And she shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought,

and said, The man's name with whom I wrought to day is Boaz.

2:20 And Naomi said unto her daughter in law, Blessed be he of the

LORD, who hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the

dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man is near of kin unto us, one of

our next kinsmen.

2:21 And Ruth the Moabitess said, He said unto me also, Thou shalt

keep fast by my young men, until they have ended all my harvest.

2:22 And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, It is good, my

daughter, that thou go out with his maidens, that they meet thee not

in any other field.

2:23 So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of

barley harvest and of wheat harvest; and dwelt with her mother in law.

3:1 Then Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, shall I

not seek rest for thee, that it may be well with thee? 3:2 And now is

not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he

winnoweth barley to night in the threshingfloor.

3:3 Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon

thee, and get thee down to the floor: but make not thyself known unto

the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.

3:4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the

place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet,

and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.

3:5 And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.

3:6 And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that

her mother in law bade her.

3:7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he

went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly,

and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.

3:8 And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and

turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet.

3:9 And he said, Who art thou? And she answered, I am Ruth thine

handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou art

a near kinsman.

3:10 And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou

hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning,

inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.

3:11 And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou

requirest: for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a

virtuous woman.

3:12 And now it is true that I am thy near kinsman: howbeit there is a

kinsman nearer than I.

3:13 Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that if he will

perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the

kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee,

then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie

down until the morning.

3:14 And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before

one could know another. And he said, Let it not be known that a woman

came into the floor.

3:15 Also he said, Bring the vail that thou hast upon thee, and hold

it.

And when she held it, he measured six measures of barley, and laid it

on her: and she went into the city.

3:16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who art thou,

my daughter? And she told her all that the man had done to her.

3:17 And she said, These six measures of barley gave he me; for he

said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law.

3:18 Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the

matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have

finished the thing this day.

4:1 Then went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and,

behold, the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho,

such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat

down.

4:2 And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye

down here. And they sat down.

4:3 And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the

country of Moab, selleth a parcel of land, which was our brother

Elimelech's: 4:4 And I thought to advertise thee, saying, Buy it

before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my people. If thou

wilt redeem it, redeem it: but if thou wilt not redeem it, then tell

me, that I may know: for there is none to redeem it beside thee; and I

am after thee. And he said, I will redeem it.

4:5 Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of

Naomi, thou must buy it also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the

dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance.

4:6 And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I mar

mine own inheritance: redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot

redeem it.

4:7 Now this was the manner in former time in Israel concerning

redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man

plucked off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbour: and this was a

testimony in Israel.

4:8 Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy it for thee. So he drew

off his shoe.

4:9 And Boaz said unto the elders, and unto all the people, Ye are

witnesses this day, that I have bought all that was Elimelech's, and

all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.

4:10 Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I purchased

to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance,

that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and

from the gate of his place: ye are witnesses this day.

4:11 And all the people that were in the gate, and the elders, said,

We are witnesses. The LORD make the woman that is come into thine

house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of

Israel: and do thou worthily in Ephratah, and be famous in Bethlehem:

4:12 And let thy house be like the house of Pharez, whom Tamar bare

unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young

woman.

4:13 So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto

her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bare a son.

4:14 And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed be the LORD, which hath

not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous

in Israel.

4:15 And he shall be unto thee a restorer of thy life, and a nourisher

of thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is

better to thee than seven sons, hath born him.

4:16 And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became

nurse unto it.

4:17 And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a

son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he is the father of

Jesse, the father of David.

4:18 Now these are the generations of Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,

4:19 And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab, 4:20 And Amminadab

begat Nahshon, and Nahshon begat Salmon, 4:21 And Salmon begat Boaz,

and Boaz begat Obed, 4:22 And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.

The First Book of Samuel

Otherwise Called:

The First Book of the Kings

1:1 Now there was a certain man of Ramathaimzophim, of mount Ephraim,

and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the

son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite: 1:2 And he had two wives;

the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah:

and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

1:3 And this man went up out of his city yearly to worship and to

sacrifice unto the LORD of hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli,

Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of the LORD, were there.

1:4 And when the time was that Elkanah offered, he gave to Peninnah

his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions: 1:5 But

unto Hannah he gave a worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: but the

LORD had shut up her womb.

1:6 And her adversary also provoked her sore, for to make her fret,

because the LORD had shut up her womb.

1:7 And as he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of

the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.

1:8 Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest thou?

and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieved? am not I better

to thee than ten sons? 1:9 So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in

Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat

by a post of the temple of the LORD.

1:10 And she was in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and

wept sore.

1:11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt

indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and

not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man

child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life,

and there shall no razor come upon his head.

1:12 And it came to pass, as she continued praying before the LORD,

that Eli marked her mouth.

1:13 Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her

voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

1:14 And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away

thy wine from thee.

1:15 And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I am a woman of a

sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have

poured out my soul before the LORD.

1:16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the

abundance of my complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.

1:17 Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel

grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him.

1:18 And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the

woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more sad.

1:19 And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the

LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew

Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her.

1:20 Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after

Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel,

saying, Because I have asked him of the LORD.

1:21 And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the

LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.

1:22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, I will not

go up until the child be weaned, and then I will bring him, that he

may appear before the LORD, and there abide for ever.

1:23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good;

tarry until thou have weaned him; only the LORD establish his word. So

the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.

1:24 And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three

bullocks, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought

him unto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child was young.

1:25 And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.

1:26 And she said, Oh my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord, I am the

woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.

1:27 For this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition

which I asked of him: 1:28 Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD;

as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the LORD. And he worshipped

the LORD there.

2:1 And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine

horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies;

because I rejoice in thy salvation.

2:2 There is none holy as the LORD: for there is none beside thee:

neither is there any rock like our God.

2:3 Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of

your mouth: for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are

weighed.

2:4 The bows of the mighty men are broken, and they that stumbled are

girded with strength.

2:5 They that were full have hired out themselves for bread; and they

that were hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she

that hath many children is waxed feeble.

2:6 The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave,

and bringeth up.

2:7 The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and

lifteth up.

2:8 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar

from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit

the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and

he hath set the world upon them.

2:9 He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be

silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.

2:10 The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of

heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of

the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the

horn of his anointed.

2:11 And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did

minister unto the LORD before Eli the priest.

2:12 Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD.

2:13 And the priest's custom with the people was, that, when any man

offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in

seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand; 2:14 And he

struck it into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the

fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in

Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither.

2:15 Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and

said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest;

for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw.

2:16 And if any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat

presently, and then take as much as thy soul desireth; then he would

answer him, Nay; but thou shalt give it me now: and if not, I will

take it by force.

2:17 Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the

LORD: for men abhorred the offering of the LORD.

2:18 But Samuel ministered before the LORD, being a child, girded with

a linen ephod.

2:19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought it to him

from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the

yearly sacrifice.

2:20 And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, The LORD give

thee seed of this woman for the loan which is lent to the LORD. And

they went unto their own home.

2:21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare

three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the

LORD.

2:22 Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all

Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled at the door of

the tabernacle of the congregation.

2:23 And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? for I hear of your

evil dealings by all this people.

2:24 Nay, my sons; for it is no good report that I hear: ye make the

LORD's people to transgress.

2:25 If one man sin against another, the judge shall judge him: but if

a man sin against the LORD, who shall intreat for him? Notwithstanding

they hearkened not unto the voice of their father, because the LORD

would slay them.

2:26 And the child Samuel grew on, and was in favour both with the

LORD, and also with men.

2:27 And there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus

saith the LORD, Did I plainly appear unto the house of thy father,

when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house? 2:28 And did I choose him

out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to offer upon mine

altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give

unto the house of thy father all the offerings made by fire of the

children of Israel? 2:29 Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at

mine offering, which I have commanded in my habitation; and honourest

thy sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest of all the

offerings of Israel my people? 2:30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel

saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy father,

should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from

me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me

shall be lightly esteemed.

2:31 Behold, the days come, that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm

of thy father's house, that there shall not be an old man in thine

house.

2:32 And thou shalt see an enemy in my habitation, in all the wealth

which God shall give Israel: and there shall not be an old man in

thine house for ever.

2:33 And the man of thine, whom I shall not cut off from mine altar,

shall be to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the

increase of thine house shall die in the flower of their age.

2:34 And this shall be a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two

sons, on Hophni and Phinehas; in one day they shall die both of them.

2:35 And I will raise me up a faithful priest, that shall do according

to that which is in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a

sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever.

2:36 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left in thine

house shall come and crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel

of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray thee, into one of the priests'

offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.

3:1 And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the

word of the LORD was precious in those days; there was no open vision.

3:2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was laid down in his

place, and his eyes began to wax dim, that he could not see; 3:3 And

ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD, where the ark

of God was, and Samuel was laid down to sleep; 3:4 That the LORD

called Samuel: and he answered, Here am I.

3:5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou calledst me.

And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.

3:6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went

to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And he answered,

I called not, my son; lie down again.

3:7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the

LORD yet revealed unto him.

3:8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and

went to Eli, and said, Here am I; for thou didst call me. And Eli

perceived that the LORD had called the child.

3:9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if

he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant

heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

3:10 And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times,

Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

3:11 And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel,

at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.

3:12 In that day I will perform against Eli all things which I have

spoken concerning his house: when I begin, I will also make an end.

3:13 For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the

iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and

he restrained them not.

3:14 And therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the

iniquity of Eli's house shall not be purged with sacrifice nor

offering for ever.

3:15 And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the

house of the LORD. And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision.

3:16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he

answered, Here am I.

3:17 And he said, What is the thing that the LORD hath said unto thee?

I pray thee hide it not from me: God do so to thee, and more also, if

thou hide any thing from me of all the things that he said unto thee.

3:18 And Samuel told him every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he

said, It is the LORD: let him do what seemeth him good.

3:19 And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him, and did let none of

his words fall to the ground.

3:20 And all Israel from Dan even to Beersheba knew that Samuel was

established to be a prophet of the LORD.

3:21 And the LORD appeared again in Shiloh: for the LORD revealed

himself to Samuel in Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

4:1 And the word of Samuel came to all Israel. Now Israel went out

against the Philistines to battle, and pitched beside Ebenezer: and

the Philistines pitched in Aphek.

4:2 And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and

when they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines:

and they slew of the army in the field about four thousand men.

4:3 And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel

said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to day before the

Philistines? Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of

Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of

the hand of our enemies.

4:4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence

the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth between

the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were

there with the ark of the covenant of God.

4:5 And when the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp,

all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang again.

4:6 And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said,

What meaneth the noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews?

And they understood that the ark of the LORD was come into the camp.

4:7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into

the camp. And they said, Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a

thing heretofore.

4:8 Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty

Gods? these are the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues

in the wilderness.

4:9 Be strong and quit yourselves like men, O ye Philistines, that ye

be not servants unto the Hebrews, as they have been to you: quit

yourselves like men, and fight.

4:10 And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten, and they fled

every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for

there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

4:11 And the ark of God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and

Phinehas, were slain.

4:12 And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to

Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and with earth upon his

head.

4:13 And when he came, lo, Eli sat upon a seat by the wayside

watching: for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man

came into the city, and told it, all the city cried out.

4:14 And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, What meaneth

the noise of this tumult? And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.

4:15 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes were dim,

that he could not see.

4:16 And the man said unto Eli, I am he that came out of the army, and

I fled to day out of the army. And he said, What is there done, my

son? 4:17 And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before

the Philistines, and there hath been also a great slaughter among the

people, and thy two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the

ark of God is taken.

4:18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that

he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his

neck brake, and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy. And he had

judged Israel forty years.

4:19 And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, near to

be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was

taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead, she bowed

herself and travailed; for her pains came upon her.

4:20 And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said

unto her, Fear not; for thou hast born a son. But she answered not,

neither did she regard it.

4:21 And she named the child Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed

from Israel: because the ark of God was taken, and because of her

father in law and her husband.

4:22 And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for the ark of

God is taken.

5:1 And the Philistines took the ark of God, and brought it from

Ebenezer unto Ashdod.

5:2 When the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the

house of Dagon, and set it by Dagon.

5:3 And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon

was fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of the LORD. And

they took Dagon, and set him in his place again.

5:4 And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon was

fallen upon his face to the ground before the ark of the LORD; and the

head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands were cut off upon the

threshold; only the stump of Dagon was left to him.

5:5 Therefore neither the priests of Dagon, nor any that come into

Dagon's house, tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod unto this

day.

5:6 But the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he

destroyed them, and smote them with emerods, even Ashdod and the

coasts thereof.

5:7 And when the men of Ashdod saw that it was so, they said, The ark

of the God of Israel shall not abide with us: for his hand is sore

upon us, and upon Dagon our god.

5:8 They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines

unto them, and said, What shall we do with the ark of the God of

Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the God of Israel be carried

about unto Gath. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel about

thither.

5:9 And it was so, that, after they had carried it about, the hand of

the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he

smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods

in their secret parts.

5:10 Therefore they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass,

as the ark of God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying,

They have brought about the ark of the God of Israel to us, to slay us

and our people.

5:11 So they sent and gathered together all the lords of the

Philistines, and said, Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let

it go again to his own place, that it slay us not, and our people: for

there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; the hand of

God was very heavy there.

5:12 And the men that died not were smitten with the emerods: and the

cry of the city went up to heaven.

6:1 And the ark of the LORD was in the country of the Philistines

seven months.

6:2 And the Philistines called for the priests and the diviners,

saying, What shall we do to the ark of the LORD? tell us wherewith we

shall send it to his place.

6:3 And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send

it not empty; but in any wise return him a trespass offering: then ye

shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not

removed from you.

6:4 Then said they, What shall be the trespass offering which we shall

return to him? They answered, Five golden emerods, and five golden

mice, according to the number of the lords of the Philistines: for one

plague was on you all, and on your lords.

6:5 Wherefore ye shall make images of your emerods, and images of your

mice that mar the land; and ye shall give glory unto the God of

Israel: peradventure he will lighten his hand from off you, and from

off your gods, and from off your land.

6:6 Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and

Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought wonderfully among

them, did they not let the people go, and they departed? 6:7 Now

therefore make a new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there

hath come no yoke, and tie the kine to the cart, and bring their

calves home from them: 6:8 And take the ark of the LORD, and lay it

upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return him for a

trespass offering, in a coffer by the side thereof; and send it away,

that it may go.

6:9 And see, if it goeth up by the way of his own coast to

Bethshemesh, then he hath done us this great evil: but if not, then we

shall know that it is not his hand that smote us: it was a chance that

happened to us.

6:10 And the men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the

cart, and shut up their calves at home: 6:11 And they laid the ark of

the LORD upon the cart, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the

images of their emerods.

6:12 And the kine took the straight way to the way of Bethshemesh, and

went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside to

the right hand or to the left; and the lords of the Philistines went

after them unto the border of Bethshemesh.

6:13 And they of Bethshemesh were reaping their wheat harvest in the

valley: and they lifted up their eyes, and saw the ark, and rejoiced

to see it.

6:14 And the cart came into the field of Joshua, a Bethshemite, and

stood there, where there was a great stone: and they clave the wood of

the cart, and offered the kine a burnt offering unto the LORD.

6:15 And the Levites took down the ark of the LORD, and the coffer

that was with it, wherein the jewels of gold were, and put them on the

great stone: and the men of Bethshemesh offered burnt offerings and

sacrificed sacrifices the same day unto the LORD.

6:16 And when the five lords of the Philistines had seen it, they

returned to Ekron the same day.

6:17 And these are the golden emerods which the Philistines returned

for a trespass offering unto the LORD; for Ashdod one, for Gaza one,

for Askelon one, for Gath one, for Ekron one; 6:18 And the golden

mice, according to the number of all the cities of the Philistines

belonging to the five lords, both of fenced cities, and of country

villages, even unto the great stone of Abel, whereon they set down the

ark of the LORD: which stone remaineth unto this day in the field of

Joshua, the Bethshemite.

6:19 And he smote the men of Bethshemesh, because they had looked into

the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and

threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had

smitten many of the people with a great slaughter.

6:20 And the men of Bethshemesh said, Who is able to stand before this

holy LORD God? and to whom shall he go up from us? 6:21 And they sent

messengers to the inhabitants of Kirjathjearim, saying, The

Philistines have brought again the ark of the LORD; come ye down, and

fetch it up to you.

7:1 And the men of Kirjathjearim came, and fetched up the ark of the

LORD, and brought it into the house of Abinadab in the hill, and

sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD.

7:2 And it came to pass, while the ark abode in Kirjathjearim, that

the time was long; for it was twenty years: and all the house of

Israel lamented after the LORD.

7:3 And Samuel spake unto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye do

return unto the LORD with all your hearts, then put away the strange

gods and Ashtaroth from among you, and prepare your hearts unto the

LORD, and serve him only: and he will deliver you out of the hand of

the Philistines.

7:4 Then the children of Israel did put away Baalim and Ashtaroth, and

served the LORD only.

7:5 And Samuel said, Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for

you unto the LORD.

7:6 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drew water, and poured

it out before the LORD, and fasted on that day, and said there, We

have sinned against the LORD. And Samuel judged the children of Israel

in Mizpeh.

7:7 And when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were

gathered together to Mizpeh, the lords of the Philistines went up

against Israel. And when the children of Israel heard it, they were

afraid of the Philistines.

7:8 And the children of Israel said to Samuel, Cease not to cry unto

the LORD our God for us, that he will save us out of the hand of the

Philistines.

7:9 And Samuel took a sucking lamb, and offered it for a burnt

offering wholly unto the LORD: and Samuel cried unto the LORD for

Israel; and the LORD heard him.

7:10 And as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines

drew near to battle against Israel: but the LORD thundered with a

great thunder on that day upon the Philistines, and discomfited them;

and they were smitten before Israel.

7:11 And the men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the

Philistines, and smote them, until they came under Bethcar.

7:12 Then Samuel took a stone, and set it between Mizpeh and Shen, and

called the name of it Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped

us.

7:13 So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more into the

coast of Israel: and the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines

all the days of Samuel.

7:14 And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were

restored to Israel, from Ekron even unto Gath; and the coasts thereof

did Israel deliver out of the hands of the Philistines. And there was

peace between Israel and the Amorites.

7:15 And Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life.

7:16 And he went from year to year in circuit to Bethel, and Gilgal,

and Mizpeh, and judged Israel in all those places.

7:17 And his return was to Ramah; for there was his house; and there

he judged Israel; and there he built an altar unto the LORD.

8:1 And it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he made his sons

judges over Israel.

8:2 Now the name of his firstborn was Joel; and the name of his

second, Abiah: they were judges in Beersheba.

8:3 And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre,

and took bribes, and perverted judgment.

8:4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and

came to Samuel unto Ramah, 8:5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art

old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us

like all the nations.

8:6 But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to

judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

8:7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the

people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected

thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.

8:8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that

I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have

forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.

8:9 Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet protest

solemnly unto them, and shew them the manner of the king that shall

reign over them.

8:10 And Samuel told all the words of the LORD unto the people that

asked of him a king.

8:11 And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign

over you: He will take your sons, and appoint them for himself, for

his chariots, and to be his horsemen; and some shall run before his

chariots.

8:12 And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains

over fifties; and will set them to ear his ground, and to reap his

harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his

chariots.

8:13 And he will take your daughters to be confectionaries, and to be

cooks, and to be bakers.

8:14 And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your

oliveyards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants.

8:15 And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards,

and give to his officers, and to his servants.

8:16 And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and

your goodliest young men, and your asses, and put them to his work.

8:17 He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his

servants.

8:18 And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye

shall have chosen you; and the LORD will not hear you in that day.

8:19 Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and

they said, Nay; but we will have a king over us; 8:20 That we also may

be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out

before us, and fight our battles.

8:21 And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed

them in the ears of the LORD.

8:22 And the LORD said to Samuel, Hearken unto their voice, and make

them a king. And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go ye every man

unto his city.

9:1 Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name was Kish, the son of

Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a

Benjamite, a mighty man of power.

9:2 And he had a son, whose name was Saul, a choice young man, and a

goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier

person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any

of the people.

9:3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to

Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go

seek the asses.

9:4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land

of Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed through the

land of Shalim, and there they were not: and he passed through the

land of the Benjamites, but they found them not.

9:5 And when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his

servant that was with him, Come, and let us return; lest my father

leave caring for the asses, and take thought for us.

9:6 And he said unto him, Behold now, there is in this city a man of

God, and he is an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to

pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that

we should go.

9:7 Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, if we go, what shall

we bring the man? for the bread is spent in our vessels, and there is

not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we? 9:8 And the

servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the

fourth part of a shekel of silver: that will I give to the man of God,

to tell us our way.

9:9 (Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to enquire of God, thus he

spake, Come, and let us go to the seer: for he that is now called a

Prophet was beforetime called a Seer.) 9:10 Then said Saul to his

servant, Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where

the man of God was.

9:11 And as they went up the hill to the city, they found young

maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them, Is the seer here?

9:12 And they answered them, and said, He is; behold, he is before

you: make haste now, for he came to day to the city; for there is a

sacrifice of the people to day in the high place: 9:13 As soon as ye

be come into the city, ye shall straightway find him, before he go up

to the high place to eat: for the people will not eat until he come,

because he doth bless the sacrifice; and afterwards they eat that be

bidden. Now therefore get you up; for about this time ye shall find

him.

9:14 And they went up into the city: and when they were come into the

city, behold, Samuel came out against them, for to go up to the high

place.

9:15 Now the LORD had told Samuel in his ear a day before Saul came,

saying, 9:16 To morrow about this time I will send thee a man out of

the land of Benjamin, and thou shalt anoint him to be captain over my

people Israel, that he may save my people out of the hand of the

Philistines: for I have looked upon my people, because their cry is

come unto me.

9:17 And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said unto him, Behold the man

whom I spake to thee of! this same shall reign over my people.

9:18 Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell me, I

pray thee, where the seer's house is.

9:19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I am the seer: go up before

me unto the high place; for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow

I will let thee go, and will tell thee all that is in thine heart.

9:20 And as for thine asses that were lost three days ago, set not thy

mind on them; for they are found. And on whom is all the desire of

Israel? Is it not on thee, and on all thy father's house? 9:21 And

Saul answered and said, Am not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the

tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the

tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then speakest thou so to me? 9:22 And

Samuel took Saul and his servant, and brought them into the parlour,

and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden,

which were about thirty persons.

9:23 And Samuel said unto the cook, Bring the portion which I gave

thee, of which I said unto thee, Set it by thee.

9:24 And the cook took up the shoulder, and that which was upon it,

and set it before Saul. And Samuel said, Behold that which is left!

set it before thee, and eat: for unto this time hath it been kept for

thee since I said, I have invited the people. So Saul did eat with

Samuel that day.

9:25 And when they were come down from the high place into the city,

Samuel communed with Saul upon the top of the house.

9:26 And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the

day, that Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, Up, that

I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they went out both of them,

he and Samuel, abroad.

9:27 And as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said

to Saul, Bid the servant pass on before us, (and he passed on), but

stand thou still a while, that I may shew thee the word of God.

10:1 Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it upon his head, and

kissed him, and said, Is it not because the LORD hath anointed thee to

be captain over his inheritance? 10:2 When thou art departed from me

to day, then thou shalt find two men by Rachel's sepulchre in the

border of Benjamin at Zelzah; and they will say unto thee, The asses

which thou wentest to seek are found: and, lo, thy father hath left

the care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I do

for my son? 10:3 Then shalt thou go on forward from thence, and thou

shalt come to the plain of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men

going up to God to Bethel, one carrying three kids, and another

carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine:

10:4 And they will salute thee, and give thee two loaves of bread;

which thou shalt receive of their hands.

10:5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where is the

garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when thou art

come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company of prophets

coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a

pipe, and a harp, before them; and they shall prophesy: 10:6 And the

Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with

them, and shalt be turned into another man.

10:7 And let it be, when these signs are come unto thee, that thou do

as occasion serve thee; for God is with thee.

10:8 And thou shalt go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold, I will

come down unto thee, to offer burnt offerings, and to sacrifice

sacrifices of peace offerings: seven days shalt thou tarry, till I

come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt do.

10:9 And it was so, that when he had turned his back to go from

Samuel, God gave him another heart: and all those signs came to pass

that day.

10:10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of

prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him, and he

prophesied among them.

10:11 And it came to pass, when all that knew him beforetime saw that,

behold, he prophesied among the prophets, then the people said one to

another, What is this that is come unto the son of Kish? Is Saul also

among the prophets? 10:12 And one of the same place answered and

said, But who is their father? Therefore it became a proverb, Is Saul

also among the prophets? 10:13 And when he had made an end of

prophesying, he came to the high place.

10:14 And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant, Whither went

ye? And he said, To seek the asses: and when we saw that they were no

where, we came to Samuel.

10:15 And Saul's uncle said, Tell me, I pray thee, what Samuel said

unto you.

10:16 And Saul said unto his uncle, He told us plainly that the asses

were found. But of the matter of the kingdom, whereof Samuel spake, he

told him not.

10:17 And Samuel called the people together unto the LORD to Mizpeh;

10:18 And said unto the children of Israel, Thus saith the LORD God of

Israel, I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the

hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdoms, and of

them that oppressed you: 10:19 And ye have this day rejected your God,

who himself saved you out of all your adversities and your

tribulations; and ye have said unto him, Nay, but set a king over us.

Now therefore present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes, and

by your thousands.

10:20 And when Samuel had caused all the tribes of Israel to come

near, the tribe of Benjamin was taken.

10:21 When he had caused the tribe of Benjamin to come near by their

families, the family of Matri was taken, and Saul the son of Kish was

taken: and when they sought him, he could not be found.

10:22 Therefore they enquired of the LORD further, if the man should

yet come thither. And the LORD answered, Behold he hath hid himself

among the stuff.

10:23 And they ran and fetched him thence: and when he stood among the

people, he was higher than any of the people from his shoulders and

upward.

10:24 And Samuel said to all the people, See ye him whom the LORD hath

chosen, that there is none like him among all the people? And all the

people shouted, and said, God save the king.

10:25 Then Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdom, and wrote

it in a book, and laid it up before the LORD. And Samuel sent all the

people away, every man to his house.

10:26 And Saul also went home to Gibeah; and there went with him a

band of men, whose hearts God had touched.

10:27 But the children of Belial said, How shall this man save us? And

they despised him, and brought no presents. But he held his peace.

11:1 Then Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against

Jabeshgilead: and all the men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, Make a

covenant with us, and we will serve thee.

11:2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this condition will I

make a covenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes,

and lay it for a reproach upon all Israel.

11:3 And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, Give us seven days'

respite, that we may send messengers unto all the coasts of Israel:

and then, if there be no man to save us, we will come out to thee.

11:4 Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings

in the ears of the people: and all the people lifted up their voices,

and wept.

11:5 And, behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul

said, What aileth the people that they weep? And they told him the

tidings of the men of Jabesh.

11:6 And the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings,

and his anger was kindled greatly.

11:7 And he took a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent

them throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers,

saying, Whosoever cometh not forth after Saul and after Samuel, so

shall it be done unto his oxen. And the fear of the LORD fell on the

people, and they came out with one consent.

11:8 And when he numbered them in Bezek, the children of Israel were

three hundred thousand, and the men of Judah thirty thousand.

11:9 And they said unto the messengers that came, Thus shall ye say

unto the men of Jabeshgilead, To morrow, by that time the sun be hot,

ye shall have help. And the messengers came and shewed it to the men

of Jabesh; and they were glad.

11:10 Therefore the men of Jabesh said, To morrow we will come out

unto you, and ye shall do with us all that seemeth good unto you.

11:11 And it was so on the morrow, that Saul put the people in three

companies; and they came into the midst of the host in the morning

watch, and slew the Ammonites until the heat of the day: and it came

to pass, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them

were not left together.

11:12 And the people said unto Samuel, Who is he that said, Shall Saul

reign over us? bring the men, that we may put them to death.

11:13 And Saul said, There shall not a man be put to death this day:

for to day the LORD hath wrought salvation in Israel.

11:14 Then said Samuel to the people, Come, and let us go to Gilgal,

and renew the kingdom there.

11:15 And all the people went to Gilgal; and there they made Saul king

before the LORD in Gilgal; and there they sacrificed sacrifices of

peace offerings before the LORD; and there Saul and all the men of

Israel rejoiced greatly.

12:1 And Samuel said unto all Israel, Behold, I have hearkened unto

your voice in all that ye said unto me, and have made a king over you.

12:2 And now, behold, the king walketh before you: and I am old and

grayheaded; and, behold, my sons are with you: and I have walked

before you from my childhood unto this day.

12:3 Behold, here I am: witness against me before the LORD, and before

his anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or

whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I

received any bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it

you.

12:4 And they said, Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us,

neither hast thou taken ought of any man's hand.

12:5 And he said unto them, The LORD is witness against you, and his

anointed is witness this day, that ye have not found ought in my hand.

And they answered, He is witness.

12:6 And Samuel said unto the people, It is the LORD that advanced

Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of

Egypt.

12:7 Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before the

LORD of all the righteous acts of the LORD, which he did to you and to

your fathers.

12:8 When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto the

LORD, then the LORD sent Moses and Aaron, which brought forth your

fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place.

12:9 And when they forgat the LORD their God, he sold them into the

hand of Sisera, captain of the host of Hazor, and into the hand of the

Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab, and they fought

against them.

12:10 And they cried unto the LORD, and said, We have sinned, because

we have forsaken the LORD, and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but

now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve thee.

12:11 And the LORD sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and

Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every

side, and ye dwelled safe.

12:12 And when ye saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon

came against you, ye said unto me, Nay; but a king shall reign over

us: when the LORD your God was your king.

12:13 Now therefore behold the king whom ye have chosen, and whom ye

have desired! and, behold, the LORD hath set a king over you.

12:14 If ye will fear the LORD, and serve him, and obey his voice, and

not rebel against the commandment of the LORD, then shall both ye and

also the king that reigneth over you continue following the LORD your

God: 12:15 But if ye will not obey the voice of the LORD, but rebel

against the commandment of the LORD, then shall the hand of the LORD

be against you, as it was against your fathers.

12:16 Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which the LORD

will do before your eyes.

12:17 Is it not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto the LORD, and

he shall send thunder and rain; that ye may perceive and see that your

wickedness is great, which ye have done in the sight of the LORD, in

asking you a king.

12:18 So Samuel called unto the LORD; and the LORD sent thunder and

rain that day: and all the people greatly feared the LORD and Samuel.

12:19 And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto

the LORD thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins

this evil, to ask us a king.

12:20 And Samuel said unto the people, Fear not: ye have done all this

wickedness: yet turn not aside from following the LORD, but serve the

LORD with all your heart; 12:21 And turn ye not aside: for then should

ye go after vain things, which cannot profit nor deliver; for they are

vain.

12:22 For the LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's

sake: because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people.

12:23 Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the

LORD in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the

right way: 12:24 Only fear the LORD, and serve him in truth with all

your heart: for consider how great things he hath done for you.

12:25 But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both ye

and your king.

13:1 Saul reigned one year; and when he had reigned two years over

Israel, 13:2 Saul chose him three thousand men of Israel; whereof two

thousand were with Saul in Michmash and in mount Bethel, and a

thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin: and the rest of the

people he sent every man to his tent.

13:3 And Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that was in

Geba, and the Philistines heard of it. And Saul blew the trumpet

throughout all the land, saying, Let the Hebrews hear.

13:4 And all Israel heard say that Saul had smitten a garrison of the

Philistines, and that Israel also was had in abomination with the

Philistines. And the people were called together after Saul to Gilgal.

13:5 And the Philistines gathered themselves together to fight with

Israel, thirty thousand chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and

people as the sand which is on the sea shore in multitude: and they

came up, and pitched in Michmash, eastward from Bethaven.

13:6 When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait, (for the

people were distressed,) then the people did hide themselves in caves,

and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high places, and in pits.

13:7 And some of the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and

Gilead. As for Saul, he was yet in Gilgal, and all the people followed

him trembling.

13:8 And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel

had appointed: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were

scattered from him.

13:9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace

offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.

13:10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of

offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to

meet him, that he might salute him.

13:11 And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I

saw that the people were scattered from me, and that thou camest not

within the days appointed, and that the Philistines gathered

themselves together at Michmash; 13:12 Therefore said I, The

Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made

supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a

burnt offering.

13:13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not

kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for

now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.

13:14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him

a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him to be

captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the

LORD commanded thee.

13:15 And Samuel arose, and gat him up from Gilgal unto Gibeah of

Benjamin. And Saul numbered the people that were present with him,

about six hundred men.

13:16 And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the people that were present

with them, abode in Gibeah of Benjamin: but the Philistines encamped

in Michmash.

13:17 And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in

three companies: one company turned unto the way that leadeth to

Ophrah, unto the land of Shual: 13:18 And another company turned the

way to Bethhoron: and another company turned to the way of the border

that looketh to the valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness.

13:19 Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel:

for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make them swords or spears:

13:20 But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen

every man his share, and his coulter, and his axe, and his mattock.

13:21 Yet they had a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and

for the forks, and for the axes, and to sharpen the goads.

13:22 So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither

sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people that were with

Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there

found.

13:23 And the garrison of the Philistines went out to the passage of

Michmash.

14:1 Now it came to pass upon a day, that Jonathan the son of Saul

said unto the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over

to the Philistines' garrison, that is on the other side. But he told

not his father.

14:2 And Saul tarried in the uttermost part of Gibeah under a

pomegranate tree which is in Migron: and the people that were with him

were about six hundred men; 14:3 And Ahiah, the son of Ahitub,

Ichabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the LORD's

priest in Shiloh, wearing an ephod. And the people knew not that

Jonathan was gone.

14:4 And between the passages, by which Jonathan sought to go over

unto the Philistines' garrison, there was a sharp rock on the one

side, and a sharp rock on the other side: and the name of the one was

Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.

14:5 The forefront of the one was situate northward over against

Michmash, and the other southward over against Gibeah.

14:6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come,

and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be

that the LORD will work for us: for there is no restraint to the LORD

to save by many or by few.

14:7 And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that is in thine

heart: turn thee; behold, I am with thee according to thy heart.

14:8 Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will pass over unto these men, and

we will discover ourselves unto them.

14:9 If they say thus unto us, Tarry until we come to you; then we

will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them.

14:10 But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up: for

the LORD hath delivered them into our hand: and this shall be a sign

unto us.

14:11 And both of them discovered themselves unto the garrison of the

Philistines: and the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrews come forth

out of the holes where they had hid themselves.

14:12 And the men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his

armourbearer, and said, Come up to us, and we will shew you a thing.

And Jonathan said unto his armourbearer, Come up after me: for the

LORD hath delivered them into the hand of Israel.

14:13 And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and

his armourbearer after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his

armourbearer slew after him.

14:14 And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armourbearer

made, was about twenty men, within as it were an half acre of land,

which a yoke of oxen might plow.

14:15 And there was trembling in the host, in the field, and among all

the people: the garrison, and the spoilers, they also trembled, and

the earth quaked: so it was a very great trembling.

14:16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and,

behold, the multitude melted away, and they went on beating down one

another.

14:17 Then said Saul unto the people that were with him, Number now,

and see who is gone from us. And when they had numbered, behold,

Jonathan and his armourbearer were not there.

14:18 And Saul said unto Ahiah, Bring hither the ark of God. For the

ark of God was at that time with the children of Israel.

14:19 And it came to pass, while Saul talked unto the priest, that the

noise that was in the host of the Philistines went on and increased:

and Saul said unto the priest, Withdraw thine hand.

14:20 And Saul and all the people that were with him assembled

themselves, and they came to the battle: and, behold, every man's

sword was against his fellow, and there was a very great discomfiture.

14:21 Moreover the Hebrews that were with the Philistines before that

time, which went up with them into the camp from the country round

about, even they also turned to be with the Israelites that were with

Saul and Jonathan.

14:22 Likewise all the men of Israel which had hid themselves in mount

Ephraim, when they heard that the Philistines fled, even they also

followed hard after them in the battle.

14:23 So the LORD saved Israel that day: and the battle passed over

unto Bethaven.

14:24 And the men of Israel were distressed that day: for Saul had

adjured the people, saying, Cursed be the man that eateth any food

until evening, that I may be avenged on mine enemies. So none of the

people tasted any food.

14:25 And all they of the land came to a wood; and there was honey

upon the ground.

14:26 And when the people were come into the wood, behold, the honey

dropped; but no man put his hand to his mouth: for the people feared

the oath.

14:27 But Jonathan heard not when his father charged the people with

the oath: wherefore he put forth the end of the rod that was in his

hand, and dipped it in an honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth;

and his eyes were enlightened.

14:28 Then answered one of the people, and said, Thy father straitly

charged the people with an oath, saying, Cursed be the man that eateth

any food this day. And the people were faint.

14:29 Then said Jonathan, My father hath troubled the land: see, I

pray you, how mine eyes have been enlightened, because I tasted a

little of this honey.

14:30 How much more, if haply the people had eaten freely to day of

the spoil of their enemies which they found? for had there not been

now a much greater slaughter among the Philistines? 14:31 And they

smote the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon: and the

people were very faint.

14:32 And the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen,

and calves, and slew them on the ground: and the people did eat them

with the blood.

14:33 Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against the

LORD, in that they eat with the blood. And he said, Ye have

transgressed: roll a great stone unto me this day.

14:34 And Saul said, Disperse yourselves among the people, and say

unto them, Bring me hither every man his ox, and every man his sheep,

and slay them here, and eat; and sin not against the LORD in eating

with the blood.

And all the people brought every man his ox with him that night, and

slew them there.

14:35 And Saul built an altar unto the LORD: the same was the first

altar that he built unto the LORD.

14:36 And Saul said, Let us go down after the Philistines by night,

and spoil them until the morning light, and let us not leave a man of

them. And they said, Do whatsoever seemeth good unto thee. Then said

the priest, Let us draw near hither unto God.

14:37 And Saul asked counsel of God, Shall I go down after the

Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into the hand of Israel? But he

answered him not that day.

14:38 And Saul said, Draw ye near hither, all the chief of the people:

and know and see wherein this sin hath been this day.

14:39 For, as the LORD liveth, which saveth Israel, though it be in

Jonathan my son, he shall surely die. But there was not a man among

all the people that answered him.

14:40 Then said he unto all Israel, Be ye on one side, and I and

Jonathan my son will be on the other side. And the people said unto

Saul, Do what seemeth good unto thee.

14:41 Therefore Saul said unto the LORD God of Israel, Give a perfect

lot.

And Saul and Jonathan were taken: but the people escaped.

14:42 And Saul said, Cast lots between me and Jonathan my son. And

Jonathan was taken.

14:43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, Tell me what thou hast done. And

Jonathan told him, and said, I did but taste a little honey with the

end of the rod that was in mine hand, and, lo, I must die.

14:44 And Saul answered, God do so and more also: for thou shalt

surely die, Jonathan.

14:45 And the people said unto Saul, Shall Jonathan die, who hath

wrought this great salvation in Israel? God forbid: as the LORD

liveth, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground; for

he hath wrought with God this day. So the people rescued Jonathan,

that he died not.

14:46 Then Saul went up from following the Philistines: and the

Philistines went to their own place.

14:47 So Saul took the kingdom over Israel, and fought against all his

enemies on every side, against Moab, and against the children of

Ammon, and against Edom, and against the kings of Zobah, and against

the Philistines: and whithersoever he turned himself, he vexed them.

14:48 And he gathered an host, and smote the Amalekites, and delivered

Israel out of the hands of them that spoiled them.

14:49 Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and Ishui, and Melchishua:

and the names of his two daughters were these; the name of the

firstborn Merab, and the name of the younger Michal: 14:50 And the

name of Saul's wife was Ahinoam, the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name

of the captain of his host was Abner, the son of Ner, Saul's uncle.

14:51 And Kish was the father of Saul; and Ner the father of Abner was

the son of Abiel.

14:52 And there was sore war against the Philistines all the days of

Saul: and when Saul saw any strong man, or any valiant man, he took

him unto him.

15:1 Samuel also said unto Saul, The LORD sent me to anoint thee to be

king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the

voice of the words of the LORD.

15:2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to

Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from

Egypt.

15:3 Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have,

and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling,

ox and sheep, camel and ass.

15:4 And Saul gathered the people together, and numbered them in

Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Judah.

15:5 And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and laid wait in the valley.

15:6 And Saul said unto the Kenites, Go, depart, get you down from

among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them: for ye shewed

kindness to all the children of Israel, when they came up out of

Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.

15:7 And Saul smote the Amalekites from Havilah until thou comest to

Shur, that is over against Egypt.

15:8 And he took Agag the king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly

destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword.

15:9 But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep,

and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all that was

good, and would not utterly destroy them: but every thing that was

vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.

15:10 Then came the word of the LORD unto Samuel, saying, 15:11 It

repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back

from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it

grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night.

15:12 And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was

told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a

place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal.

15:13 And Samuel came to Saul: and Saul said unto him, Blessed be thou

of the LORD: I have performed the commandment of the LORD.

15:14 And Samuel said, What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep in

mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear? 15:15 And Saul

said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people

spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto the

LORD thy God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed.

15:16 Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell thee what the

LORD hath said to me this night. And he said unto him, Say on.

15:17 And Samuel said, When thou wast little in thine own sight, wast

thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed

thee king over Israel? 15:18 And the LORD sent thee on a journey, and

said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight

against them until they be consumed.

15:19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the LORD, but

didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the LORD?

15:20 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the

LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought

Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

15:21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of

the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto

the LORD thy God in Gilgal.

15:22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt

offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold,

to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

15:23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is

as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the

LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.

15:24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have

transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I

feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

15:25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with

me, that I may worship the LORD.

15:26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou

hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee

from being king over Israel.

15:27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the

skirt of his mantle, and it rent.

15:28 And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of

Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine,

that is better than thou.

15:29 And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he

is not a man, that he should repent.

15:30 Then he said, I have sinned: yet honour me now, I pray thee,

before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with

me, that I may worship the LORD thy God.

15:31 So Samuel turned again after Saul; and Saul worshipped the LORD.

15:32 Then said Samuel, Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the

Amalekites. And Agag came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely

the bitterness of death is past.

15:33 And Samuel said, As the sword hath made women childless, so

shall thy mother be childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in

pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.

15:34 Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to

Gibeah of Saul.

15:35 And Samuel came no more to see Saul until the day of his death:

nevertheless Samuel mourned for Saul: and the LORD repented that he

had made Saul king over Israel.

16:1 And the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul,

seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn

with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Bethlehemite: for I

have provided me a king among his sons.

16:2 And Samuel said, How can I go? if Saul hear it, he will kill me.

And the LORD said, Take an heifer with thee, and say, I am come to

sacrifice to the LORD.

16:3 And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will shew thee what thou

shalt do: and thou shalt anoint unto me him whom I name unto thee.

16:4 And Samuel did that which the LORD spake, and came to Bethlehem.

And the elders of the town trembled at his coming, and said, Comest

thou peaceably? 16:5 And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice

unto the LORD: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.

And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the

sacrifice.

16:6 And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on

Eliab, and said, Surely the LORD's anointed is before him.

16:7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on

the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD

seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but

the LORD looketh on the heart.

16:8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And

he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this.

16:9 Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither hath the

LORD chosen this.

16:10 Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And

Samuel said unto Jesse, The LORD hath not chosen these.

16:11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he

said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the

sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not

sit down till he come hither.

16:12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of

a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said,

Arise, anoint him: for this is he.

16:13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst

of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that

day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

16:14 But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil

spirit from the LORD troubled him.

16:15 And Saul's servants said unto him, Behold now, an evil spirit

from God troubleth thee.

16:16 Let our lord now command thy servants, which are before thee, to

seek out a man, who is a cunning player on an harp: and it shall come

to pass, when the evil spirit from God is upon thee, that he shall

play with his hand, and thou shalt be well.

16:17 And Saul said unto his servants, Provide me now a man that can

play well, and bring him to me.

16:18 Then answered one of the servants, and said, Behold, I have seen

a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite, that is cunning in playing, and a

mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and prudent in matters, and a

comely person, and the LORD is with him.

16:19 Wherefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, Send me

David thy son, which is with the sheep.

16:20 And Jesse took an ass laden with bread, and a bottle of wine,

and a kid, and sent them by David his son unto Saul.

16:21 And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and he loved him

greatly; and he became his armourbearer.

16:22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, Let David, I pray thee, stand

before me; for he hath found favour in my sight.

16:23 And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon

Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was

refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.

17:1 Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and

were gathered together at Shochoh, which belongeth to Judah, and

pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephesdammim.

17:2 And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and

pitched by the valley of Elah, and set the battle in array against the

Philistines.

17:3 And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and

Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and there was a valley

between them.

17:4 And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines,

named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span.

17:5 And he had an helmet of brass upon his head, and he was armed

with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand

shekels of brass.

17:6 And he had greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass

between his shoulders.

17:7 And the staff of his spear was like a weaver's beam; and his

spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a

shield went before him.

17:8 And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto

them, Why are ye come out to set your battle in array? am not I a

Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let

him come down to me.

17:9 If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be

your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall

ye be our servants, and serve us.

17:10 And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day;

give me a man, that we may fight together.

17:11 When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine,

they were dismayed, and greatly afraid.

17:12 Now David was the son of that Ephrathite of Bethlehemjudah,

whose name was Jesse; and he had eight sons: and the man went among

men for an old man in the days of Saul.

17:13 And the three eldest sons of Jesse went and followed Saul to the

battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle were

Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third

Shammah.

17:14 And David was the youngest: and the three eldest followed Saul.

17:15 But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep

at Bethlehem.

17:16 And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented

himself forty days.

17:17 And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an

ephah of this parched corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp

of thy brethren; 17:18 And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of

their thousand, and look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.

17:19 Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the

valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

17:20 And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with

a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came

to the trench, as the host was going forth to the fight, and shouted

for the battle.

17:21 For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army

against army.

17:22 And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the

carriage, and ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren.

17:23 And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion,

the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the

Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard

them.

17:24 And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him,

and were sore afraid.

17:25 And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come

up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, that the

man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and

will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in

Israel.

17:26 And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall

be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the

reproach from Israel? for who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that

he should defy the armies of the living God? 17:27 And the people

answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man

that killeth him.

17:28 And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men;

and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest

thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the

wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for

thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle.

17:29 And David said, What have I now done? Is there not a cause?

17:30 And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same

manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner.

17:31 And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed

them before Saul: and he sent for him.

17:32 And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him;

thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.

17:33 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this

Philistine to fight with him: for thou art but a youth, and he a man

of war from his youth.

17:34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep,

and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:

17:35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered it out of

his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught him by his beard,

and smote him, and slew him.

17:36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this

uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath

defied the armies of the living God.

17:37 David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw

of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of

the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the

LORD be with thee.

17:38 And Saul armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of

brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail.

17:39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to

go; for he had not proved it. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go

with these; for I have not proved them. And David put them off him.

17:40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth

stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he

had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near

to the Philistine.

17:41 And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man

that bare the shield went before him.

17:42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he

disdained him: for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair

countenance.

17:43 And the Philistine said unto David, Am I a dog, that thou comest

to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.

17:44 And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give

thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.

17:45 Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a

sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the

name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou

hast defied.

17:46 This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will

smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the

carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the

air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know

that there is a God in Israel.

17:47 And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with

sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you

into our hands.

17:48 And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came, and

drew nigh to meet David, that David hastened, and ran toward the army

to meet the Philistine.

17:49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and

slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone

sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.

17:50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a

stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword

in the hand of David.

17:51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his

sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut

off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion

was dead, they fled.

17:52 And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and

pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the

gates of Ekron.

And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim,

even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

17:53 And the children of Israel returned from chasing after the

Philistines, and they spoiled their tents.

17:54 And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to

Jerusalem; but he put his armour in his tent.

17:55 And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said

unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, whose son is this youth?

And Abner said, As thy soul liveth, O king, I cannot tell.

17:56 And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling is.

17:57 And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine,

Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the

Philistine in his hand.

17:58 And Saul said to him, Whose son art thou, thou young man? And

David answered, I am the son of thy servant Jesse the Bethlehemite.

18:1 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto

Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and

Jonathan loved him as his own soul.

18:2 And Saul took him that day, and would let him go no more home to

his father's house.

18:3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as

his own soul.

18:4 And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was upon him, and

gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow,

and to his girdle.

18:5 And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, and behaved

himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was

accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of

Saul's servants.

18:6 And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from

the slaughter of the Philistine, that the women came out of all cities

of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with

joy, and with instruments of musick.

18:7 And the women answered one another as they played, and said, Saul

hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands.

18:8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying displeased him; and he

said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have

ascribed but thousands: and what can he have more but the kingdom?

18:9 And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.

18:10 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God

came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David

played with his hand, as at other times: and there was a javelin in

Saul's hand.

18:11 And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even

to the wall with it. And David avoided out of his presence twice.

18:12 And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and

was departed from Saul.

18:13 Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain

over a thousand; and he went out and came in before the people.

18:14 And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the LORD

was with him.

18:15 Wherefore when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he

was afraid of him.

18:16 But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and

came in before them.

18:17 And Saul said to David, Behold my elder daughter Merab, her will

I give thee to wife: only be thou valiant for me, and fight the LORD's

battles.

For Saul said, Let not mine hand be upon him, but let the hand of the

Philistines be upon him.

18:18 And David said unto Saul, Who am I? and what is my life, or my

father's family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?

18:19 But it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's daughter

should have been given to David, that she was given unto Adriel the

Meholathite to wife.

18:20 And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and

the thing pleased him.

18:21 And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to

him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him.

Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in

the one of the twain.

18:22 And Saul commanded his servants, saying, Commune with David

secretly, and say, Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and all his

servants love thee: now therefore be the king's son in law.

18:23 And Saul's servants spake those words in the ears of David. And

David said, Seemeth it to you a light thing to be a king's son in law,

seeing that I am a poor man, and lightly esteemed? 18:24 And the

servants of Saul told him, saying, On this manner spake David.

18:25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not

any dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged

of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make David fall by the hand

of the Philistines.

18:26 And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David

well to be the king's son in law: and the days were not expired.

18:27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the

Philistines two hundred men; and David brought their foreskins, and

they gave them in full tale to the king, that he might be the king's

son in law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife.

18:28 And Saul saw and knew that the LORD was with David, and that

Michal Saul's daughter loved him.

18:29 And Saul was yet the more afraid of David; and Saul became

David's enemy continually.

18:30 Then the princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to

pass, after they went forth, that David behaved himself more wisely

than all the servants of Saul; so that his name was much set by.

19:1 And Saul spake to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that

they should kill David.

19:2 But Jonathan Saul's son delighted much in David: and Jonathan

told David, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: now

therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the morning, and

abide in a secret place, and hide thyself: 19:3 And I will go out and

stand beside my father in the field where thou art, and I will commune

with my father of thee; and what I see, that I will tell thee.

19:4 And Jonathan spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said

unto him, Let not the king sin against his servant, against David;

because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his works have

been to thee-ward very good: 19:5 For he did put his life in his hand,

and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great salvation for

all Israel: thou sawest it, and didst rejoice: wherefore then wilt

thou sin against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause? 19:6

And Saul hearkened unto the voice of Jonathan: and Saul sware, As the

LORD liveth, he shall not be slain.

19:7 And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan shewed him all those

things.

And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, as in

times past.

19:8 And there was war again: and David went out, and fought with the

Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter; and they fled from

him.

19:9 And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his

house with his javelin in his hand: and David played with his hand.

19:10 And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the

javelin: but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the

javelin into the wall: and David fled, and escaped that night.

19:11 Saul also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and

to slay him in the morning: and Michal David's wife told him, saying,

If thou save not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slain.

19:12 So Michal let David down through a window: and he went, and

fled, and escaped.

19:13 And Michal took an image, and laid it in the bed, and put a

pillow of goats' hair for his bolster, and covered it with a cloth.

19:14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He is

sick.

19:15 And Saul sent the messengers again to see David, saying, Bring

him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him.

19:16 And when the messengers were come in, behold, there was an image

in the bed, with a pillow of goats' hair for his bolster.

19:17 And Saul said unto Michal, Why hast thou deceived me so, and

sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He

said unto me, Let me go; why should I kill thee? 19:18 So David fled,

and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul

had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.

19:19 And it was told Saul, saying, Behold, David is at Naioth in

Ramah.

19:20 And Saul sent messengers to take David: and when they saw the

company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing as appointed

over them, the Spirit of God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they

also prophesied.

19:21 And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers, and they

prophesied likewise. And Saul sent messengers again the third time,

and they prophesied also.

19:22 Then went he also to Ramah, and came to a great well that is in

Sechu: and he asked and said, Where are Samuel and David? And one

said, Behold, they be at Naioth in Ramah.

19:23 And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God

was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to

Naioth in Ramah.

19:24 And he stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before

Samuel in like manner, and lay down naked all that day and all that

night. Wherefore they say, Is Saul also among the prophets? 20:1 And

David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said before Jonathan,

What have I done? what is mine iniquity? and what is my sin before thy

father, that he seeketh my life? 20:2 And he said unto him, God

forbid; thou shalt not die: behold, my father will do nothing either

great or small, but that he will shew it me: and why should my father

hide this thing from me? it is not so.

20:3 And David sware moreover, and said, Thy father certainly knoweth

that I have found grace in thine eyes; and he saith, Let not Jonathan

know this, lest he be grieved: but truly as the LORD liveth, and as

thy soul liveth, there is but a step between me and death.

20:4 Then said Jonathan unto David, Whatsoever thy soul desireth, I

will even do it for thee.

20:5 And David said unto Jonathan, Behold, to morrow is the new moon,

and I should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go,

that I may hide myself in the field unto the third day at even.

20:6 If thy father at all miss me, then say, David earnestly asked

leave of me that he might run to Bethlehem his city: for there is a

yearly sacrifice there for all the family.

20:7 If he say thus, It is well; thy servant shall have peace: but if

he be very wroth, then be sure that evil is determined by him.

20:8 Therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant; for thou hast

brought thy servant into a covenant of the LORD with thee:

notwithstanding, if there be in me iniquity, slay me thyself; for why

shouldest thou bring me to thy father? 20:9 And Jonathan said, Far be

it from thee: for if I knew certainly that evil were determined by my

father to come upon thee, then would not I tell it thee? 20:10 Then

said David to Jonathan, Who shall tell me? or what if thy father

answer thee roughly? 20:11 And Jonathan said unto David, Come, and

let us go out into the field. And they went out both of them into the

field.

20:12 And Jonathan said unto David, O LORD God of Israel, when I have

sounded my father about to morrow any time, or the third day, and,

behold, if there be good toward David, and I then send not unto thee,

and shew it thee; 20:13 The LORD do so and much more to Jonathan: but

if it please my father to do thee evil, then I will shew it thee, and

send thee away, that thou mayest go in peace: and the LORD be with

thee, as he hath been with my father.

20:14 And thou shalt not only while yet I live shew me the kindness of

the LORD, that I die not: 20:15 But also thou shalt not cut off thy

kindness from my house for ever: no, not when the LORD hath cut off

the enemies of David every one from the face of the earth.

20:16 So Jonathan made a covenant with the house of David, saying, Let

the LORD even require it at the hand of David's enemies.

20:17 And Jonathan caused David to swear again, because he loved him:

for he loved him as he loved his own soul.

20:18 Then Jonathan said to David, To morrow is the new moon: and thou

shalt be missed, because thy seat will be empty.

20:19 And when thou hast stayed three days, then thou shalt go down

quickly, and come to the place where thou didst hide thyself when the

business was in hand, and shalt remain by the stone Ezel.

20:20 And I will shoot three arrows on the side thereof, as though I

shot at a mark.

20:21 And, behold, I will send a lad, saying, Go, find out the arrows.

If I expressly say unto the lad, Behold, the arrows are on this side

of thee, take them; then come thou: for there is peace to thee, and no

hurt; as the LORD liveth.

20:22 But if I say thus unto the young man, Behold, the arrows are

beyond thee; go thy way: for the LORD hath sent thee away.

20:23 And as touching the matter which thou and I have spoken of,

behold, the LORD be between thee and me for ever.

20:24 So David hid himself in the field: and when the new moon was

come, the king sat him down to eat meat.

20:25 And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, even upon a

seat by the wall: and Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side,

and David's place was empty.

20:26 Nevertheless Saul spake not any thing that day: for he thought,

Something hath befallen him, he is not clean; surely he is not clean.

20:27 And it came to pass on the morrow, which was the second day of

the month, that David's place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan

his son, Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to meat, neither

yesterday, nor to day? 20:28 And Jonathan answered Saul, David

earnestly asked leave of me to go to Bethlehem: 20:29 And he said, Let

me go, I pray thee; for our family hath a sacrifice in the city; and

my brother, he hath commanded me to be there: and now, if I have found

favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my

brethren. Therefore he cometh not unto the king's table.

20:30 Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto

him, Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman, do not I know that

thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion, and unto the

confusion of thy mother's nakedness? 20:31 For as long as the son of

Jesse liveth upon the ground, thou shalt not be established, nor thy

kingdom. Wherefore now send and fetch him unto me, for he shall surely

die.

20:32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him,

Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done? 20:33 And Saul cast a

javelin at him to smite him: whereby Jonathan knew that it was

determined of his father to slay David.

20:34 So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no

meat the second day of the month: for he was grieved for David,

because his father had done him shame.

20:35 And it came to pass in the morning, that Jonathan went out into

the field at the time appointed with David, and a little lad with him.

20:36 And he said unto his lad, Run, find out now the arrows which I

shoot. And as the lad ran, he shot an arrow beyond him.

20:37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which

Jonathan had shot, Jonathan cried after the lad, and said, Is not the

arrow beyond thee? 20:38 And Jonathan cried after the lad, Make

speed, haste, stay not. And Jonathan's lad gathered up the arrows, and

came to his master.

20:39 But the lad knew not any thing: only Jonathan and David knew the

matter.

20:40 And Jonathan gave his artillery unto his lad, and said unto him,

Go, carry them to the city.

20:41 And as soon as the lad was gone, David arose out of a place

toward the south, and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed

himself three times: and they kissed one another, and wept one with

another, until David exceeded.

20:42 And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, forasmuch as we have

sworn both of us in the name of the LORD, saying, The LORD be between

me and thee, and between my seed and thy seed for ever. And he arose

and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.

21:1 Then came David to Nob to Ahimelech the priest: and Ahimelech was

afraid at the meeting of David, and said unto him, Why art thou alone,

and no man with thee? 21:2 And David said unto Ahimelech the priest,

The king hath commanded me a business, and hath said unto me, Let no

man know any thing of the business whereabout I send thee, and what I

have commanded thee: and I have appointed my servants to such and such

a place.

21:3 Now therefore what is under thine hand? give me five loaves of

bread in mine hand, or what there is present.

21:4 And the priest answered David, and said, There is no common bread

under mine hand, but there is hallowed bread; if the young men have

kept themselves at least from women.

21:5 And David answered the priest, and said unto him, Of a truth

women have been kept from us about these three days, since I came out,

and the vessels of the young men are holy, and the bread is in a

manner common, yea, though it were sanctified this day in the vessel.

21:6 So the priest gave him hallowed bread: for there was no bread

there but the shewbread, that was taken from before the LORD, to put

hot bread in the day when it was taken away.

21:7 Now a certain man of the servants of Saul was there that day,

detained before the LORD; and his name was Doeg, an Edomite, the

chiefest of the herdmen that belonged to Saul.

21:8 And David said unto Ahimelech, And is there not here under thine

hand spear or sword? for I have neither brought my sword nor my

weapons with me, because the king's business required haste.

21:9 And the priest said, The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom

thou slewest in the valley of Elah, behold, it is here wrapped in a

cloth behind the ephod: if thou wilt take that, take it: for there is

no other save that here. And David said, There is none like that; give

it me.

21:10 And David arose and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to

Achish the king of Gath.

21:11 And the servants of Achish said unto him, Is not this David the

king of the land? did they not sing one to another of him in dances,

saying, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands?

21:12 And David laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid

of Achish the king of Gath.

21:13 And he changed his behaviour before them, and feigned himself

mad in their hands, and scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let

his spittle fall down upon his beard.

21:14 Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, ye see the man is mad:

wherefore then have ye brought him to me? 21:15 Have I need of mad

men, that ye have brought this fellow to play the mad man in my

presence? shall this fellow come into my house? 22:1 David therefore

departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his

brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down thither

to him.

22:2 And every one that was in distress, and every one that was in

debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto

him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about

four hundred men.

22:3 And David went thence to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the

king of Moab, Let my father and my mother, I pray thee, come forth,

and be with you, till I know what God will do for me.

22:4 And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with

him all the while that David was in the hold.

22:5 And the prophet Gad said unto David, Abide not in the hold;

depart, and get thee into the land of Judah. Then David departed, and

came into the forest of Hareth.

22:6 When Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men that were

with him, (now Saul abode in Gibeah under a tree in Ramah, having his

spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing about him;) 22:7

Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, ye

Benjamites; will the son of Jesse give every one of you fields and

vineyards, and make you all captains of thousands, and captains of

hundreds; 22:8 That all of you have conspired against me, and there is

none that sheweth me that my son hath made a league with the son of

Jesse, and there is none of you that is sorry for me, or sheweth unto

me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait,

as at this day? 22:9 Then answered Doeg the Edomite, which was set

over the servants of Saul, and said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to

Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.

22:10 And he enquired of the LORD for him, and gave him victuals, and

gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.

22:11 Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of

Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that were in Nob: and

they came all of them to the king.

22:12 And Saul said, Hear now, thou son of Ahitub. And he answered,

Here I am, my lord.

22:13 And Saul said unto him, Why have ye conspired against me, thou

and the son of Jesse, in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword,

and hast enquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to

lie in wait, as at this day? 22:14 Then Ahimelech answered the king,

and said, And who is so faithful among all thy servants as David,

which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is

honourable in thine house? 22:15 Did I then begin to enquire of God

for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute any thing unto his

servant, nor to all the house of my father: for thy servant knew

nothing of all this, less or more.

22:16 And the king said, Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and

all thy father's house.

22:17 And the king said unto the footmen that stood about him, Turn,

and slay the priests of the LORD: because their hand also is with

David, and because they knew when he fled, and did not shew it to me.

But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to fall

upon the priests of the LORD.

22:18 And the king said to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests.

And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and slew on

that day fourscore and five persons that did wear a linen ephod.

22:19 And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the

sword, both men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and

asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.

22:20 And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named

Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David.

22:21 And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain the LORD's

priests.

22:22 And David said unto Abiathar, I knew it that day, when Doeg the

Edomite was there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned

the death of all the persons of thy father's house.

22:23 Abide thou with me, fear not: for he that seeketh my life

seeketh thy life: but with me thou shalt be in safeguard.

23:1 Then they told David, saying, Behold, the Philistines fight

against Keilah, and they rob the threshingfloors.

23:2 Therefore David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go and

smite these Philistines? And the LORD said unto David, Go, and smite

the Philistines, and save Keilah.

23:3 And David's men said unto him, Behold, we be afraid here in

Judah: how much more then if we come to Keilah against the armies of

the Philistines? 23:4 Then David enquired of the LORD yet again. And

the LORD answered him and said, Arise, go down to Keilah; for I will

deliver the Philistines into thine hand.

23:5 So David and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the

Philistines, and brought away their cattle, and smote them with a

great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

23:6 And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech fled to

David to Keilah, that he came down with an ephod in his hand.

23:7 And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul

said, God hath delivered him into mine hand; for he is shut in, by

entering into a town that hath gates and bars.

23:8 And Saul called all the people together to war, to go down to

Keilah, to besiege David and his men.

23:9 And David knew that Saul secretly practised mischief against him;

and he said to Abiathar the priest, Bring hither the ephod.

23:10 Then said David, O LORD God of Israel, thy servant hath

certainly heard that Saul seeketh to come to Keilah, to destroy the

city for my sake.

23:11 Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul

come down, as thy servant hath heard? O LORD God of Israel, I beseech

thee, tell thy servant. And the LORD said, He will come down.

23:12 Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men

into the hand of Saul? And the LORD said, They will deliver thee up.

23:13 Then David and his men, which were about six hundred, arose and

departed out of Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go. And it

was told Saul that David was escaped from Keilah; and he forbare to go

forth.

23:14 And David abode in the wilderness in strong holds, and remained

in a mountain in the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every

day, but God delivered him not into his hand.

23:15 And David saw that Saul was come out to seek his life: and David

was in the wilderness of Ziph in a wood.

23:16 And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood,

and strengthened his hand in God.

23:17 And he said unto him, Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father

shall not find thee; and thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall

be next unto thee; and that also Saul my father knoweth.

23:18 And they two made a covenant before the LORD: and David abode in

the wood, and Jonathan went to his house.

23:19 Then came up the Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not

David hide himself with us in strong holds in the wood, in the hill of

Hachilah, which is on the south of Jeshimon? 23:20 Now therefore, O

king, come down according to all the desire of thy soul to come down;

and our part shall be to deliver him into the king's hand.

23:21 And Saul said, Blessed be ye of the LORD; for ye have compassion

on me.

23:22 Go, I pray you, prepare yet, and know and see his place where

his haunt is, and who hath seen him there: for it is told me that he

dealeth very subtilly.

23:23 See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking places

where he hideth himself, and come ye again to me with the certainty,

and I will go with you: and it shall come to pass, if he be in the

land, that I will search him out throughout all the thousands of

Judah.

23:24 And they arose, and went to Ziph before Saul: but David and his

men were in the wilderness of Maon, in the plain on the south of

Jeshimon.

23:25 Saul also and his men went to seek him. And they told David;

wherefore he came down into a rock, and abode in the wilderness of

Maon. And when Saul heard that, he pursued after David in the

wilderness of Maon.

23:26 And Saul went on this side of the mountain, and David and his

men on that side of the mountain: and David made haste to get away for

fear of Saul; for Saul and his men compassed David and his men round

about to take them.

23:27 But there came a messenger unto Saul, saying, Haste thee, and

come; for the Philistines have invaded the land.

23:28 Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing after David, and went

against the Philistines: therefore they called that place

Selahammahlekoth.

23:29 And David went up from thence, and dwelt in strong holds at

Engedi.

24:1 And it came to pass, when Saul was returned from following the

Philistines, that it was told him, saying, Behold, David is in the

wilderness of Engedi.

24:2 Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and

went to seek David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats.

24:3 And he came to the sheepcotes by the way, where was a cave; and

Saul went in to cover his feet: and David and his men remained in the

sides of the cave.

24:4 And the men of David said unto him, Behold the day of which the

LORD said unto thee, Behold, I will deliver thine enemy into thine

hand, that thou mayest do to him as it shall seem good unto thee. Then

David arose, and cut off the skirt of Saul's robe privily.

24:5 And it came to pass afterward, that David's heart smote him,

because he had cut off Saul's skirt.

24:6 And he said unto his men, The LORD forbid that I should do this

thing unto my master, the LORD's anointed, to stretch forth mine hand

against him, seeing he is the anointed of the LORD.

24:7 So David stayed his servants with these words, and suffered them

not to rise against Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave, and went

on his way.

24:8 David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried

after Saul, saying, My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him,

David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself.

24:9 And David said to Saul, Wherefore hearest thou men's words,

saying, Behold, David seeketh thy hurt? 24:10 Behold, this day thine

eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine

hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee: but mine eye spared

thee; and I said, I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for

he is the LORD's anointed.

24:11 Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my

hand: for in that I cut off the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee

not, know thou and see that there is neither evil nor transgression in

mine hand, and I have not sinned against thee; yet thou huntest my

soul to take it.

24:12 The LORD judge between me and thee, and the LORD avenge me of

thee: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

24:13 As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wickedness proceedeth from

the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

24:14 After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom dost thou

pursue? after a dead dog, after a flea.

24:15 The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me and thee, and

see, and plead my cause, and deliver me out of thine hand.

24:16 And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking

these words unto Saul, that Saul said, Is this thy voice, my son

David? And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept.

24:17 And he said to David, Thou art more righteous than I: for thou

hast rewarded me good, whereas I have rewarded thee evil.

24:18 And thou hast shewed this day how that thou hast dealt well with

me: forasmuch as when the LORD had delivered me into thine hand, thou

killedst me not.

24:19 For if a man find his enemy, will he let him go well away?

wherefore the LORD reward thee good for that thou hast done unto me

this day.

24:20 And now, behold, I know well that thou shalt surely be king, and

that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in thine hand.

24:21 Swear now therefore unto me by the LORD, that thou wilt not cut

off my seed after me, and that thou wilt not destroy my name out of my

father's house.

24:22 And David sware unto Saul. And Saul went home; but David and his

men gat them up unto the hold.

25:1 And Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together,

and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. And David

arose, and went down to the wilderness of Paran.

25:2 And there was a man in Maon, whose possessions were in Carmel;

and the man was very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a

thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel.

25:3 Now the name of the man was Nabal; and the name of his wife

Abigail: and she was a woman of good understanding, and of a beautiful

countenance: but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he

was of the house of Caleb.

25:4 And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal did shear his sheep.

25:5 And David sent out ten young men, and David said unto the young

men, Get you up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and greet him in my name:

25:6 And thus shall ye say to him that liveth in prosperity, Peace be

both to thee, and peace be to thine house, and peace be unto all that

thou hast.

25:7 And now I have heard that thou hast shearers: now thy shepherds

which were with us, we hurt them not, neither was there ought missing

unto them, all the while they were in Carmel.

25:8 Ask thy young men, and they will shew thee. Wherefore let the

young men find favour in thine eyes: for we come in a good day: give,

I pray thee, whatsoever cometh to thine hand unto thy servants, and to

thy son David.

25:9 And when David's young men came, they spake to Nabal according to

all those words in the name of David, and ceased.

25:10 And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, Who is David? and

who is the son of Jesse? there be many servants now a days that break

away every man from his master.

25:11 Shall I then take my bread, and my water, and my flesh that I

have killed for my shearers, and give it unto men, whom I know not

whence they be? 25:12 So David's young men turned their way, and went

again, and came and told him all those sayings.

25:13 And David said unto his men, Gird ye on every man his sword. And

they girded on every man his sword; and David also girded on his

sword: and there went up after David about four hundred men; and two

hundred abode by the stuff.

25:14 But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying,

Behold, David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our

master; and he railed on them.

25:15 But the men were very good unto us, and we were not hurt,

neither missed we any thing, as long as we were conversant with them,

when we were in the fields: 25:16 They were a wall unto us both by

night and day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep.

25:17 Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for evil is

determined against our master, and against all his household: for he

is such a son of Belial, that a man cannot speak to him.

25:18 Then Abigail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two

bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of

parched corn, and an hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred

cakes of figs, and laid them on asses.

25:19 And she said unto her servants, Go on before me; behold, I come

after you. But she told not her husband Nabal.

25:20 And it was so, as she rode on the ass, that she came down by the

covert on the hill, and, behold, David and his men came down against

her; and she met them.

25:21 Now David had said, Surely in vain have I kept all that this

fellow hath in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that

pertained unto him: and he hath requited me evil for good.

25:22 So and more also do God unto the enemies of David, if I leave of

all that pertain to him by the morning light any that pisseth against

the wall.

25:23 And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and lighted off the ass,

and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground,

25:24 And fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, upon me let

this iniquity be: and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine

audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid.

25:25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this man of Belial, even

Nabal: for as his name is, so is he; Nabal is his name, and folly is

with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom

thou didst send.

25:26 Now therefore, my lord, as the LORD liveth, and as thy soul

liveth, seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from coming to shed

blood, and from avenging thyself with thine own hand, now let thine

enemies, and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal.

25:27 And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my

lord, let it even be given unto the young men that follow my lord.

25:28 I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the

LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord

fighteth the battles of the LORD, and evil hath not been found in thee

all thy days.

25:29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul: but the

soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy

God; and the souls of thine enemies, them shall he sling out, as out

of the middle of a sling.

25:30 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD shall have done to my

lord according to all the good that he hath spoken concerning thee,

and shall have appointed thee ruler over Israel; 25:31 That this shall

be no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that

thou hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself:

but when the LORD shall have dealt well with my lord, then remember

thine handmaid.

25:32 And David said to Abigail, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel,

which sent thee this day to meet me: 25:33 And blessed be thy advice,

and blessed be thou, which hast kept me this day from coming to shed

blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.

25:34 For in very deed, as the LORD God of Israel liveth, which hath

kept me back from hurting thee, except thou hadst hasted and come to

meet me, surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning

light any that pisseth against the wall.

25:35 So David received of her hand that which she had brought him,

and said unto her, Go up in peace to thine house; see, I have

hearkened to thy voice, and have accepted thy person.

25:36 And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he held a feast in his

house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart was merry within

him, for he was very drunken: wherefore she told him nothing, less or

more, until the morning light.

25:37 But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out

of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that his heart died

within him, and he became as a stone.

25:38 And it came to pass about ten days after, that the LORD smote

Nabal, that he died.

25:39 And when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, Blessed be

the LORD, that hath pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of

Nabal, and hath kept his servant from evil: for the LORD hath returned

the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head. And David sent and communed

with Abigail, to take her to him to wife.

25:40 And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel,

they spake unto her, saying, David sent us unto thee, to take thee to

him to wife.

25:41 And she arose, and bowed herself on her face to the earth, and

said, Behold, let thine handmaid be a servant to wash the feet of the

servants of my lord.

25:42 And Abigail hasted, and arose and rode upon an ass, with five

damsels of hers that went after her; and she went after the messengers

of David, and became his wife.

25:43 David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel; and they were also both of

them his wives.

25:44 But Saul had given Michal his daughter, David's wife, to Phalti

the son of Laish, which was of Gallim.

26:1 And the Ziphites came unto Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not David

hide himself in the hill of Hachilah, which is before Jeshimon? 26:2

Then Saul arose, and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, having three

thousand chosen men of Israel with him, to seek David in the

wilderness of Ziph.

26:3 And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which is before

Jeshimon, by the way. But David abode in the wilderness, and he saw

that Saul came after him into the wilderness.

26:4 David therefore sent out spies, and understood that Saul was come

in very deed.

26:5 And David arose, and came to the place where Saul had pitched:

and David beheld the place where Saul lay, and Abner the son of Ner,

the captain of his host: and Saul lay in the trench, and the people

pitched round about him.

26:6 Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to

Abishai the son of Zeruiah, brother to Joab, saying, Who will go down

with me to Saul to the camp? And Abishai said, I will go down with

thee.

26:7 So David and Abishai came to the people by night: and, behold,

Saul lay sleeping within the trench, and his spear stuck in the ground

at his bolster: but Abner and the people lay round about him.

26:8 Then said Abishai to David, God hath delivered thine enemy into

thine hand this day: now therefore let me smite him, I pray thee, with

the spear even to the earth at once, and I will not smite him the

second time.

26:9 And David said to Abishai, Destroy him not: for who can stretch

forth his hand against the LORD's anointed, and be guiltless? 26:10

David said furthermore, As the LORD liveth, the LORD shall smite him;

or his day shall come to die; or he shall descend into battle, and

perish.

26:11 The LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against

the LORD's anointed: but, I pray thee, take thou now the spear that is

at his bolster, and the cruse of water, and let us go.

26:12 So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's

bolster; and they gat them away, and no man saw it, nor knew it,

neither awaked: for they were all asleep; because a deep sleep from

the LORD was fallen upon them.

26:13 Then David went over to the other side, and stood on the top of

an hill afar off; a great space being between them: 26:14 And David

cried to the people, and to Abner the son of Ner, saying, Answerest

thou not, Abner? Then Abner answered and said, Who art thou that

criest to the king? 26:15 And David said to Abner, Art not thou a

valiant man? and who is like to thee in Israel? wherefore then hast

thou not kept thy lord the king? for there came one of the people in

to destroy the king thy lord.

26:16 This thing is not good that thou hast done. As the LORD liveth,

ye are worthy to die, because ye have not kept your master, the LORD's

anointed.

And now see where the king's spear is, and the cruse of water that was

at his bolster.

26:17 And Saul knew David's voice, and said, Is this thy voice, my son

David? And David said, It is my voice, my lord, O king.

26:18 And he said, Wherefore doth my lord thus pursue after his

servant? for what have I done? or what evil is in mine hand? 26:19

Now therefore, I pray thee, let my lord the king hear the words of his

servant. If the LORD have stirred thee up against me, let him accept

an offering: but if they be the children of men, cursed be they before

the LORD; for they have driven me out this day from abiding in the

inheritance of the LORD, saying, Go, serve other gods.

26:20 Now therefore, let not my blood fall to the earth before the

face of the LORD: for the king of Israel is come out to seek a flea,

as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountains.

26:21 Then said Saul, I have sinned: return, my son David: for I will

no more do thee harm, because my soul was precious in thine eyes this

day: behold, I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.

26:22 And David answered and said, Behold the king's spear! and let

one of the young men come over and fetch it.

26:23 The LORD render to every man his righteousness and his

faithfulness; for the LORD delivered thee into my hand to day, but I

would not stretch forth mine hand against the LORD's anointed.

26:24 And, behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes,

so let my life be much set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let him

deliver me out of all tribulation.

26:25 Then Saul said to David, Blessed be thou, my son David: thou

shalt both do great things, and also shalt still prevail. So David

went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

27:1 And David said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by the

hand of Saul: there is nothing better for me than that I should

speedily escape into the land of the Philistines; and Saul shall

despair of me, to seek me any more in any coast of Israel: so shall I

escape out of his hand.

27:2 And David arose, and he passed over with the six hundred men that

were with him unto Achish, the son of Maoch, king of Gath.

27:3 And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man

with his household, even David with his two wives, Ahinoam the

Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess, Nabal's wife.

27:4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought

no more again for him.

27:5 And David said unto Achish, If I have now found grace in thine

eyes, let them give me a place in some town in the country, that I may

dwell there: for why should thy servant dwell in the royal city with

thee? 27:6 Then Achish gave him Ziklag that day: wherefore Ziklag

pertaineth unto the kings of Judah unto this day.

27:7 And the time that David dwelt in the country of the Philistines

was a full year and four months.

27:8 And David and his men went up, and invaded the Geshurites, and

the Gezrites, and the Amalekites: for those nations were of old the

inhabitants of the land, as thou goest to Shur, even unto the land of

Egypt.

27:9 And David smote the land, and left neither man nor woman alive,

and took away the sheep, and the oxen, and the asses, and the camels,

and the apparel, and returned, and came to Achish.

27:10 And Achish said, Whither have ye made a road to day? And David

said, Against the south of Judah, and against the south of the

Jerahmeelites, and against the south of the Kenites.

27:11 And David saved neither man nor woman alive, to bring tidings to

Gath, saying, Lest they should tell on us, saying, So did David, and

so will be his manner all the while he dwelleth in the country of the

Philistines.

27:12 And Achish believed David, saying, He hath made his people

Israel utterly to abhor him; therefore he shall be my servant for

ever.

28:1 And it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered

their armies together for warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish

said unto David, Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt go out with me

to battle, thou and thy men.

28:2 And David said to Achish, Surely thou shalt know what thy servant

can do. And Achish said to David, Therefore will I make thee keeper of

mine head for ever.

28:3 Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried

him in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that

had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land.

28:4 And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and

pitched in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they

pitched in Gilboa.

28:5 And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and

his heart greatly trembled.

28:6 And when Saul enquired of the LORD, the LORD answered him not,

neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.

28:7 Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a

familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his

servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar

spirit at Endor.

28:8 And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he

went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and

he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring

me him up, whom I shall name unto thee.

28:9 And the woman said unto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath

done, how he hath cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the

wizards, out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my

life, to cause me to die? 28:10 And Saul sware to her by the LORD,

saying, As the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee

for this thing.

28:11 Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he

said, Bring me up Samuel.

28:12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and

the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou

art Saul.

28:13 And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou?

And the woman said unto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth.

28:14 And he said unto her, What form is he of? And she said, An old

man cometh up; and he is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived

that it was Samuel, and he stooped with his face to the ground, and

bowed himself.

28:15 And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring

me up? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines

make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no

more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called

thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do.

28:16 Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the

LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy? 28:17 And the

LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the

kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to

David: 28:18 Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor

executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done

this thing unto thee this day.

28:19 Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the

hand of the Philistines: and to morrow shalt thou and thy sons be with

me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of

the Philistines.

28:20 Then Saul fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore

afraid, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in

him; for he had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night.

28:21 And the woman came unto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled,

and said unto him, Behold, thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I

have put my life in my hand, and have hearkened unto thy words which

thou spakest unto me.

28:22 Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also unto the voice of

thine handmaid, and let me set a morsel of bread before thee; and eat,

that thou mayest have strength, when thou goest on thy way.

28:23 But he refused, and said, I will not eat. But his servants,

together with the woman, compelled him; and he hearkened unto their

voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat upon the bed.

28:24 And the woman had a fat calf in the house; and she hasted, and

killed it, and took flour, and kneaded it, and did bake unleavened

bread thereof: 28:25 And she brought it before Saul, and before his

servants; and they did eat. Then they rose up, and went away that

night.

29:1 Now the Philistines gathered together all their armies to Aphek:

and the Israelites pitched by a fountain which is in Jezreel.

29:2 And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by

thousands: but David and his men passed on in the rereward with

Achish.

29:3 Then said the princes of the Philistines, What do these Hebrews

here? And Achish said unto the princes of the Philistines, Is not

this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel, which hath been

with me these days, or these years, and I have found no fault in him

since he fell unto me unto this day? 29:4 And the princes of the

Philistines were wroth with him; and the princes of the Philistines

said unto him, Make this fellow return, that he may go again to his

place which thou hast appointed him, and let him not go down with us

to battle, lest in the battle he be an adversary to us: for wherewith

should he reconcile himself unto his master? should it not be with the

heads of these men? 29:5 Is not this David, of whom they sang one to

another in dances, saying, Saul slew his thousands, and David his ten

thousands? 29:6 Then Achish called David, and said unto him, Surely,

as the LORD liveth, thou hast been upright, and thy going out and thy

coming in with me in the host is good in my sight: for I have not

found evil in thee since the day of thy coming unto me unto this day:

nevertheless the lords favour thee not.

29:7 Wherefore now return, and go in peace, that thou displease not

the lords of the Philistines.

29:8 And David said unto Achish, But what have I done? and what hast

thou found in thy servant so long as I have been with thee unto this

day, that I may not go fight against the enemies of my lord the king?

29:9 And Achish answered and said to David, I know that thou art good

in my sight, as an angel of God: notwithstanding the princes of the

Philistines have said, He shall not go up with us to the battle.

29:10 Wherefore now rise up early in the morning with thy master's

servants that are come with thee: and as soon as ye be up early in the

morning, and have light, depart.

29:11 So David and his men rose up early to depart in the morning, to

return into the land of the Philistines. And the Philistines went up

to Jezreel.

30:1 And it came to pass, when David and his men were come to Ziklag

on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the south, and

Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag, and burned it with fire; 30:2 And had

taken the women captives, that were therein: they slew not any, either

great or small, but carried them away, and went on their way.

30:3 So David and his men came to the city, and, behold, it was burned

with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were

taken captives.

30:4 Then David and the people that were with him lifted up their

voice and wept, until they had no more power to weep.

30:5 And David's two wives were taken captives, Ahinoam the

Jezreelitess, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite.

30:6 And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning

him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his

sons and for his daughters: but David encouraged himself in the LORD

his God.

30:7 And David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, I pray

thee, bring me hither the ephod. And Abiathar brought thither the

ephod to David.

30:8 And David enquired at the LORD, saying, Shall I pursue after this

troop? shall I overtake them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou

shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all.

30:9 So David went, he and the six hundred men that were with him, and

came to the brook Besor, where those that were left behind stayed.

30:10 But David pursued, he and four hundred men: for two hundred

abode behind, which were so faint that they could not go over the

brook Besor.

30:11 And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to

David, and gave him bread, and he did eat; and they made him drink

water; 30:12 And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two

clusters of raisins: and when he had eaten, his spirit came again to

him: for he had eaten no bread, nor drunk any water, three days and

three nights.

30:13 And David said unto him, To whom belongest thou? and whence art

thou? And he said, I am a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite;

and my master left me, because three days agone I fell sick.

30:14 We made an invasion upon the south of the Cherethites, and upon

the coast which belongeth to Judah, and upon the south of Caleb; and

we burned Ziklag with fire.

30:15 And David said to him, Canst thou bring me down to this company?

And he said, Swear unto me by God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor

deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will bring thee down to

this company.

30:16 And when he had brought him down, behold, they were spread

abroad upon all the earth, eating and drinking, and dancing, because

of all the great spoil that they had taken out of the land of the

Philistines, and out of the land of Judah.

30:17 And David smote them from the twilight even unto the evening of

the next day: and there escaped not a man of them, save four hundred

young men, which rode upon camels, and fled.

30:18 And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away:

and David rescued his two wives.

30:19 And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great,

neither sons nor daughters, neither spoil, nor any thing that they had

taken to them: David recovered all.

30:20 And David took all the flocks and the herds, which they drave

before those other cattle, and said, This is David's spoil.

30:21 And David came to the two hundred men, which were so faint that

they could not follow David, whom they had made also to abide at the

brook Besor: and they went forth to meet David, and to meet the people

that were with him: and when David came near to the people, he saluted

them.

30:22 Then answered all the wicked men and men of Belial, of those

that went with David, and said, Because they went not with us, we will

not give them ought of the spoil that we have recovered, save to every

man his wife and his children, that they may lead them away, and

depart.

30:23 Then said David, Ye shall not do so, my brethren, with that

which the LORD hath given us, who hath preserved us, and delivered the

company that came against us into our hand.

30:24 For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but as his part is

that goeth down to the battle, so shall his part be that tarrieth by

the stuff: they shall part alike.

30:25 And it was so from that day forward, that he made it a statute

and an ordinance for Israel unto this day.

30:26 And when David came to Ziklag, he sent of the spoil unto the

elders of Judah, even to his friends, saying, Behold a present for you

of the spoil of the enemies of the LORD; 30:27 To them which were in

Bethel, and to them which were in south Ramoth, and to them which were

in Jattir, 30:28 And to them which were in Aroer, and to them which

were in Siphmoth, and to them which were in Eshtemoa, 30:29 And to

them which were in Rachal, and to them which were in the cities of the

Jerahmeelites, and to them which were in the cities of the Kenites,

30:30 And to them which were in Hormah, and to them which were in

Chorashan, and to them which were in Athach, 30:31 And to them which

were in Hebron, and to all the places where David himself and his men

were wont to haunt.

31:1 Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel

fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

31:2 And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons;

and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Melchishua,

Saul's sons.

31:3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him;

and he was sore wounded of the archers.

31:4 Then said Saul unto his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust

me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me

through, and abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore

afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.

31:5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell

likewise upon his sword, and died with him.

31:6 So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, and all

his men, that same day together.

31:7 And when the men of Israel that were on the other side of the

valley, and they that were on the other side Jordan, saw that the men

of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook the

cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

31:8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to

strip the slain, that they found Saul and his three sons fallen in

mount Gilboa.

31:9 And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armour, and sent

into the land of the Philistines round about, to publish it in the

house of their idols, and among the people.

31:10 And they put his armour in the house of Ashtaroth: and they

fastened his body to the wall of Bethshan.

31:11 And when the inhabitants of Jabeshgilead heard of that which the

Philistines had done to Saul; 31:12 All the valiant men arose, and

went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons

from the wall of Bethshan, and came to Jabesh, and burnt them there.

31:13 And they took their bones, and buried them under a tree at

Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

The Second Book of Samuel

Otherwise Called:

The Second Book of the Kings

1:1 Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was

returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two

days in Ziklag; 1:2 It came even to pass on the third day, that,

behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul with his clothes rent,

and earth upon his head: and so it was, when he came to David, that he

fell to the earth, and did obeisance.

1:3 And David said unto him, From whence comest thou? And he said unto

him, Out of the camp of Israel am I escaped.

1:4 And David said unto him, How went the matter? I pray thee, tell

me.

And he answered, That the people are fled from the battle, and many of

the people also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are

dead also.

1:5 And David said unto the young man that told him, How knowest thou

that Saul and Jonathan his son be dead? 1:6 And the young man that

told him said, As I happened by chance upon mount Gilboa, behold, Saul

leaned upon his spear; and, lo, the chariots and horsemen followed

hard after him.

1:7 And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And

I answered, Here am I.

1:8 And he said unto me, Who art thou? And I answered him, I am an

Amalekite.

1:9 He said unto me again, Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and slay me:

for anguish is come upon me, because my life is yet whole in me.

1:10 So I stood upon him, and slew him, because I was sure that he

could not live after that he was fallen: and I took the crown that was

upon his head, and the bracelet that was on his arm, and have brought

them hither unto my lord.

1:11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise

all the men that were with him: 1:12 And they mourned, and wept, and

fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the

people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were

fallen by the sword.

1:13 And David said unto the young man that told him, Whence art thou?

And he answered, I am the son of a stranger, an Amalekite.

1:14 And David said unto him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch

forth thine hand to destroy the LORD's anointed? 1:15 And David

called one of the young men, and said, Go near, and fall upon him. And

he smote him that he died.

1:16 And David said unto him, Thy blood be upon thy head; for thy

mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I have slain the LORD's

anointed.

1:17 And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over

Jonathan his son: 1:18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah

the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)

1:19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the

mighty fallen! 1:20 Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the

streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice,

lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.

1:21 Ye mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be

rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the

mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not

been anointed with oil.

1:22 From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow

of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

1:23 Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in

their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they

were stronger than lions.

1:24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in

scarlet, with other delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your

apparel.

1:25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan,

thou wast slain in thine high places.

1:26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast

thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of

women.

1:27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished! 2:1

And it came to pass after this, that David enquired of the LORD,

saying, Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And the LORD

said unto him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And he

said, Unto Hebron.

2:2 So David went up thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the

Jezreelitess, and Abigail Nabal's wife the Carmelite.

2:3 And his men that were with him did David bring up, every man with

his household: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.

2:4 And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over

the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, That the men of

Jabeshgilead were they that buried Saul.

2:5 And David sent messengers unto the men of Jabeshgilead, and said

unto them, Blessed be ye of the LORD, that ye have shewed this

kindness unto your lord, even unto Saul, and have buried him.

2:6 And now the LORD shew kindness and truth unto you: and I also will

requite you this kindness, because ye have done this thing.

2:7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and be ye valiant:

for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have

anointed me king over them.

2:8 But Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, took Ishbosheth

the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim; 2:9 And made him

king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over

Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.

2:10 Ishbosheth Saul's son was forty years old when he began to reign

over Israel, and reigned two years. But the house of Judah followed

David.

2:11 And the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of

Judah was seven years and six months.

2:12 And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ishbosheth the son

of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.

2:13 And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out,

and met together by the pool of Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on

the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool.

2:14 And Abner said to Joab, Let the young men now arise, and play

before us. And Joab said, Let them arise.

2:15 Then there arose and went over by number twelve of Benjamin,

which pertained to Ishbosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the

servants of David.

2:16 And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and thrust his

sword in his fellow's side; so they fell down together: wherefore that

place was called Helkathhazzurim, which is in Gibeon.

2:17 And there was a very sore battle that day; and Abner was beaten,

and the men of Israel, before the servants of David.

2:18 And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai,

and Asahel: and Asahel was as light of foot as a wild roe.

2:19 And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the

right hand nor to the left from following Abner.

2:20 Then Abner looked behind him, and said, Art thou Asahel? And he

answered, I am.

2:21 And Abner said to him, Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to

thy left, and lay thee hold on one of the young men, and take thee his

armour.

But Asahel would not turn aside from following of him.

2:22 And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following

me: wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I

hold up my face to Joab thy brother? 2:23 Howbeit he refused to turn

aside: wherefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear smote him

under the fifth rib, that the spear came out behind him; and he fell

down there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, that as

many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died stood still.

2:24 Joab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down

when they were come to the hill of Ammah, that lieth before Giah by

the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.

2:25 And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after

Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of an hill.

2:26 Then Abner called to Joab, and said, Shall the sword devour for

ever? knowest thou not that it will be bitterness in the latter end?

how long shall it be then, ere thou bid the people return from

following their brethren? 2:27 And Joab said, As God liveth, unless

thou hadst spoken, surely then in the morning the people had gone up

every one from following his brother.

2:28 So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and

pursued after Israel no more, neither fought they any more.

2:29 And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain,

and passed over Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to

Mahanaim.

2:30 And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered

all the people together, there lacked of David's servants nineteen men

and Asahel.

2:31 But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's

men, so that three hundred and threescore men died.

2:32 And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his

father, which was in Bethlehem. And Joab and his men went all night,

and they came to Hebron at break of day.

3:1 Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of

David: but David waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul

waxed weaker and weaker.

3:2 And unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his firstborn was

Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; 3:3 And his second, Chileab, of

Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the

son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur; 3:4 And the

fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son

of Abital; 3:5 And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah David's wife. These

were born to David in Hebron.

3:6 And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul

and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong for the house

of Saul.

3:7 And Saul had a concubine, whose name was Rizpah, the daughter of

Aiah: and Ishbosheth said to Abner, Wherefore hast thou gone in unto

my father's concubine? 3:8 Then was Abner very wroth for the words of

Ishbosheth, and said, Am I a dog's head, which against Judah do shew

kindness this day unto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren,

and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of

David, that thou chargest me to day with a fault concerning this

woman? 3:9 So do God to Abner, and more also, except, as the LORD

hath sworn to David, even so I do to him; 3:10 To translate the

kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over

Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beersheba.

3:11 And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared

him.

3:12 And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose

is the land? saying also, Make thy league with me, and, behold, my

hand shall be with thee, to bring about all Israel unto thee.

3:13 And he said, Well; I will make a league with thee: but one thing

I require of thee, that is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou

first bring Michal Saul's daughter, when thou comest to see my face.

3:14 And David sent messengers to Ishbosheth Saul's son, saying,

Deliver me my wife Michal, which I espoused to me for an hundred

foreskins of the Philistines.

3:15 And Ishbosheth sent, and took her from her husband, even from

Phaltiel the son of Laish.

3:16 And her husband went with her along weeping behind her to

Bahurim.

Then said Abner unto him, Go, return. And he returned.

3:17 And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye

sought for David in times past to be king over you: 3:18 Now then do

it: for the LORD hath spoken of David, saying, By the hand of my

servant David I will save my people Israel out of the hand of the

Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.

3:19 And Abner also spake in the ears of Benjamin: and Abner went also

to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to

Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Benjamin.

3:20 So Abner came to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him. And

David made Abner and the men that were with him a feast.

3:21 And Abner said unto David, I will arise and go, and will gather

all Israel unto my lord the king, that they may make a league with

thee, and that thou mayest reign over all that thine heart desireth.

And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace.

3:22 And, behold, the servants of David and Joab came from pursuing a

troop, and brought in a great spoil with them: but Abner was not with

David in Hebron; for he had sent him away, and he was gone in peace.

3:23 When Joab and all the host that was with him were come, they told

Joab, saying, Abner the son of Ner came to the king, and he hath sent

him away, and he is gone in peace.

3:24 Then Joab came to the king, and said, What hast thou done?

behold, Abner came unto thee; why is it that thou hast sent him away,

and he is quite gone? 3:25 Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that he

came to deceive thee, and to know thy going out and thy coming in, and

to know all that thou doest.

3:26 And when Joab was come out from David, he sent messengers after

Abner, which brought him again from the well of Sirah: but David knew

it not.

3:27 And when Abner was returned to Hebron, Joab took him aside in the

gate to speak with him quietly, and smote him there under the fifth

rib, that he died, for the blood of Asahel his brother.

3:28 And afterward when David heard it, he said, I and my kingdom are

guiltless before the LORD for ever from the blood of Abner the son of

Ner: 3:29 Let it rest on the head of Joab, and on all his father's

house; and let there not fail from the house of Joab one that hath an

issue, or that is a leper, or that leaneth on a staff, or that falleth

on the sword, or that lacketh bread.

3:30 So Joab, and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because he had slain

their brother Asahel at Gibeon in the battle.

3:31 And David said to Joab, and to all the people that were with him,

Rend your clothes, and gird you with sackcloth, and mourn before

Abner. And king David himself followed the bier.

3:32 And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his

voice, and wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept.

3:33 And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Died Abner as a fool

dieth? 3:34 Thy hands were not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters:

as a man falleth before wicked men, so fellest thou. And all the

people wept again over him.

3:35 And when all the people came to cause David to eat meat while it

was yet day, David sware, saying, So do God to me, and more also, if I

taste bread, or ought else, till the sun be down.

3:36 And all the people took notice of it, and it pleased them: as

whatsoever the king did pleased all the people.

3:37 For all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was

not of the king to slay Abner the son of Ner.

3:38 And the king said unto his servants, Know ye not that there is a

prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel? 3:39 And I am this

day weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah be

too hard for me: the LORD shall reward the doer of evil according to

his wickedness.

4:1 And when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands

were feeble, and all the Israelites were troubled.

4:2 And Saul's son had two men that were captains of bands: the name

of the one was Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of

Rimmon a Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin: (for Beeroth also

was reckoned to Benjamin.

4:3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there

until this day.) 4:4 And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son that was

lame of his feet. He was five years old when the tidings came of Saul

and Jonathan out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and fled: and

it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became

lame. And his name was Mephibosheth.

4:5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went,

and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ishbosheth, who lay

on a bed at noon.

4:6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, as though they

would have fetched wheat; and they smote him under the fifth rib: and

Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.

4:7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his

bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and

took his head, and gat them away through the plain all night.

4:8 And they brought the head of Ishbosheth unto David to Hebron, and

said to the king, Behold the head of Ishbosheth the son of Saul thine

enemy, which sought thy life; and the LORD hath avenged my lord the

king this day of Saul, and of his seed.

4:9 And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of

Rimmon the Beerothite, and said unto them, As the LORD liveth, who

hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity, 4:10 When one told me,

saying, Behold, Saul is dead, thinking to have brought good tidings, I

took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, who thought that I would

have given him a reward for his tidings: 4:11 How much more, when

wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his

bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and

take you away from the earth? 4:12 And David commanded his young men,

and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged

them up over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ishbosheth,

and buried it in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

5:1 Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and

spake, saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

5:2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that

leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou

shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.

5:3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king

David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they

anointed David king over Israel.

5:4 David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned

forty years.

5:5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in

Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.

5:6 And the king and his men went to Jerusalem unto the Jebusites, the

inhabitants of the land: which spake unto David, saying, Except thou

take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither:

thinking, David cannot come in hither.

5:7 Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same is the

city of David.

5:8 And David said on that day, Whosoever getteth up to the gutter,

and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind that are hated

of David's soul, he shall be chief and captain. Wherefore they said,

The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.

5:9 So David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David. And

David built round about from Millo and inward.

5:10 And David went on, and grew great, and the LORD God of hosts was

with him.

5:11 And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees,

and carpenters, and masons: and they built David an house.

5:12 And David perceived that the LORD had established him king over

Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's

sake.

5:13 And David took him more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem,

after he was come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters

born to David.

5:14 And these be the names of those that were born unto him in

Jerusalem; Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, 5:15 Ibhar

also, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia, 5:16 And Elishama, and

Eliada, and Eliphalet.

5:17 But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king

over Israel, all the Philistines came up to seek David; and David

heard of it, and went down to the hold.

5:18 The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of

Rephaim.

5:19 And David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up to the

Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said

unto David, Go up: for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into

thine hand.

5:20 And David came to Baalperazim, and David smote them there, and

said, The LORD hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the

breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place

Baalperazim.

5:21 And there they left their images, and David and his men burned

them.

5:22 And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in

the valley of Rephaim.

5:23 And when David enquired of the LORD, he said, Thou shalt not go

up; but fetch a compass behind them, and come upon them over against

the mulberry trees.

5:24 And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops

of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then

shall the LORD go out before thee, to smite the host of the

Philistines.

5:25 And David did so, as the LORD had commanded him; and smote the

Philistines from Geba until thou come to Gazer.

6:1 Again, David gathered together all the chosen men of Israel,

thirty thousand.

6:2 And David arose, and went with all the people that were with him

from Baale of Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of God, whose

name is called by the name of the LORD of hosts that dwelleth between

the cherubims.

6:3 And they set the ark of God upon a new cart, and brought it out of

the house of Abinadab that was in Gibeah: and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons

of Abinadab, drave the new cart.

6:4 And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab which was at

Gibeah, accompanying the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark.

6:5 And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD on

all manner of instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on

psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

6:6 And when they came to Nachon's threshingfloor, Uzzah put forth his

hand to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook it.

6:7 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah; and God smote

him there for his error; and there he died by the ark of God.

6:8 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon

Uzzah: and he called the name of the place Perezuzzah to this day.

6:9 And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and said, How shall the

ark of the LORD come to me? 6:10 So David would not remove the ark of

the LORD unto him into the city of David: but David carried it aside

into the house of Obededom the Gittite.

6:11 And the ark of the LORD continued in the house of Obededom the

Gittite three months: and the LORD blessed Obededom, and all his

household.

6:12 And it was told king David, saying, The LORD hath blessed the

house of Obededom, and all that pertaineth unto him, because of the

ark of God. So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house

of Obededom into the city of David with gladness.

6:13 And it was so, that when they that bare the ark of the LORD had

gone six paces, he sacrificed oxen and fatlings.

6:14 And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David

was girded with a linen ephod.

6:15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the

LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

6:16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal

Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping

and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.

6:17 And they brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in his place,

in the midst of the tabernacle that David had pitched for it: and

David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.

6:18 And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt offerings

and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of

hosts.

6:19 And he dealt among all the people, even among the whole multitude

of Israel, as well to the women as men, to every one a cake of bread,

and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine. So all the people

departed every one to his house.

6:20 Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the

daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was

the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of

the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly

uncovereth himself! 6:21 And David said unto Michal, It was before

the LORD, which chose me before thy father, and before all his house,

to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel:

therefore will I play before the LORD.

6:22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine

own sight: and of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them

shall I be had in honour.

6:23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day

of her death.

7:1 And it came to pass, when the king sat in his house, and the LORD

had given him rest round about from all his enemies; 7:2 That the king

said unto Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in an house of cedar,

but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains.

7:3 And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that is in thine heart;

for the LORD is with thee.

7:4 And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came

unto Nathan, saying, 7:5 Go and tell my servant David, Thus saith the

LORD, Shalt thou build me an house for me to dwell in? 7:6 Whereas I

have not dwelt in any house since the time that I brought up the

children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in

a tent and in a tabernacle.

7:7 In all the places wherein I have walked with all the children of

Israel spake I a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I

commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, Why build ye not me an

house of cedar? 7:8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant

David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote,

from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel: 7:9

And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all

thine enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like

unto the name of the great men that are in the earth.

7:10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will

plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no

more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more,

as beforetime, 7:11 And as since the time that I commanded judges to

be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine

enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.

7:12 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy

fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of

thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

7:13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the

throne of his kingdom for ever.

7:14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit

iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes

of the children of men: 7:15 But my mercy shall not depart away from

him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

7:16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever

before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

7:17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision,

so did Nathan speak unto David.

7:18 Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said,

Who am I, O Lord GOD? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me

hitherto? 7:19 And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord

GOD; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great

while to come. And is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD? 7:20 And

what can David say more unto thee? for thou, Lord GOD, knowest thy

servant.

7:21 For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou

done all these great things, to make thy servant know them.

7:22 Wherefore thou art great, O LORD God: for there is none like

thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we

have heard with our ears.

7:23 And what one nation in the earth is like thy people, even like

Israel, whom God went to redeem for a people to himself, and to make

him a name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for thy land,

before thy people, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, from the

nations and their gods? 7:24 For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy

people Israel to be a people unto thee for ever: and thou, LORD, art

become their God.

7:25 And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning

thy servant, and concerning his house, establish it for ever, and do

as thou hast said.

7:26 And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts

is the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be

established before thee.

7:27 For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, hast revealed to thy

servant, saying, I will build thee an house: therefore hath thy

servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto thee.

7:28 And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and thy words be true,

and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant: 7:29 Therefore

now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may

continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken it:

and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed for

ever.

8:1 And after this it came to pass that David smote the Philistines,

and subdued them: and David took Methegammah out of the hand of the

Philistines.

8:2 And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them

down to the ground; even with two lines measured he to put to death,

and with one full line to keep alive. And so the Moabites became

David's servants, and brought gifts.

8:3 David smote also Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he

went to recover his border at the river Euphrates.

8:4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and seven hundred

horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David houghed all the

chariot horses, but reserved of them for an hundred chariots.

8:5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour Hadadezer king of

Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

8:6 Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus: and the Syrians

became servants to David, and brought gifts. And the LORD preserved

David whithersoever he went.

8:7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of

Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

8:8 And from Betah, and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David

took exceeding much brass.

8:9 When Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host

of Hadadezer, 8:10 Then Toi sent Joram his son unto king David, to

salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer,

and smitten him: for Hadadezer had wars with Toi. And Joram brought

with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass:

8:11 Which also king David did dedicate unto the LORD, with the silver

and gold that he had dedicated of all nations which he subdued; 8:12

Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the

Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer, son of

Rehob, king of Zobah.

8:13 And David gat him a name when he returned from smiting of the

Syrians in the valley of salt, being eighteen thousand men.

8:14 And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he

garrisons, and all they of Edom became David's servants. And the LORD

preserved David whithersoever he went.

8:15 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment

and justice unto all his people.

8:16 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat

the son of Ahilud was recorder; 8:17 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and

Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, were the priests; and Seraiah was the

scribe; 8:18 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over both the

Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were chief rulers.

9:1 And David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of

Saul, that I may shew him kindness for Jonathan's sake? 9:2 And there

was of the house of Saul a servant whose name was Ziba. And when they

had called him unto David, the king said unto him, Art thou Ziba? And

he said, Thy servant is he.

9:3 And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that

I may shew the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king,

Jonathan hath yet a son, which is lame on his feet.

9:4 And the king said unto him, Where is he? And Ziba said unto the

king, Behold, he is in the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in

Lodebar.

9:5 Then king David sent, and fetched him out of the house of Machir,

the son of Ammiel, from Lodebar.

9:6 Now when Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, was

come unto David, he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David

said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold thy servant! 9:7 And

David said unto him, Fear not: for I will surely shew thee kindness

for Jonathan thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of

Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually.

9:8 And he bowed himself, and said, What is thy servant, that thou

shouldest look upon such a dead dog as I am? 9:9 Then the king called

to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, I have given unto thy

master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house.

9:10 Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the

land for him, and thou shalt bring in the fruits, that thy master's

son may have food to eat: but Mephibosheth thy master's son shall eat

bread alway at my table. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty

servants.

9:11 Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the

king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for

Mephibosheth, said the king, he shall eat at my table, as one of the

king's sons.

9:12 And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Micha. And all

that dwelt in the house of Ziba were servants unto Mephibosheth.

9:13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually at

the king's table; and was lame on both his feet.

10:1 And it came to pass after this, that the king of the children of

Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead.

10:2 Then said David, I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of

Nahash, as his father shewed kindness unto me. And David sent to

comfort him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's

servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.

10:3 And the princes of the children of Ammon said unto Hanun their

lord, Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath

sent comforters unto thee? hath not David rather sent his servants

unto thee, to search the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it?

10:4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one

half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, even

to their buttocks, and sent them away.

10:5 When they told it unto David, he sent to meet them, because the

men were greatly ashamed: and the king said, Tarry at Jericho until

your beards be grown, and then return.

10:6 And when the children of Ammon saw that they stank before David,

the children of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Bethrehob and the

Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a

thousand men, and of Ishtob twelve thousand men.

10:7 And when David heard of it, he sent Joab, and all the host of the

mighty men.

10:8 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array

at the entering in of the gate: and the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob,

and Ishtob, and Maacah, were by themselves in the field.

10:9 When Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before

and behind, he chose of all the choice men of Israel, and put them in

array against the Syrians: 10:10 And the rest of the people he

delivered into the hand of Abishai his brother, that he might put them

in array against the children of Ammon.

10:11 And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou

shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee,

then I will come and help thee.

10:12 Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and

for the cities of our God: and the LORD do that which seemeth him

good.

10:13 And Joab drew nigh, and the people that were with him, unto the

battle against the Syrians: and they fled before him.

10:14 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled,

then fled they also before Abishai, and entered into the city. So Joab

returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Jerusalem.

10:15 And when the Syrians saw that they were smitten before Israel,

they gathered themselves together.

10:16 And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that were beyond

the river: and they came to Helam; and Shobach the captain of the host

of Hadarezer went before them.

10:17 And when it was told David, he gathered all Israel together, and

passed over Jordan, and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves

in array against David, and fought with him.

10:18 And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew the men of

seven hundred chariots of the Syrians, and forty thousand horsemen,

and smote Shobach the captain of their host, who died there.

10:19 And when all the kings that were servants to Hadarezer saw that

they were smitten before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and

served them. So the Syrians feared to help the children of Ammon any

more.

11:1 And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when

kings go forth to battle, that David sent Joab, and his servants with

him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and

besieged Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.

11:2 And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off

his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the

roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful

to look upon.

11:3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, Is not

this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?

11:4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto

him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness:

and she returned unto her house.

11:5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am

with child.

11:6 And David sent to Joab, saying, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And

Joab sent Uriah to David.

11:7 And when Uriah was come unto him, David demanded of him how Joab

did, and how the people did, and how the war prospered.

11:8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet.

And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there followed him a

mess of meat from the king.

11:9 But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the

servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.

11:10 And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto

his house, David said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from thy journey?

why then didst thou not go down unto thine house? 11:11 And Uriah

said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and

my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open

fields; shall I then go into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to

lie with my wife? as thou livest, and as thy soul liveth, I will not

do this thing.

11:12 And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to day also, and to morrow I

will let thee depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the

morrow.

11:13 And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him;

and he made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with

the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house.

11:14 And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to

Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah.

11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the

forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may

be smitten, and die.

11:16 And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he

assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant men were.

11:17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and

there fell some of the people of the servants of David; and Uriah the

Hittite died also.

11:18 Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;

11:19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of

telling the matters of the war unto the king, 11:20 And if so be that

the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached ye

so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would

shoot from the wall? 11:21 Who smote Abimelech the son of

Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a millstone upon him

from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? then

say thou, Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

11:22 So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab

had sent him for.

11:23 And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed

against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them

even unto the entering of the gate.

11:24 And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and

some of the king's servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite

is dead also.

11:25 Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say unto

Joab, Let not this thing displease thee, for the sword devoureth one

as well as another: make thy battle more strong against the city, and

overthrow it: and encourage thou him.

11:26 And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was

dead, she mourned for her husband.

11:27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to

his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing

that David had done displeased the LORD.

12:1 And the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and

said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the

other poor.

12:2 The rich man had exceeding many flocks and herds: 12:3 But the

poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought

and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his

children; it did eat of his own meat, and drank of his own cup, and

lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.

12:4 And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to

take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring

man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed

it for the man that was come to him.

12:5 And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he

said to Nathan, As the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this thing

shall surely die: 12:6 And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because

he did this thing, and because he had no pity.

12:7 And Nathan said to David, Thou art the man. Thus saith the LORD

God of Israel, I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee

out of the hand of Saul; 12:8 And I gave thee thy master's house, and

thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel

and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have

given unto thee such and such things.

12:9 Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do

evil in his sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword,

and hast taken his wife to be thy wife, and hast slain him with the

sword of the children of Ammon.

12:10 Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house;

because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the

Hittite to be thy wife.

12:11 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee

out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes,

and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in

the sight of this sun.

12:12 For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all

Israel, and before the sun.

12:13 And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the LORD. And

Nathan said unto David, The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou

shalt not die.

12:14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to

the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto

thee shall surely die.

12:15 And Nathan departed unto his house. And the LORD struck the

child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.

12:16 David therefore besought God for the child; and David fasted,

and went in, and lay all night upon the earth.

12:17 And the elders of his house arose, and went to him, to raise him

up from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with

them.

12:18 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And

the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead: for

they said, Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spake unto him,

and he would not hearken unto our voice: how will he then vex himself,

if we tell him that the child is dead? 12:19 But when David saw that

his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was dead:

therefore David said unto his servants, Is the child dead? And they

said, He is dead.

12:20 Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed

himself, and changed his apparel, and came into the house of the LORD,

and worshipped: then he came to his own house; and when he required,

they set bread before him, and he did eat.

12:21 Then said his servants unto him, What thing is this that thou

hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child, while it was alive;

but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread.

12:22 And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept:

for I said, Who can tell whether GOD will be gracious to me, that the

child may live? 12:23 But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast?

can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return

to me.

12:24 And David comforted Bathsheba his wife, and went in unto her,

and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon:

and the LORD loved him.

12:25 And he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his

name Jedidiah, because of the LORD.

12:26 And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and

took the royal city.

12:27 And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought

against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.

12:28 Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encamp

against the city, and take it: lest I take the city, and it be called

after my name.

12:29 And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah,

and fought against it, and took it.

12:30 And he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight

whereof was a talent of gold with the precious stones: and it was set

on David's head. And he brought forth the spoil of the city in great

abundance.

12:31 And he brought forth the people that were therein, and put them

under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and

made them pass through the brick-kiln: and thus did he unto all the

cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned

unto Jerusalem.

13:1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had

a fair sister, whose name was Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved

her.

13:2 And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar;

for she was a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do anything

to her.

13:3 But Amnon had a friend, whose name was Jonadab, the son of

Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab was a very subtil man.

13:4 And he said unto him, Why art thou, being the king's son, lean

from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, I

love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.

13:5 And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make

thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I

pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the

meat in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand.

13:6 So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was

come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my

sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat

at her hand.

13:7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother

Amnon's house, and dress him meat.

13:8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down.

And she took flour, and kneaded it, and made cakes in his sight, and

did bake the cakes.

13:9 And she took a pan, and poured them out before him; but he

refused to eat. And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they

went out every man from him.

13:10 And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that

I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made,

and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother.

13:11 And when she had brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of

her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister.

13:12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; for no

such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.

13:13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee,

thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray

thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from thee.

13:14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger

than she, forced her, and lay with her.

13:15 Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith

he hated her was greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And

Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone.

13:16 And she said unto him, There is no cause: this evil in sending

me away is greater than the other that thou didst unto me. But he

would not hearken unto her.

13:17 Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said,

Put now this woman out from me, and bolt the door after her.

13:18 And she had a garment of divers colours upon her: for with such

robes were the king's daughters that were virgins apparelled. Then his

servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her.

13:19 And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers

colours that was on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on

crying.

13:20 And Absalom her brother said unto her, Hath Amnon thy brother

been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he is thy brother;

regard not this thing. So Tamar remained desolate in her brother

Absalom's house.

13:21 But when king David heard of all these things, he was very

wroth.

13:22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad:

for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.

13:23 And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had

sheepshearers in Baalhazor, which is beside Ephraim: and Absalom

invited all the king's sons.

13:24 And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, thy servant

hath sheepshearers; let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go

with thy servant.

13:25 And the king said to Absalom, Nay, my son, let us not all now

go, lest we be chargeable unto thee. And he pressed him: howbeit he

would not go, but blessed him.

13:26 Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go

with us. And the king said unto him, Why should he go with thee?

13:27 But Absalom pressed him, that he let Amnon and all the king's

sons go with him.

13:28 Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when

Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite

Amnon; then kill him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be

courageous, and be valiant.

13:29 And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had

commanded.

Then all the king's sons arose, and every man gat him up upon his

mule, and fled.

13:30 And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings

came to David, saying, Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and

there is not one of them left.

13:31 Then the king arose, and tare his garments, and lay on the

earth; and all his servants stood by with their clothes rent.

13:32 And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and

said, Let not my lord suppose that they have slain all the young men

the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: for by the appointment of

Absalom this hath been determined from the day that he forced his

sister Tamar.

13:33 Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his

heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is

dead.

13:34 But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted

up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came much people by the

way of the hill side behind him.

13:35 And Jonadab said unto the king, Behold, the king's sons come: as

thy servant said, so it is.

13:36 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking,

that, behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and

wept: and the king also and all his servants wept very sore.

13:37 But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of Ammihud, king

of Geshur. And David mourned for his son every day.

13:38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.

13:39 And the soul of king David longed to go forth unto Absalom: for

he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.

14:1 Now Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart was

toward Absalom.

14:2 And Joab sent to Tekoah, and fetched thence a wise woman, and

said unto her, I pray thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on

now mourning apparel, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be as a

woman that had a long time mourned for the dead: 14:3 And come to the

king, and speak on this manner unto him. So Joab put the words in her

mouth.

14:4 And when the woman of Tekoah spake to the king, she fell on her

face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, Help, O king.

14:5 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, I

am indeed a widow woman, and mine husband is dead.

14:6 And thy handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in

the field, and there was none to part them, but the one smote the

other, and slew him.

14:7 And, behold, the whole family is risen against thine handmaid,

and they said, Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may kill

him, for the life of his brother whom he slew; and we will destroy the

heir also: and so they shall quench my coal which is left, and shall

not leave to my husband neither name nor remainder upon the earth.

14:8 And the king said unto the woman, Go to thine house, and I will

give charge concerning thee.

14:9 And the woman of Tekoah said unto the king, My lord, O king, the

iniquity be on me, and on my father's house: and the king and his

throne be guiltless.

14:10 And the king said, Whoever saith ought unto thee, bring him to

me, and he shall not touch thee any more.

14:11 Then said she, I pray thee, let the king remember the LORD thy

God, that thou wouldest not suffer the revengers of blood to destroy

any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said, As the LORD liveth,

there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth.

14:12 Then the woman said, Let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak one

word unto my lord the king. And he said, Say on.

14:13 And the woman said, Wherefore then hast thou thought such a

thing against the people of God? for the king doth speak this thing as

one which is faulty, in that the king doth not fetch home again his

banished.

14:14 For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground,

which cannot be gathered up again; neither doth God respect any

person: yet doth he devise means, that his banished be not expelled

from him.

14:15 Now therefore that I am come to speak of this thing unto my lord

the king, it is because the people have made me afraid: and thy

handmaid said, I will now speak unto the king; it may be that the king

will perform the request of his handmaid.

14:16 For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the hand

of the man that would destroy me and my son together out of the

inheritance of God.

14:17 Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now

be comfortable: for as an angel of God, so is my lord the king to

discern good and bad: therefore the LORD thy God will be with thee.

14:18 Then the king answered and said unto the woman, Hide not from

me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said,

Let my lord the king now speak.

14:19 And the king said, Is not the hand of Joab with thee in all

this? And the woman answered and said, As thy soul liveth, my lord

the king, none can turn to the right hand or to the left from ought

that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade me,

and he put all these words in the mouth of thine handmaid: 14:20 To

fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing:

and my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an angel of God, to

know all things that are in the earth.

14:21 And the king said unto Joab, Behold now, I have done this thing:

go therefore, bring the young man Absalom again.

14:22 And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and bowed himself, and

thanked the king: and Joab said, To day thy servant knoweth that I

have found grace in thy sight, my lord, O king, in that the king hath

fulfilled the request of his servant.

14:23 So Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to

Jerusalem.

14:24 And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him

not see my face. So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the

king's face.

14:25 But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as

Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of

his head there was no blemish in him.

14:26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end

that he polled it: because the hair was heavy on him, therefore he

polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels

after the king's weight.

14:27 And unto Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter,

whose name was Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance.

14:28 So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, and saw not the

king's face.

14:29 Therefore Absalom sent for Joab, to have sent him to the king;

but he would not come to him: and when he sent again the second time,

he would not come.

14:30 Therefore he said unto his servants, See, Joab's field is near

mine, and he hath barley there; go and set it on fire. And Absalom's

servants set the field on fire.

14:31 Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto his house, and said

unto him, Wherefore have thy servants set my field on fire? 14:32 And

Absalom answered Joab, Behold, I sent unto thee, saying, Come hither,

that I may send thee to the king, to say, Wherefore am I come from

Geshur? it had been good for me to have been there still: now

therefore let me see the king's face; and if there be any iniquity in

me, let him kill me.

14:33 So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called

for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the

ground before the king: and the king kissed Absalom.

15:1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him

chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him.

15:2 And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate:

and it was so, that when any man that had a controversy came to the

king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, Of what

city art thou? And he said, Thy servant is of one of the tribes of

Israel.

15:3 And Absalom said unto him, See, thy matters are good and right;

but there is no man deputed of the king to hear thee.

15:4 Absalom said moreover, Oh that I were made judge in the land,

that every man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I

would do him justice! 15:5 And it was so, that when any man came nigh

to him to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and

kissed him.

15:6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the

king for judgment: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.

15:7 And it came to pass after forty years, that Absalom said unto the

king, I pray thee, let me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed unto

the LORD, in Hebron.

15:8 For thy servant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria,

saying, If the LORD shall bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I

will serve the LORD.

15:9 And the king said unto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and went to

Hebron.

15:10 But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel,

saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall

say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.

15:11 And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, that

were called; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any

thing.

15:12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's

counsellor, from his city, even from Giloh, while he offered

sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased

continually with Absalom.

15:13 And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the

men of Israel are after Absalom.

15:14 And David said unto all his servants that were with him at

Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not else escape from

Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and bring

evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.

15:15 And the king's servants said unto the king, Behold, thy servants

are ready to do whatsoever my lord the king shall appoint.

15:16 And the king went forth, and all his household after him. And

the king left ten women, which were concubines, to keep the house.

15:17 And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and

tarried in a place that was far off.

15:18 And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the

Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred

men which came after him from Gath, passed on before the king.

15:19 Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore goest thou

also with us? return to thy place, and abide with the king: for thou

art a stranger, and also an exile.

15:20 Whereas thou camest but yesterday, should I this day make thee

go up and down with us? seeing I go whither I may, return thou, and

take back thy brethren: mercy and truth be with thee.

15:21 And Ittai answered the king, and said, As the LORD liveth, and

as my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king

shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant

be.

15:22 And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite

passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that were with

him.

15:23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people

passed over: the king also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and

all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness.

15:24 And lo Zadok also, and all the Levites were with him, bearing

the ark of the covenant of God: and they set down the ark of God; and

Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the

city.

15:25 And the king said unto Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the

city: if I shall find favour in the eyes of the LORD, he will bring me

again, and shew me both it, and his habitation: 15:26 But if he thus

say, I have no delight in thee; behold, here am I, let him do to me as

seemeth good unto him.

15:27 The king said also unto Zadok the priest, Art not thou a seer?

return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy

son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.

15:28 See, I will tarry in the plain of the wilderness, until there

come word from you to certify me.

15:29 Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to

Jerusalem: and they tarried there.

15:30 And David went up by the ascent of mount Olivet, and wept as he

went up, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the

people that was with him covered every man his head, and they went up,

weeping as they went up.

15:31 And one told David, saying, Ahithophel is among the conspirators

with Absalom. And David said, O LORD, I pray thee, turn the counsel of

Ahithophel into foolishness.

15:32 And it came to pass, that when David was come to the top of the

mount, where he worshipped God, behold, Hushai the Archite came to

meet him with his coat rent, and earth upon his head: 15:33 Unto whom

David said, If thou passest on with me, then thou shalt be a burden

unto me: 15:34 But if thou return to the city, and say unto Absalom, I

will be thy servant, O king; as I have been thy father's servant

hitherto, so will I now also be thy servant: then mayest thou for me

defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.

15:35 And hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the

priests? therefore it shall be, that what thing soever thou shalt

hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell it to Zadok and Abiathar

the priests.

15:36 Behold, they have there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz

Zadok's son, and Jonathan Abiathar's son; and by them ye shall send

unto me every thing that ye can hear.

15:37 So Hushai David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came

into Jerusalem.

16:1 And when David was a little past the top of the hill, behold,

Ziba the servant of Mephibosheth met him, with a couple of asses

saddled, and upon them two hundred loaves of bread, and an hundred

bunches of raisins, and an hundred of summer fruits, and a bottle of

wine.

16:2 And the king said unto Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba

said, The asses be for the king's household to ride on; and the bread

and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as

be faint in the wilderness may drink.

16:3 And the king said, And where is thy master's son? And Ziba said

unto the king, Behold, he abideth at Jerusalem: for he said, To day

shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father.

16:4 Then said the king to Ziba, Behold, thine are all that pertained

unto Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, I humbly beseech thee that I may

find grace in thy sight, my lord, O king.

16:5 And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a

man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei, the son

of Gera: he came forth, and cursed still as he came.

16:6 And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king

David: and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right

hand and on his left.

16:7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou

bloody man, and thou man of Belial: 16:8 The LORD hath returned upon

thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast

reigned; and the LORD hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of

Absalom thy son: and, behold, thou art taken in thy mischief, because

thou art a bloody man.

16:9 Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, Why should

this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and

take off his head.

16:10 And the king said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of

Zeruiah? so let him curse, because the LORD hath said unto him, Curse

David. Who shall then say, Wherefore hast thou done so? 16:11 And

David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, which

came forth of my bowels, seeketh my life: how much more now may this

Benjamite do it? let him alone, and let him curse; for the LORD hath

bidden him.

16:12 It may be that the LORD will look on mine affliction, and that

the LORD will requite me good for his cursing this day.

16:13 And as David and his men went by the way, Shimei went along on

the hill's side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw

stones at him, and cast dust.

16:14 And the king, and all the people that were with him, came weary,

and refreshed themselves there.

16:15 And Absalom, and all the people the men of Israel, came to

Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him.

16:16 And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David's friend,

was come unto Absalom, that Hushai said unto Absalom, God save the

king, God save the king.

16:17 And Absalom said to Hushai, Is this thy kindness to thy friend?

why wentest thou not with thy friend? 16:18 And Hushai said unto

Absalom, Nay; but whom the LORD, and this people, and all the men of

Israel, choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.

16:19 And again, whom should I serve? should I not serve in the

presence of his son? as I have served in thy father's presence, so

will I be in thy presence.

16:20 Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give counsel among you what we

shall do.

16:21 And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto thy father's

concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall

hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall the hands of all

that are with thee be strong.

16:22 So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and

Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all

Israel.

16:23 And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those

days, was as if a man had enquired at the oracle of God: so was all

the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.

17:1 Moreover Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Let me now choose out

twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue after David this

night: 17:2 And I will come upon him while he is weary and weak

handed, and will make him afraid: and all the people that are with him

shall flee; and I will smite the king only: 17:3 And I will bring back

all the people unto thee: the man whom thou seekest is as if all

returned: so all the people shall be in peace.

17:4 And the saying pleased Absalom well, and all the elders of

Israel.

17:5 Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us

hear likewise what he saith.

17:6 And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spake unto him,

saying, Ahithophel hath spoken after this manner: shall we do after

his saying? if not; speak thou.

17:7 And Hushai said unto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath

given is not good at this time.

17:8 For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father and his men, that they

be mighty men, and they be chafed in their minds, as a bear robbed of

her whelps in the field: and thy father is a man of war, and will not

lodge with the people.

17:9 Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some other place: and it

will come to pass, when some of them be overthrown at the first, that

whosoever heareth it will say, There is a slaughter among the people

that follow Absalom.

17:10 And he also that is valiant, whose heart is as the heart of a

lion, shall utterly melt: for all Israel knoweth that thy father is a

mighty man, and they which be with him are valiant men.

17:11 Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally gathered unto

thee, from Dan even to Beersheba, as the sand that is by the sea for

multitude; and that thou go to battle in thine own person.

17:12 So shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found,

and we will light upon him as the dew falleth on the ground: and of

him and of all the men that are with him there shall not be left so

much as one.

17:13 Moreover, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel

bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, until

there be not one small stone found there.

17:14 And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of

Hushai the Archite is better than the counsel of Ahithophel. For the

LORD had appointed to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, to the

intent that the LORD might bring evil upon Absalom.

17:15 Then said Hushai unto Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus

and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and

thus and thus have I counselled.

17:16 Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, Lodge not

this night in the plains of the wilderness, but speedily pass over;

lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that are with him.

17:17 Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by Enrogel; for they might not

be seen to come into the city: and a wench went and told them; and

they went and told king David.

17:18 Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told Absalom: but they went

both of them away quickly, and came to a man's house in Bahurim, which

had a well in his court; whither they went down.

17:19 And the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth,

and spread ground corn thereon; and the thing was not known.

17:20 And when Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house, they

said, Where is Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said unto them,

They be gone over the brook of water. And when they had sought and

could not find them, they returned to Jerusalem.

17:21 And it came to pass, after they were departed, that they came up

out of the well, and went and told king David, and said unto David,

Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for thus hath Ahithophel

counselled against you.

17:22 Then David arose, and all the people that were with him, and

they passed over Jordan: by the morning light there lacked not one of

them that was not gone over Jordan.

17:23 And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he

saddled his ass, and arose, and gat him home to his house, to his

city, and put his household in order, and hanged himself, and died,

and was buried in the sepulchre of his father.

17:24 Then David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over Jordan, he

and all the men of Israel with him.

17:25 And Absalom made Amasa captain of the host instead of Joab:

which Amasa was a man's son, whose name was Ithra an Israelite, that

went in to Abigail the daughter of Nahash, sister to Zeruiah Joab's

mother.

17:26 So Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead.

17:27 And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi

the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the

son of Ammiel of Lodebar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,

17:28 Brought beds, and basons, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and

barley, and flour, and parched corn, and beans, and lentiles, and

parched pulse, 17:29 And honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of

kine, for David, and for the people that were with him, to eat: for

they said, The people is hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the

wilderness.

18:1 And David numbered the people that were with him, and set

captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds over them.

18:2 And David sent forth a third part of the people under the hand of

Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah,

Joab's brother, and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite.

And the king said unto the people, I will surely go forth with you

myself also.

18:3 But the people answered, Thou shalt not go forth: for if we flee

away, they will not care for us; neither if half of us die, will they

care for us: but now thou art worth ten thousand of us: therefore now

it is better that thou succour us out of the city.

18:4 And the king said unto them, What seemeth you best I will do. And

the king stood by the gate side, and all the people came out by

hundreds and by thousands.

18:5 And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Deal

gently for my sake with the young man, even with Absalom. And all the

people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning

Absalom.

18:6 So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the

battle was in the wood of Ephraim; 18:7 Where the people of Israel

were slain before the servants of David, and there was there a great

slaughter that day of twenty thousand men.

18:8 For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the

country: and the wood devoured more people that day than the sword

devoured.

18:9 And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a

mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his

head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven

and the earth; and the mule that was under him went away.

18:10 And a certain man saw it, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw

Absalom hanged in an oak.

18:11 And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou

sawest him, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and

I would have given thee ten shekels of silver, and a girdle.

18:12 And the man said unto Joab, Though I should receive a thousand

shekels of silver in mine hand, yet would I not put forth mine hand

against the king's son: for in our hearing the king charged thee and

Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none touch the young man

Absalom.

18:13 Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life:

for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest

have set thyself against me.

18:14 Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took

three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom,

while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak.

18:15 And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and

smote Absalom, and slew him.

18:16 And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing

after Israel: for Joab held back the people.

18:17 And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the

wood, and laid a very great heap of stones upon him: and all Israel

fled every one to his tent.

18:18 Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself

a pillar, which is in the king's dale: for he said, I have no son to

keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own

name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's place.

18:19 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and bear the

king tidings, how that the LORD hath avenged him of his enemies.

18:20 And Joab said unto him, Thou shalt not bear tidings this day,

but thou shalt bear tidings another day: but this day thou shalt bear

no tidings, because the king's son is dead.

18:21 Then said Joab to Cushi, Go tell the king what thou hast seen.

And Cushi bowed himself unto Joab, and ran.

18:22 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, But

howsoever, let me, I pray thee, also run after Cushi. And Joab said,

Wherefore wilt thou run, my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings

ready? 18:23 But howsoever, said he, let me run. And he said unto

him, Run. Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, and overran Cushi.

18:24 And David sat between the two gates: and the watchman went up to

the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and

looked, and behold a man running alone.

18:25 And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If

he be alone, there is tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and

drew near.

18:26 And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman

called unto the porter, and said, Behold another man running alone.

And the king said, He also bringeth tidings.

18:27 And the watchman said, Me thinketh the running of the foremost

is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He

is a good man, and cometh with good tidings.

18:28 And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, All is well. And he

fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said,

Blessed be the LORD thy God, which hath delivered up the men that

lifted up their hand against my lord the king.

18:29 And the king said, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz

answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, and me thy servant, I saw

a great tumult, but I knew not what it was.

18:30 And the king said unto him, Turn aside, and stand here. And he

turned aside, and stood still.

18:31 And, behold, Cushi came; and Cushi said, Tidings, my lord the

king: for the LORD hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up

against thee.

18:32 And the king said unto Cushi, Is the young man Absalom safe? And

Cushi answered, The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise

against thee to do thee hurt, be as that young man is.

18:33 And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the

gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my

son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son,

my son! 19:1 And it was told Joab, Behold, the king weepeth and

mourneth for Absalom.

19:2 And the victory that day was turned into mourning unto all the

people: for the people heard say that day how the king was grieved for

his son.

19:3 And the people gat them by stealth that day into the city, as

people being ashamed steal away when they flee in battle.

19:4 But the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud

voice, O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son! 19:5 And Joab

came into the house to the king, and said, Thou hast shamed this day

the faces of all thy servants, which this day have saved thy life, and

the lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the lives of thy

wives, and the lives of thy concubines; 19:6 In that thou lovest thine

enemies, and hatest thy friends. For thou hast declared this day, that

thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day I perceive,

that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had

pleased thee well.

19:7 Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak comfortably unto thy

servants: for I swear by the LORD, if thou go not forth, there will

not tarry one with thee this night: and that will be worse unto thee

than all the evil that befell thee from thy youth until now.

19:8 Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told unto all

the people, saying, Behold, the king doth sit in the gate. And all the

people came before the king: for Israel had fled every man to his

tent.

19:9 And all the people were at strife throughout all the tribes of

Israel, saying, The king saved us out of the hand of our enemies, and

he delivered us out of the hand of the Philistines; and now he is fled

out of the land for Absalom.

19:10 And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now

therefore why speak ye not a word of bringing the king back? 19:11

And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying,

Speak unto the elders of Judah, saying, Why are ye the last to bring

the king back to his house? seeing the speech of all Israel is come to

the king, even to his house.

19:12 Ye are my brethren, ye are my bones and my flesh: wherefore then

are ye the last to bring back the king? 19:13 And say ye to Amasa,

Art thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? God do so to me, and more

also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually in the

room of Joab.

19:14 And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as the

heart of one man; so that they sent this word unto the king, Return

thou, and all thy servants.

19:15 So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And Judah came to

Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to conduct the king over Jordan.

19:16 And Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite, which was of Bahurim,

hasted and came down with the men of Judah to meet king David.

19:17 And there were a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the

servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty

servants with him; and they went over Jordan before the king.

19:18 And there went over a ferry boat to carry over the king's

household, and to do what he thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera

fell down before the king, as he was come over Jordan; 19:19 And said

unto the king, Let not my lord impute iniquity unto me, neither do

thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my

lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to

his heart.

19:20 For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore, behold,

I am come the first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to

meet my lord the king.

19:21 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, Shall not

Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed the LORD's

anointed? 19:22 And David said, What have I to do with you, ye sons

of Zeruiah, that ye should this day be adversaries unto me? shall

there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not I know

that I am this day king over Israel? 19:23 Therefore the king said

unto Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king sware unto him.

19:24 And Mephibosheth the son of Saul came down to meet the king, and

had neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his

clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came again in

peace.

19:25 And it came to pass, when he was come to Jerusalem to meet the

king, that the king said unto him, Wherefore wentest not thou with me,

Mephibosheth? 19:26 And he answered, My lord, O king, my servant

deceived me: for thy servant said, I will saddle me an ass, that I may

ride thereon, and go to the king; because thy servant is lame.

19:27 And he hath slandered thy servant unto my lord the king; but my

lord the king is as an angel of God: do therefore what is good in

thine eyes.

19:28 For all of my father's house were but dead men before my lord

the king: yet didst thou set thy servant among them that did eat at

thine own table. What right therefore have I yet to cry any more unto

the king? 19:29 And the king said unto him, Why speakest thou any

more of thy matters? I have said, Thou and Ziba divide the land.

19:30 And Mephibosheth said unto the king, Yea, let him take all,

forasmuch as my lord the king is come again in peace unto his own

house.

19:31 And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went

over Jordan with the king, to conduct him over Jordan.

19:32 Now Barzillai was a very aged man, even fourscore years old: and

he had provided the king of sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim; for

he was a very great man.

19:33 And the king said unto Barzillai, Come thou over with me, and I

will feed thee with me in Jerusalem.

19:34 And Barzillai said unto the king, How long have I to live, that

I should go up with the king unto Jerusalem? 19:35 I am this day

fourscore years old: and can I discern between good and evil? can thy

servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more the

voice of singing men and singing women? wherefore then should thy

servant be yet a burden unto my lord the king? 19:36 Thy servant will

go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king

recompense it me with such a reward? 19:37 Let thy servant, I pray

thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, and be buried

by the grave of my father and of my mother. But behold thy servant

Chimham; let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what

shall seem good unto thee.

19:38 And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will

do to him that which shall seem good unto thee: and whatsoever thou

shalt require of me, that will I do for thee.

19:39 And all the people went over Jordan. And when the king was come

over, the king kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned unto

his own place.

19:40 Then the king went on to Gilgal, and Chimham went on with him:

and all the people of Judah conducted the king, and also half the

people of Israel.

19:41 And, behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said

unto the king, Why have our brethren the men of Judah stolen thee

away, and have brought the king, and his household, and all David's

men with him, over Jordan? 19:42 And all the men of Judah answered

the men of Israel, Because the king is near of kin to us: wherefore

then be ye angry for this matter? have we eaten at all of the king's

cost? or hath he given us any gift? 19:43 And the men of Israel

answered the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the king,

and we have also more right in David than ye: why then did ye despise

us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king?

And the words of the men of Judah were fiercer than the words of the

men of Israel.

20:1 And there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name was

Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew a trumpet, and

said, We have no part in David, neither have we inheritance in the son

of Jesse: every man to his tents, O Israel.

20:2 So every man of Israel went up from after David, and followed

Sheba the son of Bichri: but the men of Judah clave unto their king,

from Jordan even to Jerusalem.

20:3 And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the

ten women his concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put

them in ward, and fed them, but went not in unto them. So they were

shut up unto the day of their death, living in widowhood.

20:4 Then said the king to Amasa, Assemble me the men of Judah within

three days, and be thou here present.

20:5 So Amasa went to assemble the men of Judah: but he tarried longer

than the set time which he had appointed him.

20:6 And David said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri do

us more harm than did Absalom: take thou thy lord's servants, and

pursue after him, lest he get him fenced cities, and escape us.

20:7 And there went out after him Joab's men, and the Cherethites, and

the Pelethites, and all the mighty men: and they went out of

Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

20:8 When they were at the great stone which is in Gibeon, Amasa went

before them. And Joab's garment that he had put on was girded unto

him, and upon it a girdle with a sword fastened upon his loins in the

sheath thereof; and as he went forth it fell out.

20:9 And Joab said to Amasa, Art thou in health, my brother? And Joab

took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.

20:10 But Amasa took no heed to the sword that was in Joab's hand: so

he smote him therewith in the fifth rib, and shed out his bowels to

the ground, and struck him not again; and he died. So Joab and Abishai

his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.

20:11 And one of Joab's men stood by him, and said, He that favoureth

Joab, and he that is for David, let him go after Joab.

20:12 And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway. And

when the man saw that all the people stood still, he removed Amasa out

of the highway into the field, and cast a cloth upon him, when he saw

that every one that came by him stood still.

20:13 When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on

after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

20:14 And he went through all the tribes of Israel unto Abel, and to

Bethmaachah, and all the Berites: and they were gathered together, and

went also after him.

20:15 And they came and besieged him in Abel of Bethmaachah, and they

cast up a bank against the city, and it stood in the trench: and all

the people that were with Joab battered the wall, to throw it down.

20:16 Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray

you, unto Joab, Come near hither, that I may speak with thee.

20:17 And when he was come near unto her, the woman said, Art thou

Joab? And he answered, I am he. Then she said unto him, Hear the

words of thine handmaid. And he answered, I do hear.

20:18 Then she spake, saying, They were wont to speak in old time,

saying, They shall surely ask counsel at Abel: and so they ended the

matter.

20:19 I am one of them that are peaceable and faithful in Israel: thou

seekest to destroy a city and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou

swallow up the inheritance of the LORD? 20:20 And Joab answered and

said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or

destroy.

20:21 The matter is not so: but a man of mount Ephraim, Sheba the son

of Bichri by name, hath lifted up his hand against the king, even

against David: deliver him only, and I will depart from the city. And

the woman said unto Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to thee

over the wall.

20:22 Then the woman went unto all the people in her wisdom. And they

cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast it out to Joab.

And he blew a trumpet, and they retired from the city, every man to

his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem unto the king.

20:23 Now Joab was over all the host of Israel: and Benaiah the son of

Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites: 20:24 And

Adoram was over the tribute: and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was

recorder: 20:25 And Sheva was scribe: and Zadok and Abiathar were the

priests: 20:26 And Ira also the Jairite was a chief ruler about David.

21:1 Then there was a famine in the days of David three years, year

after year; and David enquired of the LORD. And the LORD answered, It

is for Saul, and for his bloody house, because he slew the Gibeonites.

21:2 And the king called the Gibeonites, and said unto them; (now the

Gibeonites were not of the children of Israel, but of the remnant of

the Amorites; and the children of Israel had sworn unto them: and Saul

sought to slay them in his zeal to the children of Israel and Judah.)

21:3 Wherefore David said unto the Gibeonites, What shall I do for

you? and wherewith shall I make the atonement, that ye may bless the

inheritance of the LORD? 21:4 And the Gibeonites said unto him, We

will have no silver nor gold of Saul, nor of his house; neither for us

shalt thou kill any man in Israel. And he said, What ye shall say,

that will I do for you.

21:5 And they answered the king, The man that consumed us, and that

devised against us that we should be destroyed from remaining in any

of the coasts of Israel, 21:6 Let seven men of his sons be delivered

unto us, and we will hang them up unto the LORD in Gibeah of Saul,

whom the LORD did choose. And the king said, I will give them.

21:7 But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of

Saul, because of the LORD's oath that was between them, between David

and Jonathan the son of Saul.

21:8 But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah,

whom she bare unto Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of

Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she brought up for Adriel the son of

Barzillai the Meholathite: 21:9 And he delivered them into the hands

of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the hill before the LORD:

and they fell all seven together, and were put to death in the days of

harvest, in the first days, in the beginning of barley harvest.

21:10 And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it

for her upon the rock, from the beginning of harvest until water

dropped upon them out of heaven, and suffered neither the birds of the

air to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.

21:11 And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the

concubine of Saul, had done.

21:12 And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of

Jonathan his son from the men of Jabeshgilead, which had stolen them

from the street of Bethshan, where the Philistines had hanged them,

when the Philistines had slain Saul in Gilboa: 21:13 And he brought up

from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son; and

they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.

21:14 And the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son buried they in the

country of Benjamin in Zelah, in the sepulchre of Kish his father: and

they performed all that the king commanded. And after that God was

intreated for the land.

21:15 Moreover the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and

David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the

Philistines: and David waxed faint.

21:16 And Ishbibenob, which was of the sons of the giant, the weight

of whose spear weighed three hundred shekels of brass in weight, he

being girded with a new sword, thought to have slain David.

21:17 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succoured him, and smote the

Philistine, and killed him. Then the men of David sware unto him,

saying, Thou shalt go no more out with us to battle, that thou quench

not the light of Israel.

21:18 And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle

with the Philistines at Gob: then Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Saph,

which was of the sons of the giant.

21:19 And there was again a battle in Gob with the Philistines, where

Elhanan the son of Jaareoregim, a Bethlehemite, slew the brother of

Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose spear was like a weaver's

beam.

21:20 And there was yet a battle in Gath, where was a man of great

stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six

toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to the giant.

21:21 And when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimeah the

brother of David slew him.

21:22 These four were born to the giant in Gath, and fell by the hand

of David, and by the hand of his servants.

22:1 And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day

that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies,

and out of the hand of Saul: 22:2 And he said, The LORD is my rock,

and my fortress, and my deliverer; 22:3 The God of my rock; in him

will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high

tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.

22:4 I will call on the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall I

be saved from mine enemies.

22:5 When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men

made me afraid; 22:6 The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the

snares of death prevented me; 22:7 In my distress I called upon the

LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple,

and my cry did enter into his ears.

22:8 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations of heaven

moved and shook, because he was wroth.

22:9 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his

mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

22:10 He bowed the heavens also, and came down; and darkness was under

his feet.

22:11 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the

wings of the wind.

22:12 And he made darkness pavilions round about him, dark waters, and

thick clouds of the skies.

22:13 Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.

22:14 The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his

voice.

22:15 And he sent out arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and

discomfited them.

22:16 And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the

world were discovered, at the rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of

the breath of his nostrils.

22:17 He sent from above, he took me; he drew me out of many waters;

22:18 He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them that hated

me: for they were too strong for me.

22:19 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my

stay.

22:20 He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me,

because he delighted in me.

22:21 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to

the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

22:22 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly

departed from my God.

22:23 For all his judgments were before me: and as for his statutes, I

did not depart from them.

22:24 I was also upright before him, and have kept myself from mine

iniquity.

22:25 Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my

righteousness; according to my cleanness in his eye sight.

22:26 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful, and with the

upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright.

22:27 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward

thou wilt shew thyself unsavoury.

22:28 And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eyes are upon

the haughty, that thou mayest bring them down.

22:29 For thou art my lamp, O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my

darkness.

22:30 For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped

over a wall.

22:31 As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is tried:

he is a buckler to all them that trust in him.

22:32 For who is God, save the LORD? and who is a rock, save our God?

22:33 God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect.

22:34 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet: and setteth me upon my high

places.

22:35 He teacheth my hands to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by

mine arms.

22:36 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy

gentleness hath made me great.

22:37 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my feet did not

slip.

22:38 I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not

again until I had consumed them.

22:39 And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not

arise: yea, they are fallen under my feet.

22:40 For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose

up against me hast thou subdued under me.

22:41 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might

destroy them that hate me.

22:42 They looked, but there was none to save; even unto the LORD, but

he answered them not.

22:43 Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did

stamp them as the mire of the street, and did spread them abroad.

22:44 Thou also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people,

thou hast kept me to be head of the heathen: a people which I knew not

shall serve me.

22:45 Strangers shall submit themselves unto me: as soon as they hear,

they shall be obedient unto me.

22:46 Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their

close places.

22:47 The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock; and exalted be the God

of the rock of my salvation.

22:48 It is God that avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people

under me.

22:49 And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou also hast

lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast

delivered me from the violent man.

22:50 Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the

heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name.

22:51 He is the tower of salvation for his king: and sheweth mercy to

his anointed, unto David, and to his seed for evermore.

23:1 Now these be the last words of David. David the son of Jesse

said, and the man who was raised up on high, the anointed of the God

of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said, 23:2 The Spirit of

the LORD spake by me, and his word was in my tongue.

23:3 The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, He that

ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.

23:4 And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth,

even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of

the earth by clear shining after rain.

23:5 Although my house be not so with God; yet he hath made with me an

everlasting covenant, ordered in all things, and sure: for this is all

my salvation, and all my desire, although he make it not to grow.

23:6 But the sons of Belial shall be all of them as thorns thrust

away, because they cannot be taken with hands: 23:7 But the man that

shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear;

and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place.

23:8 These be the names of the mighty men whom David had: The

Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same

was Adino the Eznite: he lift up his spear against eight hundred, whom

he slew at one time.

23:9 And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the

three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines that

were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were

gone away: 23:10 He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand

was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a

great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to

spoil.

23:11 And after him was Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the

Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where was a piece of

ground full of lentiles: and the people fled from the Philistines.

23:12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and

slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.

23:13 And three of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in

the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the

Philistines pitched in the valley of Rephaim.

23:14 And David was then in an hold, and the garrison of the

Philistines was then in Bethlehem.

23:15 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of

the water of the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate! 23:16 And

the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and

drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and

took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink

thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.

23:17 And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this:

is not this the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives?

therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty

men.

23:18 And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was chief

among three. And he lifted up his spear against three hundred, and

slew them, and had the name among three.

23:19 Was he not most honourable of three? therefore he was their

captain: howbeit he attained not unto the first three.

23:20 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man, of

Kabzeel, who had done many acts, he slew two lionlike men of Moab: he

went down also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow:

23:21 And he slew an Egyptian, a goodly man: and the Egyptian had a

spear in his hand; but he went down to him with a staff, and plucked

the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

23:22 These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name

among three mighty men.

23:23 He was more honourable than the thirty, but he attained not to

the first three. And David set him over his guard.

23:24 Asahel the brother of Joab was one of the thirty; Elhanan the

son of Dodo of Bethlehem, 23:25 Shammah the Harodite, Elika the

Harodite, 23:26 Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,

23:27 Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite, 23:28 Zalmon

the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite, 23:29 Heleb the son of Baanah,

a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the children

of Benjamin, 23:30 Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the brooks of

Gaash, 23:31 Abialbon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite, 23:32

Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan, 23:33

Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Hararite, 23:34

Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the

son of Ahithophel the Gilonite, 23:35 Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the

Arbite, 23:36 Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite, 23:37

Zelek the Ammonite, Nahari the Beerothite, armourbearer to Joab the

son of Zeruiah, 23:38 Ira an Ithrite, Gareb an Ithrite, 23:39 Uriah

the Hittite: thirty and seven in all.

24:1 And again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and

he moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah.

24:2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which was with

him, Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to

Beersheba, and number ye the people, that I may know the number of the

people.

24:3 And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the

people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of

my lord the king may see it: but why doth my lord the king delight in

this thing? 24:4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against

Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains

of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the

people of Israel.

24:5 And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right

side of the city that lieth in the midst of the river of Gad, and

toward Jazer: 24:6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the land of

Tahtimhodshi; and they came to Danjaan, and about to Zidon, 24:7 And

came to the strong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites,

and of the Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, even

to Beersheba.

24:8 So when they had gone through all the land, they came to

Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days.

24:9 And Joab gave up the sum of the number of the people unto the

king: and there were in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that

drew the sword; and the men of Judah were five hundred thousand men.

24:10 And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the

people.

And David said unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have

done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy

servant; for I have done very foolishly.

24:11 For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came

unto the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying, 24:12 Go and say unto

David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things; choose thee one

of them, that I may do it unto thee.

24:13 So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall

seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee

three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that

there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what

answer I shall return to him that sent me.

24:14 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now

into the hand of the LORD; for his mercies are great: and let me not

fall into the hand of man.

24:15 So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even

to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to

Beersheba seventy thousand men.

24:16 And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to

destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel

that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the

angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.

24:17 And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote

the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but

these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be

against me, and against my father's house.

24:18 And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Go up, rear

an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of Araunah the Jebusite.

24:19 And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as the LORD

commanded.

24:20 And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on

toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on

his face upon the ground.

24:21 And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come to his

servant? And David said, To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build

an altar unto the LORD, that the plague may be stayed from the people.

24:22 And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer

up what seemeth good unto him: behold, here be oxen for burnt

sacrifice, and threshing instruments and other instruments of the oxen

for wood.

24:23 All these things did Araunah, as a king, give unto the king. And

Araunah said unto the king, The LORD thy God accept thee.

24:24 And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy it of

thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my

God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the

threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.

24:25 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt

offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD was intreated for the land,

and the plague was stayed from Israel.

The First Book of the Kings

Commonly Called:

The Third Book of the Kings

1:1 Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered

him with clothes, but he gat no heat.

1:2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, Let there be sought for my

lord the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and

let her cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the

king may get heat.

1:3 So they sought for a fair damsel throughout all the coasts of

Israel, and found Abishag a Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

1:4 And the damsel was very fair, and cherished the king, and

ministered to him: but the king knew her not.

1:5 Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will

be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to

run before him.

1:6 And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why

hast thou done so? and he also was a very goodly man; and his mother

bare him after Absalom.

1:7 And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar

the priest: and they following Adonijah helped him.

1:8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan

the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men which belonged to

David, were not with Adonijah.

1:9 And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of

Zoheleth, which is by Enrogel, and called all his brethren the king's

sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants: 1:10 But Nathan

the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother,

he called not.

1:11 Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bathsheba the mother of Solomon,

saying, Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith doth

reign, and David our lord knoweth it not? 1:12 Now therefore come,

let me, I pray thee, give thee counsel, that thou mayest save thine

own life, and the life of thy son Solomon.

1:13 Go and get thee in unto king David, and say unto him, Didst not

thou, my lord, O king, swear unto thine handmaid, saying, Assuredly

Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?

why then doth Adonijah reign? 1:14 Behold, while thou yet talkest

there with the king, I also will come in after thee, and confirm thy

words.

1:15 And Bathsheba went in unto the king into the chamber: and the

king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite ministered unto the

king.

1:16 And Bathsheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And the

king said, What wouldest thou? 1:17 And she said unto him, My lord,

thou swarest by the LORD thy God unto thine handmaid, saying,

Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon

my throne.

1:18 And now, behold, Adonijah reigneth; and now, my lord the king,

thou knowest it not: 1:19 And he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and

sheep in abundance, and hath called all the sons of the king, and

Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host: but Solomon thy

servant hath he not called.

1:20 And thou, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel are upon thee,

that thou shouldest tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord

the king after him.

1:21 Otherwise it shall come to pass, when my lord the king shall

sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted

offenders.

1:22 And, lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet

also came in.

1:23 And they told the king, saying, Behold Nathan the prophet. And

when he was come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king

with his face to the ground.

1:24 And Nathan said, My lord, O king, hast thou said, Adonijah shall

reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? 1:25 For he is gone

down this day, and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in

abundance, and hath called all the king's sons, and the captains of

the host, and Abiathar the priest; and, behold, they eat and drink

before him, and say, God save king Adonijah.

1:26 But me, even me thy servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah

the son of Jehoiada, and thy servant Solomon, hath he not called.

1:27 Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed

it unto thy servant, who should sit on the throne of my lord the king

after him? 1:28 Then king David answered and said, Call me Bathsheba.

And she came into the king's presence, and stood before the king.

1:29 And the king sware, and said, As the LORD liveth, that hath

redeemed my soul out of all distress, 1:30 Even as I sware unto thee

by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall

reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so

will I certainly do this day.

1:31 Then Bathsheba bowed with her face to the earth, and did

reverence to the king, and said, Let my lord king David live for ever.

1:32 And king David said, Call me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the

prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the

king.

1:33 The king also said unto them, Take with you the servants of your

lord, and cause Solomon my son to ride upon mine own mule, and bring

him down to Gihon: 1:34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the

prophet anoint him there king over Israel: and blow ye with the

trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.

1:35 Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my

throne; for he shall be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to

be ruler over Israel and over Judah.

1:36 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said,

Amen: the LORD God of my lord the king say so too.

1:37 As the LORD hath been with my lord the king, even so be he with

Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king

David.

1:38 So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son

of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, went down, and

caused Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to

Gihon.

1:39 And Zadok the priest took an horn of oil out of the tabernacle,

and anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the people

said, God save king Solomon.

1:40 And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with

pipes, and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth rent with the

sound of them.

1:41 And Adonijah and all the guests that were with him heard it as

they had made an end of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the

trumpet, he said, Wherefore is this noise of the city being in an

uproar? 1:42 And while he yet spake, behold, Jonathan the son of

Abiathar the priest came; and Adonijah said unto him, Come in; for

thou art a valiant man, and bringest good tidings.

1:43 And Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, Verily our lord king

David hath made Solomon king.

1:44 And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the

prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the

Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule:

1:45 And Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him

king in Gihon: and they are come up from thence rejoicing, so that the

city rang again. This is the noise that ye have heard.

1:46 And also Solomon sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.

1:47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king

David, saying, God make the name of Solomon better than thy name, and

make his throne greater than thy throne. And the king bowed himself

upon the bed.

1:48 And also thus said the king, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel,

which hath given one to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even

seeing it.

1:49 And all the guests that were with Adonijah were afraid, and rose

up, and went every man his way.

1:50 And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and

caught hold on the horns of the altar.

1:51 And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah feareth king

Solomon: for, lo, he hath caught hold on the horns of the altar,

saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me today that he will not slay his

servant with the sword.

1:52 And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man, there

shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be

found in him, he shall die.

1:53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar.

And he came and bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto

him, Go to thine house.

2:1 Now the days of David drew nigh that he should die; and he charged

Solomon his son, saying, 2:2 I go the way of all the earth: be thou

strong therefore, and shew thyself a man; 2:3 And keep the charge of

the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his

commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written

in the law of Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest,

and whithersoever thou turnest thyself: 2:4 That the LORD may continue

his word which he spake concerning me, saying, If thy children take

heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and

with all their soul, there shall not fail thee (said he) a man on the

throne of Israel.

2:5 Moreover thou knowest also what Joab the son of Zeruiah did to me,

and what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto Abner

the son of Ner, and unto Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and

shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his

girdle that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his

feet.

2:6 Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go

down to the grave in peace.

2:7 But shew kindness unto the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and

let them be of those that eat at thy table: for so they came to me

when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.

2:8 And, behold, thou hast with thee Shimei the son of Gera, a

Benjamite of Bahurim, which cursed me with a grievous curse in the day

when I went to Mahanaim: but he came down to meet me at Jordan, and I

sware to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put thee to death with

the sword.

2:9 Now therefore hold him not guiltless: for thou art a wise man, and

knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him; but his hoar head bring

thou down to the grave with blood.

2:10 So David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of

David.

2:11 And the days that David reigned over Israel were forty years:

seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned

he in Jerusalem.

2:12 Then sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father; and his

kingdom was established greatly.

2:13 And Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bathsheba the mother of

Solomon. And she said, Comest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.

2:14 He said moreover, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And she said,

Say on.

2:15 And he said, Thou knowest that the kingdom was mine, and that all

Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign: howbeit the kingdom

is turned about, and is become my brother's: for it was his from the

LORD.

2:16 And now I ask one petition of thee, deny me not. And she said

unto him, Say on.

2:17 And he said, Speak, I pray thee, unto Solomon the king, (for he

will not say thee nay,) that he give me Abishag the Shunammite to

wife.

2:18 And Bathsheba said, Well; I will speak for thee unto the king.

2:19 Bathsheba therefore went unto king Solomon, to speak unto him for

Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto

her, and sat down on his throne, and caused a seat to be set for the

king's mother; and she sat on his right hand.

2:20 Then she said, I desire one small petition of thee; I pray thee,

say me not nay. And the king said unto her, Ask on, my mother: for I

will not say thee nay.

2:21 And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given to Adonijah thy

brother to wife.

2:22 And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, And why dost

thou ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom

also; for he is mine elder brother; even for him, and for Abiathar the

priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah.

2:23 Then king Solomon sware by the LORD, saying, God do so to me, and

more also, if Adonijah have not spoken this word against his own life.

2:24 Now therefore, as the LORD liveth, which hath established me, and

set me on the throne of David my father, and who hath made me an

house, as he promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day.

2:25 And king Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the son of Jehoiada;

and he fell upon him that he died.

2:26 And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, Get thee to Anathoth,

unto thine own fields; for thou art worthy of death: but I will not at

this time put thee to death, because thou barest the ark of the LORD

God before David my father, and because thou hast been afflicted in

all wherein my father was afflicted.

2:27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD;

that he might fulfil the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning

the house of Eli in Shiloh.

2:28 Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah,

though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle

of the LORD, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.

2:29 And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the

tabernacle of the LORD; and, behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon

sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him.

2:30 And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto

him, Thus saith the king, Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die

here. And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, Thus said Joab,

and thus he answered me.

2:31 And the king said unto him, Do as he hath said, and fall upon

him, and bury him; that thou mayest take away the innocent blood,

which Joab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.

2:32 And the LORD shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell

upon two men more righteous and better than he, and slew them with the

sword, my father David not knowing thereof, to wit, Abner the son of

Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of Jether,

captain of the host of Judah.

2:33 Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and

upon the head of his seed for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed,

and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall there be peace for ever

from the LORD.

2:34 So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and

slew him: and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.

2:35 And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the

host: and Zadok the priest did the king put in the room of Abiathar.

2:36 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Build

thee an house in Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth thence

any whither.

2:37 For it shall be, that on the day thou goest out, and passest over

the brook Kidron, thou shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely

die: thy blood shall be upon thine own head.

2:38 And Shimei said unto the king, The saying is good: as my lord the

king hath said, so will thy servant do. And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem

many days.

2:39 And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the

servants of Shimei ran away unto Achish son of Maachah king of Gath.

And they told Shimei, saying, Behold, thy servants be in Gath.

2:40 And Shimei arose, and saddled his ass, and went to Gath to Achish

to seek his servants: and Shimei went, and brought his servants from

Gath.

2:41 And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to

Gath, and was come again.

2:42 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Did I

not make thee to swear by the LORD, and protested unto thee, saying,

Know for a certain, on the day thou goest out, and walkest abroad any

whither, that thou shalt surely die? and thou saidst unto me, The word

that I have heard is good.

2:43 Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and the

commandment that I have charged thee with? 2:44 The king said

moreover to Shimei, Thou knowest all the wickedness which thine heart

is privy to, that thou didst to David my father: therefore the LORD

shall return thy wickedness upon thine own head; 2:45 And king Solomon

shall be blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before

the LORD for ever.

2:46 So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; which went

out, and fell upon him, that he died. And the kingdom was established

in the hand of Solomon.

3:1 And Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took

Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the city of David, until he

had made an end of building his own house, and the house of the LORD,

and the wall of Jerusalem round about.

3:2 Only the people sacrificed in high places, because there was no

house built unto the name of the LORD, until those days.

3:3 And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his

father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.

3:4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; for that was the

great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon

that altar.

3:5 In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and

God said, Ask what I shall give thee.

3:6 And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my

father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and

in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast

kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to

sit on his throne, as it is this day.

3:7 And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of

David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out

or come in.

3:8 And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast

chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for

multitude.

3:9 Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy

people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to

judge this thy so great a people? 3:10 And the speech pleased the

LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing.

3:11 And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and

hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for

thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for

thyself understanding to discern judgment; 3:12 Behold, I have done

according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an

understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee,

neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.

3:13 And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both

riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings

like unto thee all thy days.

3:14 And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my

commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy

days.

3:15 And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to

Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and

offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a

feast to all his servants.

3:16 Then came there two women, that were harlots, unto the king, and

stood before him.

3:17 And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one

house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house.

3:18 And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered,

that this woman was delivered also: and we were together; there was no

stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house.

3:19 And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid

it.

3:20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while

thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead

child in my bosom.

3:21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it

was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was

not my son, which I did bear.

3:22 And the other woman said, Nay; but the living is my son, and the

dead is thy son. And this said, No; but the dead is thy son, and the

living is my son. Thus they spake before the king.

3:23 Then said the king, The one saith, This is my son that liveth,

and thy son is the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son is the

dead, and my son is the living.

3:24 And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword

before the king.

3:25 And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half

to the one, and half to the other.

3:26 Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king,

for her bowels yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her

the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it

be neither mine nor thine, but divide it.

3:27 Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and

in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof.

3:28 And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged;

and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God was in

him, to do judgment.

4:1 So king Solomon was king over all Israel.

4:2 And these were the princes which he had; Azariah the son of Zadok

the priest, 4:3 Elihoreph and Ahiah, the sons of Shisha, scribes;

Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the recorder.

4:4 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the host: and Zadok and

Abiathar were the priests: 4:5 And Azariah the son of Nathan was over

the officers: and Zabud the son of Nathan was principal officer, and

the king's friend: 4:6 And Ahishar was over the household: and

Adoniram the son of Abda was over the tribute.

4:7 And Solomon had twelve officers over all Israel, which provided

victuals for the king and his household: each man his month in a year

made provision.

4:8 And these are their names: The son of Hur, in mount Ephraim: 4:9

The son of Dekar, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Bethshemesh, and

Elonbethhanan: 4:10 The son of Hesed, in Aruboth; to him pertained

Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher: 4:11 The son of Abinadab, in all

the region of Dor; which had Taphath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

4:12 Baana the son of Ahilud; to him pertained Taanach and Megiddo,

and all Bethshean, which is by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from

Bethshean to Abelmeholah, even unto the place that is beyond Jokneam:

4:13 The son of Geber, in Ramothgilead; to him pertained the towns of

Jair the son of Manasseh, which are in Gilead; to him also pertained

the region of Argob, which is in Bashan, threescore great cities with

walls and brasen bars: 4:14 Ahinadab the son of Iddo had Mahanaim:

4:15 Ahimaaz was in Naphtali; he also took Basmath the daughter of

Solomon to wife: 4:16 Baanah the son of Hushai was in Asher and in

Aloth: 4:17 Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar: 4:18 Shimei

the son of Elah, in Benjamin: 4:19 Geber the son of Uri was in the

country of Gilead, in the country of Sihon king of the Amorites, and

of Og king of Bashan; and he was the only officer which was in the

land.

4:20 Judah and Israel were many, as the sand which is by the sea in

multitude, eating and drinking, and making merry.

4:21 And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from the river unto the

land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they brought

presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life.

4:22 And Solomon's provision for one day was thirty measures of fine

flour, and threescore measures of meal, 4:23 Ten fat oxen, and twenty

oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheep, beside harts, and

roebucks, and fallowdeer, and fatted fowl.

4:24 For he had dominion over all the region on this side the river,

from Tiphsah even to Azzah, over all the kings on this side the river:

and he had peace on all sides round about him.

4:25 And Judah and Israel dwelt safely, every man under his vine and

under his fig tree, from Dan even to Beersheba, all the days of

Solomon.

4:26 And Solomon had forty thousand stalls of horses for his chariots,

and twelve thousand horsemen.

4:27 And those officers provided victual for king Solomon, and for all

that came unto king Solomon's table, every man in his month: they

lacked nothing.

4:28 Barley also and straw for the horses and dromedaries brought they

unto the place where the officers were, every man according to his

charge.

4:29 And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and

largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore.

4:30 And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of

the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt.

4:31 For he was wiser than all men; than Ethan the Ezrahite, and

Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in

all nations round about.

4:32 And he spake three thousand proverbs: and his songs were a

thousand and five.

4:33 And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree that is in Lebanon

even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall: he spake also of

beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and of fishes.

4:34 And there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from

all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisdom.

5:1 And Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants unto Solomon; for he had

heard that they had anointed him king in the room of his father: for

Hiram was ever a lover of David.

5:2 And Solomon sent to Hiram, saying, 5:3 Thou knowest how that David

my father could not build an house unto the name of the LORD his God

for the wars which were about him on every side, until the LORD put

them under the soles of his feet.

5:4 But now the LORD my God hath given me rest on every side, so that

there is neither adversary nor evil occurrent.

5:5 And, behold, I purpose to build an house unto the name of the LORD

my God, as the LORD spake unto David my father, saying, Thy son, whom

I will set upon thy throne in thy room, he shall build an house unto

my name.

5:6 Now therefore command thou that they hew me cedar trees out of

Lebanon; and my servants shall be with thy servants: and unto thee

will I give hire for thy servants according to all that thou shalt

appoint: for thou knowest that there is not among us any that can

skill to hew timber like unto the Sidonians.

5:7 And it came to pass, when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that

he rejoiced greatly, and said, Blessed be the LORD this day, which

hath given unto David a wise son over this great people.

5:8 And Hiram sent to Solomon, saying, I have considered the things

which thou sentest to me for: and I will do all thy desire concerning

timber of cedar, and concerning timber of fir.

5:9 My servants shall bring them down from Lebanon unto the sea: and I

will convey them by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt

appoint me, and will cause them to be discharged there, and thou shalt

receive them: and thou shalt accomplish my desire, in giving food for

my household.

5:10 So Hiram gave Solomon cedar trees and fir trees according to all

his desire.

5:11 And Solomon gave Hiram twenty thousand measures of wheat for food

to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon

to Hiram year by year.

5:12 And the LORD gave Solomon wisdom, as he promised him: and there

was peace between Hiram and Solomon; and they two made a league

together.

5:13 And king Solomon raised a levy out of all Israel; and the levy

was thirty thousand men.

5:14 And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a

month they were in Lebanon, and two months at home: and Adoniram was

over the levy.

5:15 And Solomon had threescore and ten thousand that bare burdens,

and fourscore thousand hewers in the mountains; 5:16 Beside the chief

of Solomon's officers which were over the work, three thousand and

three hundred, which ruled over the people that wrought in the work.

5:17 And the king commanded, and they brought great stones, costly

stones, and hewed stones, to lay the foundation of the house.

5:18 And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders did hew them, and the

stonesquarers: so they prepared timber and stones to build the house.

6:1 And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after

the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the

fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which is

the second month, that he began to build the house of the LORD.

6:2 And the house which king Solomon built for the LORD, the length

thereof was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubits,

and the height thereof thirty cubits.

6:3 And the porch before the temple of the house, twenty cubits was

the length thereof, according to the breadth of the house; and ten

cubits was the breadth thereof before the house.

6:4 And for the house he made windows of narrow lights.

6:5 And against the wall of the house he built chambers round about,

against the walls of the house round about, both of the temple and of

the oracle: and he made chambers round about: 6:6 The nethermost

chamber was five cubits broad, and the middle was six cubits broad,

and the third was seven cubits broad: for without in the wall of the

house he made narrowed rests round about, that the beams should not be

fastened in the walls of the house.

6:7 And the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made

ready before it was brought thither: so that there was neither hammer

nor axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in

building.

6:8 The door for the middle chamber was in the right side of the

house: and they went up with winding stairs into the middle chamber,

and out of the middle into the third.

6:9 So he built the house, and finished it; and covered the house with

beams and boards of cedar.

6:10 And then he built chambers against all the house, five cubits

high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.

6:11 And the word of the LORD came to Solomon, saying, 6:12 Concerning

this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walk in my

statutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to

walk in them; then will I perform my word with thee, which I spake

unto David thy father: 6:13 And I will dwell among the children of

Israel, and will not forsake my people Israel.

6:14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.

6:15 And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar,

both the floor of the house, and the walls of the ceiling: and he

covered them on the inside with wood, and covered the floor of the

house with planks of fir.

6:16 And he built twenty cubits on the sides of the house, both the

floor and the walls with boards of cedar: he even built them for it

within, even for the oracle, even for the most holy place.

6:17 And the house, that is, the temple before it, was forty cubits

long.

6:18 And the cedar of the house within was carved with knops and open

flowers: all was cedar; there was no stone seen.

6:19 And the oracle he prepared in the house within, to set there the

ark of the covenant of the LORD.

6:20 And the oracle in the forepart was twenty cubits in length, and

twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and

he overlaid it with pure gold; and so covered the altar which was of

cedar.

6:21 So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made

a partition by the chains of gold before the oracle; and he overlaid

it with gold.

6:22 And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until he had finished

all the house: also the whole altar that was by the oracle he overlaid

with gold.

6:23 And within the oracle he made two cherubims of olive tree, each

ten cubits high.

6:24 And five cubits was the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits

the other wing of the cherub: from the uttermost part of the one wing

unto the uttermost part of the other were ten cubits.

6:25 And the other cherub was ten cubits: both the cherubims were of

one measure and one size.

6:26 The height of the one cherub was ten cubits, and so was it of the

other cherub.

6:27 And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and they

stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the

one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the

other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the

house.

6:28 And he overlaid the cherubims with gold.

6:29 And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved

figures of cherubims and palm trees and open flowers, within and

without.

6:30 And the floors of the house he overlaid with gold, within and

without.

6:31 And for the entering of the oracle he made doors of olive tree:

the lintel and side posts were a fifth part of the wall.

6:32 The two doors also were of olive tree; and he carved upon them

carvings of cherubims and palm trees and open flowers, and overlaid

them with gold, and spread gold upon the cherubims, and upon the palm

trees.

6:33 So also made he for the door of the temple posts of olive tree, a

fourth part of the wall.

6:34 And the two doors were of fir tree: the two leaves of the one

door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding.

6:35 And he carved thereon cherubims and palm trees and open flowers:

and covered them with gold fitted upon the carved work.

6:36 And he built the inner court with three rows of hewed stone, and

a row of cedar beams.

6:37 In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of the LORD

laid, in the month Zif: 6:38 And in the eleventh year, in the month

Bul, which is the eighth month, was the house finished throughout all

the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he

seven years in building it.

7:1 But Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he

finished all his house.

7:2 He built also the house of the forest of Lebanon; the length

thereof was an hundred cubits, and the breadth thereof fifty cubits,

and the height thereof thirty cubits, upon four rows of cedar pillars,

with cedar beams upon the pillars.

7:3 And it was covered with cedar above upon the beams, that lay on

forty five pillars, fifteen in a row.

7:4 And there were windows in three rows, and light was against light

in three ranks.

7:5 And all the doors and posts were square, with the windows: and

light was against light in three ranks.

7:6 And he made a porch of pillars; the length thereof was fifty

cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits: and the porch was

before them: and the other pillars and the thick beam were before

them.

7:7 Then he made a porch for the throne where he might judge, even the

porch of judgment: and it was covered with cedar from one side of the

floor to the other.

7:8 And his house where he dwelt had another court within the porch,

which was of the like work. Solomon made also an house for Pharaoh's

daughter, whom he had taken to wife, like unto this porch.

7:9 All these were of costly stones, according to the measures of

hewed stones, sawed with saws, within and without, even from the

foundation unto the coping, and so on the outside toward the great

court.

7:10 And the foundation was of costly stones, even great stones,

stones of ten cubits, and stones of eight cubits.

7:11 And above were costly stones, after the measures of hewed stones,

and cedars.

7:12 And the great court round about was with three rows of hewed

stones, and a row of cedar beams, both for the inner court of the

house of the LORD, and for the porch of the house.

7:13 And king Solomon sent and fetched Hiram out of Tyre.

7:14 He was a widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali, and his father was

a man of Tyre, a worker in brass: and he was filled with wisdom, and

understanding, and cunning to work all works in brass. And he came to

king Solomon, and wrought all his work.

7:15 For he cast two pillars of brass, of eighteen cubits high apiece:

and a line of twelve cubits did compass either of them about.

7:16 And he made two chapiters of molten brass, to set upon the tops

of the pillars: the height of the one chapiter was five cubits, and

the height of the other chapiter was five cubits: 7:17 And nets of

checker work, and wreaths of chain work, for the chapiters which were

upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one chapiter, and seven for

the other chapiter.

7:18 And he made the pillars, and two rows round about upon the one

network, to cover the chapiters that were upon the top, with

pomegranates: and so did he for the other chapiter.

7:19 And the chapiters that were upon the top of the pillars were of

lily work in the porch, four cubits.

7:20 And the chapiters upon the two pillars had pomegranates also

above, over against the belly which was by the network: and the

pomegranates were two hundred in rows round about upon the other

chapiter.

7:21 And he set up the pillars in the porch of the temple: and he set

up the right pillar, and called the name thereof Jachin: and he set up

the left pillar, and called the name thereof Boaz.

7:22 And upon the top of the pillars was lily work: so was the work of

the pillars finished.

7:23 And he made a molten sea, ten cubits from the one brim to the

other: it was round all about, and his height was five cubits: and a

line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.

7:24 And under the brim of it round about there were knops compassing

it, ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about: the knops were

cast in two rows, when it was cast.

7:25 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and

three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and

three looking toward the east: and the sea was set above upon them,

and all their hinder parts were inward.

7:26 And it was an hand breadth thick, and the brim thereof was

wrought like the brim of a cup, with flowers of lilies: it contained

two thousand baths.

7:27 And he made ten bases of brass; four cubits was the length of one

base, and four cubits the breadth thereof, and three cubits the height

of it.

7:28 And the work of the bases was on this manner: they had borders,

and the borders were between the ledges: 7:29 And on the borders that

were between the ledges were lions, oxen, and cherubims: and upon the

ledges there was a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen were

certain additions made of thin work.

7:30 And every base had four brasen wheels, and plates of brass: and

the four corners thereof had undersetters: under the laver were

undersetters molten, at the side of every addition.

7:31 And the mouth of it within the chapiter and above was a cubit:

but the mouth thereof was round after the work of the base, a cubit

and an half: and also upon the mouth of it were gravings with their

borders, foursquare, not round.

7:32 And under the borders were four wheels; and the axletrees of the

wheels were joined to the base: and the height of a wheel was a cubit

and half a cubit.

7:33 And the work of the wheels was like the work of a chariot wheel:

their axletrees, and their naves, and their felloes, and their spokes,

were all molten.

7:34 And there were four undersetters to the four corners of one base:

and the undersetters were of the very base itself.

7:35 And in the top of the base was there a round compass of half a

cubit high: and on the top of the base the ledges thereof and the

borders thereof were of the same.

7:36 For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and on the borders

thereof, he graved cherubims, lions, and palm trees, according to the

proportion of every one, and additions round about.

7:37 After this manner he made the ten bases: all of them had one

casting, one measure, and one size.

7:38 Then made he ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty

baths: and every laver was four cubits: and upon every one of the ten

bases one laver.

7:39 And he put five bases on the right side of the house, and five on

the left side of the house: and he set the sea on the right side of

the house eastward over against the south.

7:40 And Hiram made the lavers, and the shovels, and the basons. So

Hiram made an end of doing all the work that he made king Solomon for

the house of the LORD: 7:41 The two pillars, and the two bowls of the

chapiters that were on the top of the two pillars; and the two

networks, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters which were upon the

top of the pillars; 7:42 And four hundred pomegranates for the two

networks, even two rows of pomegranates for one network, to cover the

two bowls of the chapiters that were upon the pillars; 7:43 And the

ten bases, and ten lavers on the bases; 7:44 And one sea, and twelve

oxen under the sea; 7:45 And the pots, and the shovels, and the

basons: and all these vessels, which Hiram made to king Solomon for

the house of the LORD, were of bright brass.

7:46 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground

between Succoth and Zarthan.

7:47 And Solomon left all the vessels unweighed, because they were

exceeding many: neither was the weight of the brass found out.

7:48 And Solomon made all the vessels that pertained unto the house of

the LORD: the altar of gold, and the table of gold, whereupon the

shewbread was, 7:49 And the candlesticks of pure gold, five on the

right side, and five on the left, before the oracle, with the flowers,

and the lamps, and the tongs of gold, 7:50 And the bowls, and the

snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the censers of pure

gold; and the hinges of gold, both for the doors of the inner house,

the most holy place, and for the doors of the house, to wit, of the

temple.

7:51 So was ended all the work that king Solomon made for the house of

the LORD. And Solomon brought in the things which David his father had

dedicated; even the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, did he put

among the treasures of the house of the LORD.

8:1 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of

the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto

king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the

covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which is Zion.

8:2 And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon

at the feast in the month Ethanim, which is the seventh month.

8:3 And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the

ark.

8:4 And they brought up the ark of the LORD, and the tabernacle of the

congregation, and all the holy vessels that were in the tabernacle,

even those did the priests and the Levites bring up.

8:5 And king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel, that were

assembled unto him, were with him before the ark, sacrificing sheep

and oxen, that could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

8:6 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD

unto his place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy place,

even under the wings of the cherubims.

8:7 For the cherubims spread forth their two wings over the place of

the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof

above.

8:8 And they drew out the staves, that the ends of the staves were

seen out in the holy place before the oracle, and they were not seen

without: and there they are unto this day.

8:9 There was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone, which

Moses put there at Horeb, when the LORD made a covenant with the

children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt.

8:10 And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy

place, that the cloud filled the house of the LORD, 8:11 So that the

priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the

glory of the LORD had filled the house of the LORD.

8:12 Then spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell in the

thick darkness.

8:13 I have surely built thee an house to dwell in, a settled place

for thee to abide in for ever.

8:14 And the king turned his face about, and blessed all the

congregation of Israel: (and all the congregation of Israel stood;)

8:15 And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, which spake with

his mouth unto David my father, and hath with his hand fulfilled it,

saying, 8:16 Since the day that I brought forth my people Israel out

of Egypt, I chose no city out of all the tribes of Israel to build an

house, that my name might be therein; but I chose David to be over my

people Israel.

8:17 And it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for

the name of the LORD God of Israel.

8:18 And the LORD said unto David my father, Whereas it was in thine

heart to build an house unto my name, thou didst well that it was in

thine heart.

8:19 Nevertheless thou shalt not build the house; but thy son that

shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house unto my

name.

8:20 And the LORD hath performed his word that he spake, and I am

risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of

Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built an house for the name of

the LORD God of Israel.

8:21 And I have set there a place for the ark, wherein is the covenant

of the LORD, which he made with our fathers, when he brought them out

of the land of Egypt.

8:22 And Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of

all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward

heaven: 8:23 And he said, LORD God of Israel, there is no God like

thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keepest covenant and

mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart:

8:24 Who hast kept with thy servant David my father that thou

promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled

it with thine hand, as it is this day.

8:25 Therefore now, LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my

father that thou promisedst him, saying, There shall not fail thee a

man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; so that thy children

take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast walked

before me.

8:26 And now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified,

which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father.

8:27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and

heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I

have builded? 8:28 Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy

servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the

cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee to day:

8:29 That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even

toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there: that

thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make

toward this place.

8:30 And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy

people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear thou

in heaven thy dwelling place: and when thou hearest, forgive.

8:31 If any man trespass against his neighbour, and an oath be laid

upon him to cause him to swear, and the oath come before thine altar

in this house: 8:32 Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy

servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head; and

justifying the righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.

8:33 When thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because

they have sinned against thee, and shall turn again to thee, and

confess thy name, and pray, and make supplication unto thee in this

house: 8:34 Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy

people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest

unto their fathers.

8:35 When heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have

sinned against thee; if they pray toward this place, and confess thy

name, and turn from their sin, when thou afflictest them: 8:36 Then

hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy

people Israel, that thou teach them the good way wherein they should

walk, and give rain upon thy land, which thou hast given to thy people

for an inheritance.

8:37 If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blasting,

mildew, locust, or if there be caterpiller; if their enemy besiege

them in the land of their cities; whatsoever plague, whatsoever

sickness there be; 8:38 What prayer and supplication soever be made by

any man, or by all thy people Israel, which shall know every man the

plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

8:39 Then hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and do,

and give to every man according to his ways, whose heart thou knowest;

(for thou, even thou only, knowest the hearts of all the children of

men;) 8:40 That they may fear thee all the days that they live in the

land which thou gavest unto our fathers.

8:41 Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of thy people Israel,

but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake; 8:42 (For they

shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy

stretched out arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house;

8:43 Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all

that the stranger calleth to thee for: that all people of the earth

may know thy name, to fear thee, as do thy people Israel; and that

they may know that this house, which I have builded, is called by thy

name.

8:44 If thy people go out to battle against their enemy, whithersoever

thou shalt send them, and shall pray unto the LORD toward the city

which thou hast chosen, and toward the house that I have built for thy

name: 8:45 Then hear thou in heaven their prayer and their

supplication, and maintain their cause.

8:46 If they sin against thee, (for there is no man that sinneth not,)

and thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that

they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy, far or near;

8:47 Yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land whither they

were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto thee in

the land of them that carried them captives, saying, We have sinned,

and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness; 8:48 And so

return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the

land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and pray unto thee

toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, the city

which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name:

8:49 Then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy

dwelling place, and maintain their cause, 8:50 And forgive thy people

that have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions wherein

they have transgressed against thee, and give them compassion before

them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:

8:51 For they be thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou

broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron:

8:52 That thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy servant,

and unto the supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken unto them

in all that they call for unto thee.

8:53 For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the

earth, to be thine inheritance, as thou spakest by the hand of Moses

thy servant, when thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O LORD

God.

8:54 And it was so, that when Solomon had made an end of praying all

this prayer and supplication unto the LORD, he arose from before the

altar of the LORD, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread up

to heaven.

8:55 And he stood, and blessed all the congregation of Israel with a

loud voice, saying, 8:56 Blessed be the LORD, that hath given rest

unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath

not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the

hand of Moses his servant.

8:57 The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him

not leave us, nor forsake us: 8:58 That he may incline our hearts unto

him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his

statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.

8:59 And let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before

the LORD, be nigh unto the LORD our God day and night, that he

maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people Israel

at all times, as the matter shall require: 8:60 That all the people of

the earth may know that the LORD is God, and that there is none else.

8:61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to

walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

8:62 And the king, and all Israel with him, offered sacrifice before

the LORD.

8:63 And Solomon offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he

offered unto the LORD, two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred

and twenty thousand sheep. So the king and all the children of Israel

dedicated the house of the LORD.

8:64 The same day did the king hallow the middle of the court that was

before the house of the LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings,

and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings: because the

brasen altar that was before the LORD was too little to receive the

burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace

offerings.

8:65 And at that time Solomon held a feast, and all Israel with him, a

great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of

Egypt, before the LORD our God, seven days and seven days, even

fourteen days.

8:66 On the eighth day he sent the people away: and they blessed the

king, and went unto their tents joyful and glad of heart for all the

goodness that the LORD had done for David his servant, and for Israel

his people.

9:1 And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the

house of the LORD, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire

which he was pleased to do, 9:2 That the LORD appeared to Solomon the

second time, as he had appeared unto him at Gibeon.

9:3 And the LORD said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy

supplication, that thou hast made before me: I have hallowed this

house, which thou hast built, to put my name there for ever; and mine

eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

9:4 And if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, in

integrity of heart, and in uprightness, to do according to all that I

have commanded thee, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments: 9:5

Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever,

as I promised to David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a

man upon the throne of Israel.

9:6 But if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your

children, and will not keep my commandments and my statutes which I

have set before you, but go and serve other gods, and worship them:

9:7 Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given

them; and this house, which I have hallowed for my name, will I cast

out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and a byword among all

people: 9:8 And at this house, which is high, every one that passeth

by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they shall say, Why

hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and to this house? 9:9 And

they shall answer, Because they forsook the LORD their God, who

brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and have taken

hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them:

therefore hath the LORD brought upon them all this evil.

9:10 And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, when Solomon had

built the two houses, the house of the LORD, and the king's house,

9:11 (Now Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar

trees and fir trees, and with gold, according to all his desire,) that

then king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in the land of Galilee.

9:12 And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had

given him; and they pleased him not.

9:13 And he said, What cities are these which thou hast given me, my

brother? And he called them the land of Cabul unto this day.

9:14 And Hiram sent to the king sixscore talents of gold.

9:15 And this is the reason of the levy which king Solomon raised; for

to build the house of the LORD, and his own house, and Millo, and the

wall of Jerusalem, and Hazor, and Megiddo, and Gezer.

9:16 For Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up, and taken Gezer, and burnt

it with fire, and slain the Canaanites that dwelt in the city, and

given it for a present unto his daughter, Solomon's wife.

9:17 And Solomon built Gezer, and Bethhoron the nether, 9:18 And

Baalath, and Tadmor in the wilderness, in the land, 9:19 And all the

cities of store that Solomon had, and cities for his chariots, and

cities for his horsemen, and that which Solomon desired to build in

Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion.

9:20 And all the people that were left of the Amorites, Hittites,

Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites, which were not of the children of

Israel, 9:21 Their children that were left after them in the land,

whom the children of Israel also were not able utterly to destroy,

upon those did Solomon levy a tribute of bondservice unto this day.

9:22 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no bondmen: but

they were men of war, and his servants, and his princes, and his

captains, and rulers of his chariots, and his horsemen.

9:23 These were the chief of the officers that were over Solomon's

work, five hundred and fifty, which bare rule over the people that

wrought in the work.

9:24 But Pharaoh's daughter came up out of the city of David unto her

house which Solomon had built for her: then did he build Millo.

9:25 And three times in a year did Solomon offer burnt offerings and

peace offerings upon the altar which he built unto the LORD, and he

burnt incense upon the altar that was before the LORD. So he finished

the house.

9:26 And king Solomon made a navy of ships in Eziongeber, which is

beside Eloth, on the shore of the Red sea, in the land of Edom.

9:27 And Hiram sent in the navy his servants, shipmen that had

knowledge of the sea, with the servants of Solomon.

9:28 And they came to Ophir, and fetched from thence gold, four

hundred and twenty talents, and brought it to king Solomon.

10:1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon

concerning the name of the LORD, she came to prove him with hard

questions.

10:2 And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels

that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when

she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her

heart.

10:3 And Solomon told her all her questions: there was not any thing

hid from the king, which he told her not.

10:4 And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and

the house that he had built, 10:5 And the meat of his table, and the

sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and

their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up

unto the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.

10:6 And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in

mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom.

10:7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had

seen it: and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom and

prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

10:8 Happy are thy men, happy are these thy servants, which stand

continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom.

10:9 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee

on the throne of Israel: because the LORD loved Israel for ever,

therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and justice.

10:10 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and

of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more

such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to

king Solomon.

10:11 And the navy also of Hiram, that brought gold from Ophir,

brought in from Ophir great plenty of almug trees, and precious

stones.

10:12 And the king made of the almug trees pillars for the house of

the LORD, and for the king's house, harps also and psalteries for

singers: there came no such almug trees, nor were seen unto this day.

10:13 And king Solomon gave unto the queen of Sheba all her desire,

whatsoever she asked, beside that which Solomon gave her of his royal

bounty.

So she turned and went to her own country, she and her servants.

10:14 Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six

hundred threescore and six talents of gold, 10:15 Beside that he had

of the merchantmen, and of the traffick of the spice merchants, and of

all the kings of Arabia, and of the governors of the country.

10:16 And king Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold: six

hundred shekels of gold went to one target.

10:17 And he made three hundred shields of beaten gold; three pound of

gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the

forest of Lebanon.

10:18 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it

with the best gold.

10:19 The throne had six steps, and the top of the throne was round

behind: and there were stays on either side on the place of the seat,

and two lions stood beside the stays.

10:20 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other

upon the six steps: there was not the like made in any kingdom.

10:21 And all king Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all

the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold;

none were of silver: it was nothing accounted of in the days of

Solomon.

10:22 For the king had at sea a navy of Tharshish with the navy of

Hiram: once in three years came the navy of Tharshish, bringing gold,

and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

10:23 So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches

and for wisdom.

10:24 And all the earth sought to Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which

God had put in his heart.

10:25 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and

vessels of gold, and garments, and armour, and spices, horses, and

mules, a rate year by year.

10:26 And Solomon gathered together chariots and horsemen: and he had

a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen,

whom he bestowed in the cities for chariots, and with the king at

Jerusalem.

10:27 And the king made silver to be in Jerusalem as stones, and

cedars made he to be as the sycomore trees that are in the vale, for

abundance.

10:28 And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the

king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.

10:29 And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred

shekels of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so for

all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, did they

bring them out by their means.

11:1 But king Solomon loved many strange women, together with the

daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites,

Zidonians, and Hittites: 11:2 Of the nations concerning which the LORD

said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither

shall they come in unto you: for surely they will turn away your heart

after their gods: Solomon clave unto these in love.

11:3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred

concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.

11:4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned

away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with

the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father.

11:5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians,

and after Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites.

11:6 And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully

after the LORD, as did David his father.

11:7 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination

of Moab, in the hill that is before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the

abomination of the children of Ammon.

11:8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt

incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

11:9 And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned

from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice, 11:10

And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go

after other gods: but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.

11:11 Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done

of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I

have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and

will give it to thy servant.

11:12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for David thy

father's sake: but I will rend it out of the hand of thy son.

11:13 Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; but will give one

tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake

which I have chosen.

11:14 And the LORD stirred up an adversary unto Solomon, Hadad the

Edomite: he was of the king's seed in Edom.

11:15 For it came to pass, when David was in Edom, and Joab the

captain of the host was gone up to bury the slain, after he had

smitten every male in Edom; 11:16 (For six months did Joab remain

there with all Israel, until he had cut off every male in Edom:) 11:17

That Hadad fled, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with

him, to go into Egypt; Hadad being yet a little child.

11:18 And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran: and they took

men with them out of Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto Pharaoh king

of Egypt; which gave him an house, and appointed him victuals, and

gave him land.

11:19 And Hadad found great favour in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he

gave him to wife the sister of his own wife, the sister of Tahpenes

the queen.

11:20 And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his son, whom

Tahpenes weaned in Pharaoh's house: and Genubath was in Pharaoh's

household among the sons of Pharaoh.

11:21 And when Hadad heard in Egypt that David slept with his fathers,

and that Joab the captain of the host was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh,

Let me depart, that I may go to mine own country.

11:22 Then Pharaoh said unto him, But what hast thou lacked with me,

that, behold, thou seekest to go to thine own country? And he

answered, Nothing: howbeit let me go in any wise.

11:23 And God stirred him up another adversary, Rezon the son of

Eliadah, which fled from his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah: 11:24 And

he gathered men unto him, and became captain over a band, when David

slew them of Zobah: and they went to Damascus, and dwelt therein, and

reigned in Damascus.

11:25 And he was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon,

beside the mischief that Hadad did: and he abhorred Israel, and

reigned over Syria.

11:26 And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda,

Solomon's servant, whose mother's name was Zeruah, a widow woman, even

he lifted up his hand against the king.

11:27 And this was the cause that he lifted up his hand against the

king: Solomon built Millo, and repaired the breaches of the city of

David his father.

11:28 And the man Jeroboam was a mighty man of valour: and Solomon

seeing the young man that he was industrious, he made him ruler over

all the charge of the house of Joseph.

11:29 And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of

Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way;

and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two were alone in

the field: 11:30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that was on him,

and rent it in twelve pieces: 11:31 And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee

ten pieces: for thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Behold, I will

rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes

to thee: 11:32 (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's

sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of

all the tribes of Israel:) 11:33 Because that they have forsaken me,

and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh

the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon,

and have not walked in my ways, to do that which is right in mine

eyes, and to keep my statutes and my judgments, as did David his

father.

11:34 Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand: but I

will make him prince all the days of his life for David my servant's

sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes:

11:35 But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give

it unto thee, even ten tribes.

11:36 And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant

may have a light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have

chosen me to put my name there.

11:37 And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that

thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel.

11:38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command

thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that is right in my sight, to

keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I

will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David,

and will give Israel unto thee.

11:39 And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not for ever.

11:40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose,

and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt

until the death of Solomon.

11:41 And the rest of the acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and

his wisdom, are they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon?

11:42 And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel

was forty years.

11:43 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city

of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

12:1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem

to make him king.

12:2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was yet

in Egypt, heard of it, (for he was fled from the presence of king

Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;) 12:3 That they sent and called

him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake

unto Rehoboam, saying, 12:4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now

therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy

yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.

12:5 And he said unto them, Depart yet for three days, then come again

to me. And the people departed.

12:6 And king Rehoboam consulted with the old men, that stood before

Solomon his father while he yet lived, and said, How do ye advise that

I may answer this people? 12:7 And they spake unto him, saying, If

thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and wilt serve them,

and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be thy

servants for ever.

12:8 But he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given

him, and consulted with the young men that were grown up with him, and

which stood before him: 12:9 And he said unto them, What counsel give

ye that we may answer this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make

the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter? 12:10 And the

young men that were grown up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus

shalt thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy

father made our yoke heavy, but make thou it lighter unto us; thus

shalt thou say unto them, My little finger shall be thicker than my

father's loins.

12:11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will

add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will

chastise you with scorpions.

12:12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day,

as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.

12:13 And the king answered the people roughly, and forsook the old

men's counsel that they gave him; 12:14 And spake to them after the

counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and

I will add to your yoke: my father also chastised you with whips, but

I will chastise you with scorpions.

12:15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause

was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD

spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

12:16 So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them,

the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David?

neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O

Israel: now see to thine own house, David. So Israel departed unto

their tents.

12:17 But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of

Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

12:18 Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who was over the tribute; and

all Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. Therefore king

Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to

Jerusalem.

12:19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

12:20 And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was

come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and

made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house

of David, but the tribe of Judah only.

12:21 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the

house of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore

thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house

of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.

12:22 But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

12:23 Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto

all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people,

saying, 12:24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight

against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his

house; for this thing is from me. They hearkened therefore to the word

of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the

LORD.

12:25 Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein;

and went out from thence, and built Penuel.

12:26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to

the house of David: 12:27 If this people go up to do sacrifice in the

house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people

turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they

shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.

12:28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves of gold,

and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem:

behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of

Egypt.

12:29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.

12:30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went to worship

before the one, even unto Dan.

12:31 And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the

lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.

12:32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the

fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and

he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the

calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the

high places which he had made.

12:33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the

fifteenth day of the eighth month, even in the month which he had

devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of

Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.

13:1 And, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of

the LORD unto Bethel: and Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense.

13:2 And he cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said,

O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born

unto the house of David, Josiah by name; and upon thee shall he offer

the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men's

bones shall be burnt upon thee.

13:3 And he gave a sign the same day, saying, This is the sign which

the LORD hath spoken; Behold, the altar shall be rent, and the ashes

that are upon it shall be poured out.

13:4 And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the

man of God, which had cried against the altar in Bethel, that he put

forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him. And his hand,

which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it

in again to him.

13:5 The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar,

according to the sign which the man of God had given by the word of

the LORD.

13:6 And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Intreat now

the face of the LORD thy God, and pray for me, that my hand may be

restored me again. And the man of God besought the LORD, and the

king's hand was restored him again, and became as it was before.

13:7 And the king said unto the man of God, Come home with me, and

refresh thyself, and I will give thee a reward.

13:8 And the man of God said unto the king, If thou wilt give me half

thine house, I will not go in with thee, neither will I eat bread nor

drink water in this place: 13:9 For so was it charged me by the word

of the LORD, saying, Eat no bread, nor drink water, nor turn again by

the same way that thou camest.

13:10 So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came

to Bethel.

13:11 Now there dwelt an old prophet in Bethel; and his sons came and

told him all the works that the man of God had done that day in

Bethel: the words which he had spoken unto the king, them they told

also to their father.

13:12 And their father said unto them, What way went he? For his sons

had seen what way the man of God went, which came from Judah.

13:13 And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass. So they saddled

him the ass: and he rode thereon, 13:14 And went after the man of God,

and found him sitting under an oak: and he said unto him, Art thou the

man of God that camest from Judah? And he said, I am.

13:15 Then he said unto him, Come home with me, and eat bread.

13:16 And he said, I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee:

neither will I eat bread nor drink water with thee in this place:

13:17 For it was said to me by the word of the LORD, Thou shalt eat no

bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that thou

camest.

13:18 He said unto him, I am a prophet also as thou art; and an angel

spake unto me by the word of the LORD, saying, Bring him back with

thee into thine house, that he may eat bread and drink water. But he

lied unto him.

13:19 So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and

drank water.

13:20 And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of

the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back: 13:21 And he

cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith the

LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast

not kept the commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee, 13:22

But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of

the which the Lord did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water;

thy carcase shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy fathers.

13:23 And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had

drunk, that he saddled for him the ass, to wit, for the prophet whom

he had brought back.

13:24 And when he was gone, a lion met him by the way, and slew him:

and his carcase was cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion

also stood by the carcase.

13:25 And, behold, men passed by, and saw the carcase cast in the way,

and the lion standing by the carcase: and they came and told it in the

city where the old prophet dwelt.

13:26 And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard

thereof, he said, It is the man of God, who was disobedient unto the

word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath delivered him unto the lion,

which hath torn him, and slain him, according to the word of the LORD,

which he spake unto him.

13:27 And he spake to his sons, saying, Saddle me the ass. And they

saddled him.

13:28 And he went and found his carcase cast in the way, and the ass

and the lion standing by the carcase: the lion had not eaten the

carcase, nor torn the ass.

13:29 And the prophet took up the carcase of the man of God, and laid

it upon the ass, and brought it back: and the old prophet came to the

city, to mourn and to bury him.

13:30 And he laid his carcase in his own grave; and they mourned over

him, saying, Alas, my brother! 13:31 And it came to pass, after he

had buried him, that he spake to his sons, saying, When I am dead,

then bury me in the sepulchre wherein the man of God is buried; lay my

bones beside his bones: 13:32 For the saying which he cried by the

word of the LORD against the altar in Bethel, and against all the

houses of the high places which are in the cities of Samaria, shall

surely come to pass.

13:33 After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but

made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places:

whosoever would, he consecrated him, and he became one of the priests

of the high places.

13:34 And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to

cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth.

14:1 At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

14:2 And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and disguise

thyself, that thou be not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and get

thee to Shiloh: behold, there is Ahijah the prophet, which told me

that I should be king over this people.

14:3 And take with thee ten loaves, and cracknels, and a cruse of

honey, and go to him: he shall tell thee what shall become of the

child.

14:4 And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and

came to the house of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes

were set by reason of his age.

14:5 And the LORD said unto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Jeroboam

cometh to ask a thing of thee for her son; for he is sick: thus and

thus shalt thou say unto her: for it shall be, when she cometh in,

that she shall feign herself to be another woman.

14:6 And it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she

came in at the door, that he said, Come in, thou wife of Jeroboam; why

feignest thou thyself to be another? for I am sent to thee with heavy

tidings.

14:7 Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Forasmuch

as I exalted thee from among the people, and made thee prince over my

people Israel, 14:8 And rent the kingdom away from the house of David,

and gave it thee: and yet thou hast not been as my servant David, who

kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do

that only which was right in mine eyes; 14:9 But hast done evil above

all that were before thee: for thou hast gone and made thee other

gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and hast cast me

behind thy back: 14:10 Therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the

house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam him that pisseth

against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel, and will

take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, as a man taketh away

dung, till it be all gone.

14:11 Him that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and

him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat: for the

LORD hath spoken it.

14:12 Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine own house: and when thy

feet enter into the city, the child shall die.

14:13 And all Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him: for he only of

Jeroboam shall come to the grave, because in him there is found some

good thing toward the LORD God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam.

14:14 Moreover the LORD shall raise him up a king over Israel, who

shall cut off the house of Jeroboam that day: but what? even now.

14:15 For the LORD shall smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the

water, and he shall root up Israel out of this good land, which he

gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond the river,

because they have made their groves, provoking the LORD to anger.

14:16 And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who

did sin, and who made Israel to sin.

14:17 And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: and

when she came to the threshold of the door, the child died; 14:18 And

they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word

of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the

prophet.

14:19 And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he

reigned, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel.

14:20 And the days which Jeroboam reigned were two and twenty years:

and he slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead.

14:21 And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was

forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned

seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD did choose out

of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's

name was Naamah an Ammonitess.

14:22 And Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they provoked

him to jealousy with their sins which they had committed, above all

that their fathers had done.

14:23 For they also built them high places, and images, and groves, on

every high hill, and under every green tree.

14:24 And there were also sodomites in the land: and they did

according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD cast

out before the children of Israel.

14:25 And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that

Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem: 14:26 And he took

away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the

king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields

of gold which Solomon had made.

14:27 And king Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and

committed them unto the hands of the chief of the guard, which kept

the door of the king's house.

14:28 And it was so, when the king went into the house of the LORD,

that the guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard

chamber.

14:29 Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, are

they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

14:30 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all their days.

14:31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his

fathers in the city of David. And his mother's name was Naamah an

Ammonitess. And Abijam his son reigned in his stead.

15:1 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat

reigned Abijam over Judah.

15:2 Three years reigned he in Jerusalem. and his mother's name was

Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

15:3 And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done

before him: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as

the heart of David his father.

15:4 Nevertheless for David's sake did the LORD his God give him a

lamp in Jerusalem, to set up his son after him, and to establish

Jerusalem: 15:5 Because David did that which was right in the eyes of

the LORD, and turned not aside from any thing that he commanded him

all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the

Hittite.

15:6 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of

his life.

15:7 Now the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, are they

not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And

there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam.

15:8 And Abijam slept with his fathers; and they buried him in the

city of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead.

15:9 And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel reigned Asa

over Judah.

15:10 And forty and one years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his

mother's name was Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

15:11 And Asa did that which was right in the eyes of the LORD, as did

David his father.

15:12 And he took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed all

the idols that his fathers had made.

15:13 And also Maachah his mother, even her he removed from being

queen, because she had made an idol in a grove; and Asa destroyed her

idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron.

15:14 But the high places were not removed: nevertheless Asa's heart

was perfect with the LORD all his days.

15:15 And he brought in the things which his father had dedicated, and

the things which himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD,

silver, and gold, and vessels.

15:16 And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all

their days.

15:17 And Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and built

Ramah, that he might not suffer any to go out or come in to Asa king

of Judah.

15:18 Then Asa took all the silver and the gold that were left in the

treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's

house, and delivered them into the hand of his servants: and king Asa

sent them to Benhadad, the son of Tabrimon, the son of Hezion, king of

Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying, 15:19 There is a league between

me and thee, and between my father and thy father: behold, I have sent

unto thee a present of silver and gold; come and break thy league with

Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me.

15:20 So Benhadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of

the hosts which he had against the cities of Israel, and smote Ijon,

and Dan, and Abelbethmaachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the land of

Naphtali.

15:21 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard thereof, that he left off

building of Ramah, and dwelt in Tirzah.

15:22 Then king Asa made a proclamation throughout all Judah; none was

exempted: and they took away the stones of Ramah, and the timber

thereof, wherewith Baasha had builded; and king Asa built with them

Geba of Benjamin, and Mizpah.

15:23 The rest of all the acts of Asa, and all his might, and all that

he did, and the cities which he built, are they not written in the

book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? Nevertheless in the time

of his old age he was diseased in his feet.

15:24 And Asa slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers

in the city of David his father: and Jehoshaphat his son reigned in

his stead.

15:25 And Nadab the son of Jeroboam began to reign over Israel in the

second year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned over Israel two years.

15:26 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way

of his father, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.

15:27 And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar,

conspired against him; and Baasha smote him at Gibbethon, which

belonged to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to

Gibbethon.

15:28 Even in the third year of Asa king of Judah did Baasha slay him,

and reigned in his stead.

15:29 And it came to pass, when he reigned, that he smote all the

house of Jeroboam; he left not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he

had destroyed him, according unto the saying of the LORD, which he

spake by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite: 15:30 Because of the sins

of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his

provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger.

15:31 Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all that he did, are they

not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

15:32 And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all

their days.

15:33 In the third year of Asa king of Judah began Baasha the son of

Ahijah to reign over all Israel in Tirzah, twenty and four years.

15:34 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way

of Jeroboam, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.

16:1 Then the word of the LORD came to Jehu the son of Hanani against

Baasha, saying, 16:2 Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust, and

made thee prince over my people Israel; and thou hast walked in the

way of Jeroboam, and hast made my people Israel to sin, to provoke me

to anger with their sins; 16:3 Behold, I will take away the posterity

of Baasha, and the posterity of his house; and will make thy house

like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

16:4 Him that dieth of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him

that dieth of his in the fields shall the fowls of the air eat.

16:5 Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his

might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings

of Israel? 16:6 So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buried in

Tirzah: and Elah his son reigned in his stead.

16:7 And also by the hand of the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came

the word of the LORD against Baasha, and against his house, even for

all the evil that he did in the sight of the LORD, in provoking him to

anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam;

and because he killed him.

16:8 In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the

son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, two years.

16:9 And his servant Zimri, captain of half his chariots, conspired

against him, as he was in Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house

of Arza steward of his house in Tirzah.

16:10 And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty

and seventh year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead.

16:11 And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat

on his throne, that he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not

one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his

friends.

16:12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the

word of the LORD, which he spake against Baasha by Jehu the prophet.

16:13 For all the sins of Baasha, and the sins of Elah his son, by

which they sinned, and by which they made Israel to sin, in provoking

the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.

16:14 Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he did, are they

not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

16:15 In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah did Zimri

reign seven days in Tirzah. And the people were encamped against

Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines.

16:16 And the people that were encamped heard say, Zimri hath

conspired, and hath also slain the king: wherefore all Israel made

Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel that day in the camp.

16:17 And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and

they besieged Tirzah.

16:18 And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken,

that he went into the palace of the king's house, and burnt the king's

house over him with fire, and died.

16:19 For his sins which he sinned in doing evil in the sight of the

LORD, in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin which he did,

to make Israel to sin.

16:20 Now the rest of the acts of Zimri, and his treason that he

wrought, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel? 16:21 Then were the people of Israel divided into

two parts: half of the people followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to

make him king; and half followed Omri.

16:22 But the people that followed Omri prevailed against the people

that followed Tibni the son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri

reigned.

16:23 In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to

reign over Israel, twelve years: six years reigned he in Tirzah.

16:24 And he bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two talents of

silver, and built on the hill, and called the name of the city which

he built, after the name of Shemer, owner of the hill, Samaria.

16:25 But Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the LORD, and did worse

than all that were before him.

16:26 For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and

in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin, to provoke the LORD God of

Israel to anger with their vanities.

16:27 Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might

that he shewed, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of

the kings of Israel? 16:28 So Omri slept with his fathers, and was

buried in Samaria: and Ahab his son reigned in his stead.

16:29 And in the thirty and eighth year of Asa king of Judah began

Ahab the son of Omri to reign over Israel: and Ahab the son of Omri

reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty and two years.

16:30 And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD above

all that were before him.

16:31 And it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to

walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife

Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Zidonians, and went and

served Baal, and worshipped him.

16:32 And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which

he had built in Samaria.

16:33 And Ahab made a grove; and Ahab did more to provoke the LORD God

of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him.

16:34 In his days did Hiel the Bethelite build Jericho: he laid the

foundation thereof in Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates

thereof in his youngest son Segub, according to the word of the LORD,

which he spake by Joshua the son of Nun.

17:1 And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead,

said unto Ahab, As the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand,

there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.

17:2 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, 17:3 Get thee

hence, and turn thee eastward, and hide thyself by the brook Cherith,

that is before Jordan.

17:4 And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have

commanded the ravens to feed thee there.

17:5 So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he

went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, that is before Jordan.

17:6 And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and

bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook.

17:7 And it came to pass after a while, that the brook dried up,

because there had been no rain in the land.

17:8 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, 17:9 Arise, get

thee to Zarephath, which belongeth to Zidon, and dwell there: behold,

I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.

17:10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate

of the city, behold, the widow woman was there gathering of sticks:

and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water

in a vessel, that I may drink.

17:11 And as she was going to fetch it, he called to her, and said,

Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand.

17:12 And she said, As the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but

an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and,

behold, I am gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for

me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

17:13 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said:

but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and

after make for thee and for thy son.

17:14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall

not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day that the

LORD sendeth rain upon the earth.

17:15 And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she,

and he, and her house, did eat many days.

17:16 And the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil

fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.

17:17 And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the

woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so

sore, that there was no breath left in him.

17:18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou

man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and

to slay my son? 17:19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he

took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he

abode, and laid him upon his own bed.

17:20 And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou

also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her

son? 17:21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and

cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this

child's soul come into him again.

17:22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the

child came into him again, and he revived.

17:23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the

chamber into the house, and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah

said, See, thy son liveth.

17:24 And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou art a

man of God, and that the word of the LORD in thy mouth is truth.

18:1 And it came to pass after many days, that the word of the LORD

came to Elijah in the third year, saying, Go, shew thyself unto Ahab;

and I will send rain upon the earth.

18:2 And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab. And there was a sore

famine in Samaria.

18:3 And Ahab called Obadiah, which was the governor of his house.

(Now Obadiah feared the LORD greatly: 18:4 For it was so, when Jezebel

cut off the prophets of the LORD, that Obadiah took an hundred

prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and

water.) 18:5 And Ahab said unto Obadiah, Go into the land, unto all

fountains of water, and unto all brooks: peradventure we may find

grass to save the horses and mules alive, that we lose not all the

beasts.

18:6 So they divided the land between them to pass throughout it: Ahab

went one way by himself, and Obadiah went another way by himself.

18:7 And as Obadiah was in the way, behold, Elijah met him: and he

knew him, and fell on his face, and said, Art thou that my lord

Elijah? 18:8 And he answered him, I am: go, tell thy lord, Behold,

Elijah is here.

18:9 And he said, What have I sinned, that thou wouldest deliver thy

servant into the hand of Ahab, to slay me? 18:10 As the LORD thy God

liveth, there is no nation or kingdom, whither my lord hath not sent

to seek thee: and when they said, He is not there; he took an oath of

the kingdom and nation, that they found thee not.

18:11 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah is here.

18:12 And it shall come to pass, as soon as I am gone from thee, that

the Spirit of the LORD shall carry thee whither I know not; and so

when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find thee, he shall slay me:

but I thy servant fear the LORD from my youth.

18:13 Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the

prophets of the LORD, how I hid an hundred men of the LORD's prophets

by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water? 18:14 And now

thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah is here: and he shall

slay me.

18:15 And Elijah said, As the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I

stand, I will surely shew myself unto him to day.

18:16 So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him: and Ahab went to

meet Elijah.

18:17 And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto

him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel? 18:18 And he answered, I have

not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have

forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.

18:19 Now therefore send, and gather to me all Israel unto mount

Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the

prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.

18:20 So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and gathered the

prophets together unto mount Carmel.

18:21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye

between two opinions? if the LORD be God, follow him: but if Baal,

then follow him. And the people answered him not a word.

18:22 Then said Elijah unto the people, I, even I only, remain a

prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty

men.

18:23 Let them therefore give us two bullocks; and let them choose one

bullock for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay it on wood, and

put no fire under: and I will dress the other bullock, and lay it on

wood, and put no fire under: 18:24 And call ye on the name of your

gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that

answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and

said, It is well spoken.

18:25 And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one

bullock for yourselves, and dress it first; for ye are many; and call

on the name of your gods, but put no fire under.

18:26 And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed

it, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon,

saying, O Baal, hear us. But there was no voice, nor any that

answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made.

18:27 And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said,

Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing,

or he is in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth, and must be

awaked.

18:28 And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with

knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out upon them.

18:29 And it came to pass, when midday was past, and they prophesied

until the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that there

was neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that regarded.

18:30 And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all

the people came near unto him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD

that was broken down.

18:31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the

tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came,

saying, Israel shall be thy name: 18:32 And with the stones he built

an altar in the name of the LORD: and he made a trench about the

altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

18:33 And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and

laid him on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour

it on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.

18:34 And he said, Do it the second time. And they did it the second

time.

And he said, Do it the third time. And they did it the third time.

18:35 And the water ran round about the altar; and he filled the

trench also with water.

18:36 And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening

sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of

Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art

God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all

these things at thy word.

18:37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou

art the LORD God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

18:38 Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt

sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up

the water that was in the trench.

18:39 And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and

they said, The LORD, he is the God; the LORD, he is the God.

18:40 And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not

one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down

to the brook Kishon, and slew them there.

18:41 And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for there

is a sound of abundance of rain.

18:42 So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the

top of Carmel; and he cast himself down upon the earth, and put his

face between his knees, 18:43 And said to his servant, Go up now, look

toward the sea. And he went up, and looked, and said, There is

nothing. And he said, Go again seven times.

18:44 And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold,

there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand. And he

said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Prepare thy chariot, and get thee down

that the rain stop thee not.

18:45 And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black

with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and

went to Jezreel.

18:46 And the hand of the LORD was on Elijah; and he girded up his

loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.

19:1 And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he

had slain all the prophets with the sword.

19:2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the

gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of

one of them by to morrow about this time.

19:3 And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came

to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there.

19:4 But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came

and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that

he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life;

for I am not better than my fathers.

19:5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an

angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat.

19:6 And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals,

and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid

him down again.

19:7 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched

him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for

thee.

19:8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of

that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.

19:9 And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold,

the word of the LORD came to him, and he said unto him, What doest

thou here, Elijah? 19:10 And he said, I have been very jealous for

the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy

covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the

sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it

away.

19:11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the LORD.

And, behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the

mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the LORD; but the LORD

was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the LORD

was not in the earthquake: 19:12 And after the earthquake a fire; but

the LORD was not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

19:13 And it was so, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in

his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the cave.

And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou

here, Elijah? 19:14 And he said, I have been very jealous for the

LORD God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy

covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the

sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it

away.

19:15 And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the

wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael to be king

over Syria: 19:16 And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint to be

king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abelmeholah shalt

thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.

19:17 And it shall come to pass, that him that escapeth the sword of

Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu

shall Elisha slay.

19:18 Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which

have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.

19:19 So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who

was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen before him, and he with the

twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.

19:20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I

pray thee, kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow thee.

And he said unto him, Go back again: for what have I done to thee?

19:21 And he returned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen, and slew

them, and boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and

gave unto the people, and they did eat. Then he arose, and went after

Elijah, and ministered unto him.

20:1 And Benhadad the king of Syria gathered all his host together:

and there were thirty and two kings with him, and horses, and

chariots; and he went up and besieged Samaria, and warred against it.

20:2 And he sent messengers to Ahab king of Israel into the city, and

said unto him, Thus saith Benhadad, 20:3 Thy silver and thy gold is

mine; thy wives also and thy children, even the goodliest, are mine.

20:4 And the king of Israel answered and said, My lord, O king,

according to thy saying, I am thine, and all that I have.

20:5 And the messengers came again, and said, Thus speaketh Benhadad,

saying, Although I have sent unto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me

thy silver, and thy gold, and thy wives, and thy children; 20:6 Yet I

will send my servants unto thee to morrow about this time, and they

shall search thine house, and the houses of thy servants; and it shall

be, that whatsoever is pleasant in thine eyes, they shall put it in

their hand, and take it away.

20:7 Then the king of Israel called all the elders of the land, and

said, Mark, I pray you, and see how this man seeketh mischief: for he

sent unto me for my wives, and for my children, and for my silver, and

for my gold; and I denied him not.

20:8 And all the elders and all the people said unto him, Hearken not

unto him, nor consent.

20:9 Wherefore he said unto the messengers of Benhadad, Tell my lord

the king, All that thou didst send for to thy servant at the first I

will do: but this thing I may not do. And the messengers departed, and

brought him word again.

20:10 And Benhadad sent unto him, and said, The gods do so unto me,

and more also, if the dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for

all the people that follow me.

20:11 And the king of Israel answered and said, Tell him, Let not him

that girdeth on his harness boast himself as he that putteth it off.

20:12 And it came to pass, when Ben-hadad heard this message, as he

was drinking, he and the kings in the pavilions, that he said unto his

servants, Set yourselves in array. And they set themselves in array

against the city.

20:13 And, behold, there came a prophet unto Ahab king of Israel,

saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou seen all this great multitude?

behold, I will deliver it into thine hand this day; and thou shalt

know that I am the LORD.

20:14 And Ahab said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD, Even

by the young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who

shall order the battle? And he answered, Thou.

20:15 Then he numbered the young men of the princes of the provinces,

and they were two hundred and thirty two: and after them he numbered

all the people, even all the children of Israel, being seven thousand.

20:16 And they went out at noon. But Benhadad was drinking himself

drunk in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings

that helped him.

20:17 And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out

first; and Benhadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men

come out of Samaria.

20:18 And he said, Whether they be come out for peace, take them

alive; or whether they be come out for war, take them alive.

20:19 So these young men of the princes of the provinces came out of

the city, and the army which followed them.

20:20 And they slew every one his man: and the Syrians fled; and

Israel pursued them: and Benhadad the king of Syria escaped on an

horse with the horsemen.

20:21 And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and

chariots, and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter.

20:22 And the prophet came to the king of Israel, and said unto him,

Go, strengthen thyself, and mark, and see what thou doest: for at the

return of the year the king of Syria will come up against thee.

20:23 And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their gods

are gods of the hills; therefore they were stronger than we; but let

us fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger

than they.

20:24 And do this thing, Take the kings away, every man out of his

place, and put captains in their rooms: 20:25 And number thee an army,

like the army that thou hast lost, horse for horse, and chariot for

chariot: and we will fight against them in the plain, and surely we

shall be stronger than they. And he hearkened unto their voice, and

did so.

20:26 And it came to pass at the return of the year, that Benhadad

numbered the Syrians, and went up to Aphek, to fight against Israel.

20:27 And the children of Israel were numbered, and were all present,

and went against them: and the children of Israel pitched before them

like two little flocks of kids; but the Syrians filled the country.

20:28 And there came a man of God, and spake unto the king of Israel,

and said, Thus saith the LORD, Because the Syrians have said, The LORD

is God of the hills, but he is not God of the valleys, therefore will

I deliver all this great multitude into thine hand, and ye shall know

that I am the LORD.

20:29 And they pitched one over against the other seven days. And so

it was, that in the seventh day the battle was joined: and the

children of Israel slew of the Syrians an hundred thousand footmen in

one day.

20:30 But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city; and there a wall fell

upon twenty and seven thousand of the men that were left. And Benhadad

fled, and came into the city, into an inner chamber.

20:31 And his servants said unto him, Behold now, we have heard that

the kings of the house of Israel are merciful kings: let us, I pray

thee, put sackcloth on our loins, and ropes upon our heads, and go out

to the king of Israel: peradventure he will save thy life.

20:32 So they girded sackcloth on their loins, and put ropes on their

heads, and came to the king of Israel, and said, Thy servant Benhadad

saith, I pray thee, let me live. And he said, Is he yet alive? he is

my brother.

20:33 Now the men did diligently observe whether any thing would come

from him, and did hastily catch it: and they said, Thy brother

Benhadad. Then he said, Go ye, bring him. Then Benhadad came forth to

him; and he caused him to come up into the chariot.

20:34 And Ben-hadad said unto him, The cities, which my father took

from thy father, I will restore; and thou shalt make streets for thee

in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. Then said Ahab, I will send

thee away with this covenant. So he made a covenant with him, and sent

him away.

20:35 And a certain man of the sons of the prophets said unto his

neighbour in the word of the LORD, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man

refused to smite him.

20:36 Then said he unto him, Because thou hast not obeyed the voice of

the LORD, behold, as soon as thou art departed from me, a lion shall

slay thee.

And as soon as he was departed from him, a lion found him, and slew

him.

20:37 Then he found another man, and said, Smite me, I pray thee. And

the man smote him, so that in smiting he wounded him.

20:38 So the prophet departed, and waited for the king by the way, and

disguised himself with ashes upon his face.

20:39 And as the king passed by, he cried unto the king: and he said,

Thy servant went out into the midst of the battle; and, behold, a man

turned aside, and brought a man unto me, and said, Keep this man: if

by any means he be missing, then shall thy life be for his life, or

else thou shalt pay a talent of silver.

20:40 And as thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone. And the

king of Israel said unto him, So shall thy judgment be; thyself hast

decided it.

20:41 And he hasted, and took the ashes away from his face; and the

king of Israel discerned him that he was of the prophets.

20:42 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Because thou hast let

go out of thy hand a man whom I appointed to utter destruction,

therefore thy life shall go for his life, and thy people for his

people.

20:43 And the king of Israel went to his house heavy and displeased,

and came to Samaria.

21:1 And it came to pass after these things, that Naboth the

Jezreelite had a vineyard, which was in Jezreel, hard by the palace of

Ahab king of Samaria.

21:2 And Ahab spake unto Naboth, saying, Give me thy vineyard, that I

may have it for a garden of herbs, because it is near unto my house:

and I will give thee for it a better vineyard than it; or, if it seem

good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money.

21:3 And Naboth said to Ahab, The LORD forbid it me, that I should

give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee.

21:4 And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the

word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, I

will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers. And he laid him down

upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread.

21:5 But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is thy

spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread? 21:6 And he said unto her,

Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, Give me

thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee

another vineyard for it: and he answered, I will not give thee my

vineyard.

21:7 And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the

kingdom of Israel? arise, and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry:

I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.

21:8 So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed them with his

seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that were

in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

21:9 And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set

Naboth on high among the people: 21:10 And set two men, sons of

Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst

blaspheme God and the king. And then carry him out, and stone him,

that he may die.

21:11 And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were

the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as

it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them.

21:12 They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.

21:13 And there came in two men, children of Belial, and sat before

him: and the men of Belial witnessed against him, even against Naboth,

in the presence of the people, saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and

the king. Then they carried him forth out of the city, and stoned him

with stones, that he died.

21:14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is

dead.

21:15 And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned,

and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the

vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for

money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead.

21:16 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that

Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to

take possession of it.

21:17 And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

21:18 Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which is in Samaria:

behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to

possess it.

21:19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast

thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him,

saying, Thus saith the LORD, In the place where dogs licked the blood

of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.

21:20 And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And

he answered, I have found thee: because thou hast sold thyself to work

evil in the sight of the LORD.

21:21 Behold, I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy

posterity, and will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the

wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel, 21:22 And will make

thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the

house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou

hast provoked me to anger, and made Israel to sin.

21:23 And of Jezebel also spake the LORD, saying, The dogs shall eat

Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.

21:24 Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him

that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.

21:25 But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to

work wickedness in the sight of the LORD, whom Jezebel his wife

stirred up.

21:26 And he did very abominably in following idols, according to all

things as did the Amorites, whom the LORD cast out before the children

of Israel.

21:27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent

his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in

sackcloth, and went softly.

21:28 And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

21:29 Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he

humbleth himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: but

in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.

22:1 And they continued three years without war between Syria and

Israel.

22:2 And it came to pass in the third year, that Jehoshaphat the king

of Judah came down to the king of Israel.

22:3 And the king of Israel said unto his servants, Know ye that

Ramoth in Gilead is ours, and we be still, and take it not out of the

hand of the king of Syria? 22:4 And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Wilt

thou go with me to battle to Ramothgilead? And Jehoshaphat said to the

king of Israel, I am as thou art, my people as thy people, my horses

as thy horses.

22:5 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray

thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

22:6 Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets together, about

four hundred men, and said unto them, Shall I go against Ramothgilead

to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up; for the LORD

shall deliver it into the hand of the king.

22:7 And Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of the LORD

besides, that we might enquire of him? 22:8 And the king of Israel

said unto Jehoshaphat, There is yet one man, Micaiah the son of Imlah,

by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not

prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not

the king say so.

22:9 Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, Hasten

hither Micaiah the son of Imlah.

22:10 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat

each on his throne, having put on their robes, in a void place in the

entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied

before them.

22:11 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron: and he

said, Thus saith the LORD, With these shalt thou push the Syrians,

until thou have consumed them.

22:12 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to

Ramothgilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into the

king's hand.

22:13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him,

saying, Behold now, the words of the prophets declare good unto the

king with one mouth: let thy word, I pray thee, be like the word of

one of them, and speak that which is good.

22:14 And Micaiah said, As the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto

me, that will I speak.

22:15 So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, Micaiah,

shall we go against Ramothgilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And

he answered him, Go, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into

the hand of the king.

22:16 And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee

that thou tell me nothing but that which is true in the name of the

LORD? 22:17 And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills,

as sheep that have not a shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no

master: let them return every man to his house in peace.

22:18 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell

thee that he would prophesy no good concerning me, but evil? 22:19

And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD

sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on

his right hand and on his left.

22:20 And the LORD said, Who shall persuade Ahab, that he may go up

and fall at Ramothgilead? And one said on this manner, and another

said on that manner.

22:21 And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and

said, I will persuade him.

22:22 And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go

forth, and I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.

And he said, Thou shalt persude him, and prevail also: go forth, and

do so.

22:23 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the

mouth of all these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil

concerning thee.

22:24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah

on the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me

to speak unto thee? 22:25 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see in

that day, when thou shalt go into an inner chamber to hide thyself.

22:26 And the king of Israel said, Take Micaiah, and carry him back

unto Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son; 22:27

And say, Thus saith the king, Put this fellow in the prison, and feed

him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I

come in peace.

22:28 And Micaiah said, If thou return at all in peace, the LORD hath

not spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, O people, every one of you.

22:29 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up

to Ramothgilead.

22:30 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise

myself, and enter into the battle; but put thou on thy robes. And the

king of Israel disguised himself, and went into the battle.

22:31 But the king of Syria commanded his thirty and two captains that

had rule over his chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor

great, save only with the king of Israel.

22:32 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw

Jehoshaphat, that they said, Surely it is the king of Israel. And they

turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat cried out.

22:33 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots perceived

that it was not the king of Israel, that they turned back from

pursuing him.

22:34 And a certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of

Israel between the joints of the harness: wherefore he said unto the

driver of his chariot, Turn thine hand, and carry me out of the host;

for I am wounded.

22:35 And the battle increased that day: and the king was stayed up in

his chariot against the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood ran

out of the wound into the midst of the chariot.

22:36 And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the

going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to

his own country.

22:37 So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried

the king in Samaria.

22:38 And one washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs

licked up his blood; and they washed his armour; according unto the

word of the LORD which he spake.

22:39 Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the

ivory house which he made, and all the cities that he built, are they

not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

22:40 So Ahab slept with his fathers; and Ahaziah his son reigned in

his stead.

22:41 And Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to reign over Judah in the

fourth year of Ahab king of Israel.

22:42 Jehoshaphat was thirty and five years old when he began to

reign; and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his

mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

22:43 And he walked in all the ways of Asa his father; he turned not

aside from it, doing that which was right in the eyes of the LORD:

nevertheless the high places were not taken away; for the people

offered and burnt incense yet in the high places.

22:44 And Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel.

22:45 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, and his might that he

shewed, and how he warred, are they not written in the book of the

chronicles of the kings of Judah? 22:46 And the remnant of the

sodomites, which remained in the days of his father Asa, he took out

of the land.

22:47 There was then no king in Edom: a deputy was king.

22:48 Jehoshaphat made ships of Tharshish to go to Ophir for gold: but

they went not; for the ships were broken at Eziongeber.

22:49 Then said Ahaziah the son of Ahab unto Jehoshaphat, Let my

servants go with thy servants in the ships. But Jehoshaphat would not.

22:50 And Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his

fathers in the city of David his father: and Jehoram his son reigned

in his stead.

22:51 Ahaziah the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria

the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned two

years over Israel.

22:52 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way

of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of

Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin: 22:53 For he served

Baal, and worshipped him, and provoked to anger the LORD God of

Israel, according to all that his father had done.

The Second Book of the Kings

Commonly Called:

The Fourth Book of the Kings

1:1 Then Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab.

1:2 And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that

was in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto

them, Go, enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron whether I shall

recover of this disease.

1:3 But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go

up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them,

Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that ye go to enquire

of Baalzebub the god of Ekron? 1:4 Now therefore thus saith the LORD,

Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but

shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.

1:5 And when the messengers turned back unto him, he said unto them,

Why are ye now turned back? 1:6 And they said unto him, There came a

man up to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn again unto the king that

sent you, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Is it not because

there is not a God in Israel, that thou sendest to enquire of

Baalzebub the god of Ekron? therefore thou shalt not come down from

that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

1:7 And he said unto them, What manner of man was he which came up to

meet you, and told you these words? 1:8 And they answered him, He was

an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loins. And

he said, It is Elijah the Tishbite.

1:9 Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And

he went up to him: and, behold, he sat on the top of an hill. And he

spake unto him, Thou man of God, the king hath said, Come down.

1:10 And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I be a

man of God, then let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and

thy fifty.

And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

1:11 Again also he sent unto him another captain of fifty with his

fifty.

And he answered and said unto him, O man of God, thus hath the king

said, Come down quickly.

1:12 And Elijah answered and said unto them, If I be a man of God, let

fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And the

fire of God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

1:13 And he sent again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty.

And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees

before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, O man of God, I

pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, be

precious in thy sight.

1:14 Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and burnt up the two

captains of the former fifties with their fifties: therefore let my

life now be precious in thy sight.

1:15 And the angel of the LORD said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be

not afraid of him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.

1:16 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast

sent messengers to enquire of Baalzebub the god of Ekron, is it not

because there is no God in Israel to enquire of his word? therefore

thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but

shalt surely die.

1:17 So he died according to the word of the LORD which Elijah had

spoken.

And Jehoram reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son

of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son.

1:18 Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he did, are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? 2:1 And

it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a

whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.

2:2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD

hath sent me to Bethel. And Elisha said unto him, As the LORD liveth,

and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to

Bethel.

2:3 And the sons of the prophets that were at Bethel came forth to

Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away

thy master from thy head to day? And he said, Yea, I know it; hold ye

your peace.

2:4 And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee; for the

LORD hath sent me to Jericho. And he said, As the LORD liveth, and as

thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they came to Jericho.

2:5 And the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came to Elisha,

and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy

master from thy head to day? And he answered, Yea, I know it; hold ye

your peace.

2:6 And Elijah said unto him, Tarry, I pray thee, here; for the LORD

hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, As the LORD liveth, and as thy

soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went on.

2:7 And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood to view

afar off: and they two stood by Jordan.

2:8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together, and smote the

waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two

went over on dry ground.

2:9 And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said

unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from

thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit

be upon me.

2:10 And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou

see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if

not, it shall not be so.

2:11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that,

behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and

parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into

heaven.

2:12 And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the

chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more:

and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.

2:13 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went

back, and stood by the bank of Jordan; 2:14 And he took the mantle of

Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where is

the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they

parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over.

2:15 And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho

saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they

came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

2:16 And they said unto him, Behold now, there be with thy servants

fifty strong men; let them go, we pray thee, and seek thy master: lest

peradventure the Spirit of the LORD hath taken him up, and cast him

upon some mountain, or into some valley. And he said, Ye shall not

send.

2:17 And when they urged him till he was ashamed, he said, Send. They

sent therefore fifty men; and they sought three days, but found him

not.

2:18 And when they came again to him, (for he tarried at Jericho,) he

said unto them, Did I not say unto you, Go not? 2:19 And the men of

the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this

city is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water is naught, and the

ground barren.

2:20 And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they

brought it to him.

2:21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the

salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these

waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land.

2:22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying

of Elisha which he spake.

2:23 And he went up from thence unto Bethel: and as he was going up by

the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked

him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

2:24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the

name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood,

and tare forty and two children of them.

2:25 And he went from thence to mount Carmel, and from thence he

returned to Samaria.

3:1 Now Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria

the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned twelve

years.

3:2 And he wrought evil in the sight of the LORD; but not like his

father, and like his mother: for he put away the image of Baal that

his father had made.

3:3 Nevertheless he cleaved unto the sins of Jeroboam the son of

Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

3:4 And Mesha king of Moab was a sheepmaster, and rendered unto the

king of Israel an hundred thousand lambs, and an hundred thousand

rams, with the wool.

3:5 But it came to pass, when Ahab was dead, that the king of Moab

rebelled against the king of Israel.

3:6 And king Jehoram went out of Samaria the same time, and numbered

all Israel.

3:7 And he went and sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, saying, The

king of Moab hath rebelled against me: wilt thou go with me against

Moab to battle? And he said, I will go up: I am as thou art, my people

as thy people, and my horses as thy horses.

3:8 And he said, Which way shall we go up? And he answered, The way

through the wilderness of Edom.

3:9 So the king of Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of

Edom: and they fetched a compass of seven days' journey: and there was

no water for the host, and for the cattle that followed them.

3:10 And the king of Israel said, Alas! that the LORD hath called

these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab!

3:11 But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of the LORD,

that we may enquire of the LORD by him? And one of the king of

Israel's servants answered and said, Here is Elisha the son of

Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah.

3:12 And Jehoshaphat said, The word of the LORD is with him. So the

king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him.

3:13 And Elisha said unto the king of Israel, What have I to do with

thee? get thee to the prophets of thy father, and to the prophets of

thy mother.

And the king of Israel said unto him, Nay: for the LORD hath called

these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab.

3:14 And Elisha said, As the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I

stand, surely, were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat

the king of Judah, I would not look toward thee, nor see thee.

3:15 But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the

minstrel played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him.

3:16 And he said, Thus saith the LORD, Make this valley full of

ditches.

3:17 For thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye

see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may

drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.

3:18 And this is but a light thing in the sight of the LORD: he will

deliver the Moabites also into your hand.

3:19 And ye shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and

shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and mar every

good piece of land with stones.

3:20 And it came to pass in the morning, when the meat offering was

offered, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the

country was filled with water.

3:21 And when all the Moabites heard that the kings were come up to

fight against them, they gathered all that were able to put on armour,

and upward, and stood in the border.

3:22 And they rose up early in the morning, and the sun shone upon the

water, and the Moabites saw the water on the other side as red as

blood: 3:23 And they said, This is blood: the kings are surely slain,

and they have smitten one another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil.

3:24 And when they came to the camp of Israel, the Israelites rose up

and smote the Moabites, so that they fled before them: but they went

forward smiting the Moabites, even in their country.

3:25 And they beat down the cities, and on every good piece of land

cast every man his stone, and filled it; and they stopped all the

wells of water, and felled all the good trees: only in Kirharaseth

left they the stones thereof; howbeit the slingers went about it, and

smote it.

3:26 And when the king of Moab saw that the battle was too sore for

him, he took with him seven hundred men that drew swords, to break

through even unto the king of Edom: but they could not.

3:27 Then he took his eldest son that should have reigned in his

stead, and offered him for a burnt offering upon the wall. And there

was great indignation against Israel: and they departed from him, and

returned to their own land.

4:1 Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the

prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou

knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come

to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.

4:2 And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what

hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any

thing in the house, save a pot of oil.

4:3 Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy

neighbours, even empty vessels; borrow not a few.

4:4 And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and

upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou

shalt set aside that which is full.

4:5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her

sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out.

4:6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said

unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is

not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.

4:7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the

oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

4:8 And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a

great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that

as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither to eat bread.

4:9 And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this is

an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually.

4:10 Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let

us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a

candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he shall turn

in thither.

4:11 And it fell on a day, that he came thither, and he turned into

the chamber, and lay there.

4:12 And he said to Gehazi his servant, Call this Shunammite. And when

he had called her, she stood before him.

4:13 And he said unto him, Say now unto her, Behold, thou hast been

careful for us with all this care; what is to be done for thee?

wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the

host? And she answered, I dwell among mine own people.

4:14 And he said, What then is to be done for her? And Gehazi

answered, Verily she hath no child, and her husband is old.

4:15 And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in

the door.

4:16 And he said, About this season, according to the time of life,

thou shalt embrace a son. And she said, Nay, my lord, thou man of God,

do not lie unto thine handmaid.

4:17 And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season that

Elisha had said unto her, according to the time of life.

4:18 And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out

to his father to the reapers.

4:19 And he said unto his father, My head, my head. And he said to a

lad, Carry him to his mother.

4:20 And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat

on her knees till noon, and then died.

4:21 And she went up, and laid him on the bed of the man of God, and

shut the door upon him, and went out.

4:22 And she called unto her husband, and said, Send me, I pray thee,

one of the young men, and one of the asses, that I may run to the man

of God, and come again.

4:23 And he said, Wherefore wilt thou go to him to day? it is neither

new moon, nor sabbath. And she said, It shall be well.

4:24 Then she saddled an ass, and said to her servant, Drive, and go

forward; slack not thy riding for me, except I bid thee.

4:25 So she went and came unto the man of God to mount Carmel. And it

came to pass, when the man of God saw her afar off, that he said to

Gehazi his servant, Behold, yonder is that Shunammite: 4:26 Run now, I

pray thee, to meet her, and say unto her, Is it well with thee? is it

well with thy husband? is it well with the child? And she answered, It

is well: 4:27 And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she

caught him by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And

the man of God said, Let her alone; for her soul is vexed within her:

and the LORD hath hid it from me, and hath not told me.

4:28 Then she said, Did I desire a son of my lord? did I not say, Do

not deceive me? 4:29 Then he said to Gehazi, Gird up thy loins, and

take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way: if thou meet any man,

salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again: and lay

my staff upon the face of the child.

4:30 And the mother of the child said, As the LORD liveth, and as thy

soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And he arose, and followed her.

4:31 And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the

face of the child; but there was neither voice, nor hearing. Wherefore

he went again to meet him, and told him, saying, The child is not

awaked.

4:32 And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was

dead, and laid upon his bed.

4:33 He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and

prayed unto the LORD.

4:34 And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon

his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands:

and stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed

warm.

4:35 Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went

up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times,

and the child opened his eyes.

4:36 And he called Gehazi, and said, Call this Shunammite. So he

called her. And when she was come in unto him, he said, Take up thy

son.

4:37 Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the

ground, and took up her son, and went out.

4:38 And Elisha came again to Gilgal: and there was a dearth in the

land; and the sons of the prophets were sitting before him: and he

said unto his servant, Set on the great pot, and seethe pottage for

the sons of the prophets.

4:39 And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild

vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and

shred them into the pot of pottage: for they knew them not.

4:40 So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as

they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, O thou

man of God, there is death in the pot. And they could not eat thereof.

4:41 But he said, Then bring meal. And he cast it into the pot; and he

said, Pour out for the people, that they may eat. And there was no

harm in the pot.

4:42 And there came a man from Baalshalisha, and brought the man of

God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley, and full ears

of corn in the husk thereof. And he said, Give unto the people, that

they may eat.

4:43 And his servitor said, What, should I set this before an hundred

men? He said again, Give the people, that they may eat: for thus

saith the LORD, They shall eat, and shall leave thereof.

4:44 So he set it before them, and they did eat, and left thereof,

according to the word of the LORD.

5:1 Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great

man with his master, and honourable, because by him the LORD had given

deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, but he was

a leper.

5:2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away

captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on

Naaman's wife.

5:3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the

prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

5:4 And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the

maid that is of the land of Israel.

5:5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter

unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten

talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of

raiment.

5:6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when

this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my

servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

5:7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter,

that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make

alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his

leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a

quarrel against me.

5:8 And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king

of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying,

Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he

shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

5:9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at

the door of the house of Elisha.

5:10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in

Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou

shalt be clean.

5:11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought,

He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the

LORD his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the

leper.

5:12 Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all

the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he

turned and went away in a rage.

5:13 And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My

father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldest thou

not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash,

and be clean? 5:14 Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times

in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh

came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

5:15 And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and

came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that there

is no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee,

take a blessing of thy servant.

5:16 But he said, As the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, I will

receive none. And he urged him to take it; but he refused.

5:17 And Naaman said, Shall there not then, I pray thee, be given to

thy servant two mules' burden of earth? for thy servant will

henceforth offer neither burnt offering nor sacrifice unto other gods,

but unto the LORD.

5:18 In this thing the LORD pardon thy servant, that when my master

goeth into the house of Rimmon to worship there, and he leaneth on my

hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon: when I bow down myself

in the house of Rimmon, the LORD pardon thy servant in this thing.

5:19 And he said unto him, Go in peace. So he departed from him a

little way.

5:20 But Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold,

my master hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not receiving at his

hands that which he brought: but, as the LORD liveth, I will run after

him, and take somewhat of him.

5:21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw him running

after him, he lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, Is

all well? 5:22 And he said, All is well. My master hath sent me,

saying, Behold, even now there be come to me from mount Ephraim two

young men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I pray thee, a

talent of silver, and two changes of garments.

5:23 And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents. And he urged him,

and bound two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of

garments, and laid them upon two of his servants; and they bare them

before him.

5:24 And when he came to the tower, he took them from their hand, and

bestowed them in the house: and he let the men go, and they departed.

5:25 But he went in, and stood before his master. And Elisha said unto

him, Whence comest thou, Gehazi? And he said, Thy servant went no

whither.

5:26 And he said unto him, Went not mine heart with thee, when the man

turned again from his chariot to meet thee? Is it a time to receive

money, and to receive garments, and oliveyards, and vineyards, and

sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants? 5:27 The leprosy

therefore of Naaman shall cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for

ever. And he went out from his presence a leper as white as snow.

6:1 And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the

place where we dwell with thee is too strait for us.

6:2 Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a

beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he

answered, Go ye.

6:3 And one said, Be content, I pray thee, and go with thy servants.

And he answered, I will go.

6:4 So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down

wood.

6:5 But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water:

and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed.

6:6 And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the

place.

And he cut down a stick, and cast it in thither; and the iron did

swim.

6:7 Therefore said he, Take it up to thee. And he put out his hand,

and took it.

6:8 Then the king of Syria warred against Israel, and took counsel

with his servants, saying, In such and such a place shall be my camp.

6:9 And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware

that thou pass not such a place; for thither the Syrians are come

down.

6:10 And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God

told him and warned him of, and saved himself there, not once nor

twice.

6:11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for

this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will ye

not shew me which of us is for the king of Israel? 6:12 And one of

his servants said, None, my lord, O king: but Elisha, the prophet that

is in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest

in thy bedchamber.

6:13 And he said, Go and spy where he is, that I may send and fetch

him.

And it was told him, saying, Behold, he is in Dothan.

6:14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a great host:

and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

6:15 And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone

forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and

chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we

do? 6:16 And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more

than they that be with them.

6:17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes,

that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he

saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire

round about Elisha.

6:18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and

said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote

them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

6:19 And Elisha said unto them, This is not the way, neither is this

the city: follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But

he led them to Samaria.

6:20 And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that

Elisha said, LORD, open the eyes of these men, that they may see. And

the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, they were in

the midst of Samaria.

6:21 And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, My

father, shall I smite them? shall I smite them? 6:22 And he answered,

Thou shalt not smite them: wouldest thou smite those whom thou hast

taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set bread and water

before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master.

6:23 And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten

and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So the

bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel.

6:24 And it came to pass after this, that Benhadad king of Syria

gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria.

6:25 And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they

besieged it, until an ass's head was sold for fourscore pieces of

silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five pieces of

silver.

6:26 And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there

cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king.

6:27 And he said, If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help

thee? out of the barnfloor, or out of the winepress? 6:28 And the

king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman

said unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will

eat my son to morrow.

6:29 So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the

next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son.

6:30 And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman,

that he rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the

people looked, and, behold, he had sackcloth within upon his flesh.

6:31 Then he said, God do so and more also to me, if the head of

Elisha the son of Shaphat shall stand on him this day.

6:32 But Elisha sat in his house, and the elders sat with him; and the

king sent a man from before him: but ere the messenger came to him, he

said to the elders, See ye how this son of a murderer hath sent to

take away mine head? look, when the messenger cometh, shut the door,

and hold him fast at the door: is not the sound of his master's feet

behind him? 6:33 And while he yet talked with them, behold, the

messenger came down unto him: and he said, Behold, this evil is of the

LORD; what should I wait for the LORD any longer? 7:1 Then Elisha

said, Hear ye the word of the LORD; Thus saith the LORD, To morrow

about this time shall a measure of fine flour be sold for a shekel,

and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria.

7:2 Then a lord on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God,

and said, Behold, if the LORD would make windows in heaven, might this

thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but

shalt not eat thereof.

7:3 And there were four leprous men at the entering in of the gate:

and they said one to another, Why sit we here until we die? 7:4 If we

say, We will enter into the city, then the famine is in the city, and

we shall die there: and if we sit still here, we die also. Now

therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the Syrians: if they

save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.

7:5 And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the

Syrians: and when they were come to the uttermost part of the camp of

Syria, behold, there was no man there.

7:6 For the LORD had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of

chariots, and a noise of horses, even the noise of a great host: and

they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us

the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come

upon us.

7:7 Wherefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their

tents, and their horses, and their asses, even the camp as it was, and

fled for their life.

7:8 And when these lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp, they

went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver,

and gold, and raiment, and went and hid it; and came again, and

entered into another tent, and carried thence also, and went and hid

it.

7:9 Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day is a day

of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning

light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we

may go and tell the king's household.

7:10 So they came and called unto the porter of the city: and they

told them, saying, We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold,

there was no man there, neither voice of man, but horses tied, and

asses tied, and the tents as they were.

7:11 And he called the porters; and they told it to the king's house

within.

7:12 And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, I

will now shew you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we

be hungry; therefore are they gone out of the camp to hide themselves

in the field, saying, When they come out of the city, we shall catch

them alive, and get into the city.

7:13 And one of his servants answered and said, Let some take, I pray

thee, five of the horses that remain, which are left in the city,

(behold, they are as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it:

behold, I say, they are even as all the multitude of the Israelites

that are consumed:) and let us send and see.

7:14 They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after

the host of the Syrians, saying, Go and see.

7:15 And they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way was

full of garments and vessels, which the Syrians had cast away in their

haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king.

7:16 And the people went out, and spoiled the tents of the Syrians. So

a measure of fine flour was sold for a shekel, and two measures of

barley for a shekel, according to the word of the LORD.

7:17 And the king appointed the lord on whose hand he leaned to have

the charge of the gate: and the people trode upon him in the gate, and

he died, as the man of God had said, who spake when the king came down

to him.

7:18 And it came to pass as the man of God had spoken to the king,

saying, Two measures of barley for a shekel, and a measure of fine

flour for a shekel, shall be to morrow about this time in the gate of

Samaria: 7:19 And that lord answered the man of God, and said, Now,

behold, if the LORD should make windows in heaven, might such a thing

be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt

not eat thereof.

7:20 And so it fell out unto him: for the people trode upon him in the

gate, and he died.

8:1 Then spake Elisha unto the woman, whose son he had restored to

life, saying, Arise, and go thou and thine household, and sojourn

wheresoever thou canst sojourn: for the LORD hath called for a famine;

and it shall also come upon the land seven years.

8:2 And the woman arose, and did after the saying of the man of God:

and she went with her household, and sojourned in the land of the

Philistines seven years.

8:3 And it came to pass at the seven years' end, that the woman

returned out of the land of the Philistines: and she went forth to cry

unto the king for her house and for her land.

8:4 And the king talked with Gehazi the servant of the man of God,

saying, Tell me, I pray thee, all the great things that Elisha hath

done.

8:5 And it came to pass, as he was telling the king how he had

restored a dead body to life, that, behold, the woman, whose son he

had restored to life, cried to the king for her house and for her

land. And Gehazi said, My lord, O king, this is the woman, and this is

her son, whom Elisha restored to life.

8:6 And when the king asked the woman, she told him. So the king

appointed unto her a certain officer, saying, Restore all that was

hers, and all the fruits of the field since the day that she left the

land, even until now.

8:7 And Elisha came to Damascus; and Benhadad the king of Syria was

sick; and it was told him, saying, The man of God is come hither.

8:8 And the king said unto Hazael, Take a present in thine hand, and

go, meet the man of God, and enquire of the LORD by him, saying, Shall

I recover of this disease? 8:9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a

present with him, even of every good thing of Damascus, forty camels'

burden, and came and stood before him, and said, Thy son Benhadad king

of Syria hath sent me to thee, saying, Shall I recover of this

disease? 8:10 And Elisha said unto him, Go, say unto him, Thou mayest

certainly recover: howbeit the LORD hath shewed me that he shall

surely die.

8:11 And he settled his countenance stedfastly, until he was ashamed:

and the man of God wept.

8:12 And Hazael said, Why weepeth my lord? And he answered, Because I

know the evil that thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their

strong holds wilt thou set on fire, and their young men wilt thou slay

with the sword, and wilt dash their children, and rip up their women

with child.

8:13 And Hazael said, But what, is thy servant a dog, that he should

do this great thing? And Elisha answered, The LORD hath shewed me that

thou shalt be king over Syria.

8:14 So he departed from Elisha, and came to his master; who said to

him, What said Elisha to thee? And he answered, He told me that thou

shouldest surely recover.

8:15 And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took a thick cloth,

and dipped it in water, and spread it on his face, so that he died:

and Hazael reigned in his stead.

8:16 And in the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel,

Jehoshaphat being then king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Je hoshaphat

king of Judah began to reign.

8:17 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign; and he

reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

8:18 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house

of Ahab: for the daughter of Ahab was his wife: and he did evil in the

sight of the LORD.

8:19 Yet the LORD would not destroy Judah for David his servant's

sake, as he promised him to give him alway a light, and to his

children.

8:20 In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made

a king over themselves.

8:21 So Joram went over to Zair, and all the chariots with him: and he

rose by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him about, and

the captains of the chariots: and the people fled into their tents.

8:22 Yet Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day.

Then Libnah revolted at the same time.

8:23 And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, are they

not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? 8:24

And Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in

the city of David: and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

8:25 In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did

Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign.

8:26 Two and twenty years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign; and

he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Athaliah,

the daughter of Omri king of Israel.

8:27 And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did evil in

the sight of the LORD, as did the house of Ahab: for he was the son in

law of the house of Ahab.

8:28 And he went with Joram the son of Ahab to the war against Hazael

king of Syria in Ramothgilead; and the Syrians wounded Joram.

8:29 And king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds

which the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought against

Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah

went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was

sick.

9:1 And Elisha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets,

and said unto him, Gird up thy loins, and take this box of oil in

thine hand, and go to Ramothgilead: 9:2 And when thou comest thither,

look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, and go

in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an

inner chamber; 9:3 Then take the box of oil, and pour it on his head,

and say, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel.

Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not.

9:4 So the young man, even the young man the prophet, went to

Ramothgilead.

9:5 And when he came, behold, the captains of the host were sitting;

and he said, I have an errand to thee, O captain. And Jehu said, Unto

which of all us? And he said, To thee, O captain.

9:6 And he arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on

his head, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I have

anointed thee king over the people of the LORD, even over Israel.

9:7 And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may

avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the

servants of the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel.

9:8 For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from

Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and

left in Israel: 9:9 And I will make the house of Ahab like the house

of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of

Ahijah: 9:10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel,

and there shall be none to bury her. And he opened the door, and fled.

9:11 Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and one said

unto him, Is all well? wherefore came this mad fellow to thee? And he

said unto them, Ye know the man, and his communication.

9:12 And they said, It is false; tell us now. And he said, Thus and

thus spake he to me, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee

king over Israel.

9:13 Then they hasted, and took every man his garment, and put it

under him on the top of the stairs, and blew with trumpets, saying,

Jehu is king.

9:14 So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired

against Joram. (Now Joram had kept Ramothgilead, he and all Israel,

because of Hazael king of Syria.

9:15 But king Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds

which the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of

Syria.) And Jehu said, If it be your minds, then let none go forth

nor escape out of the city to go to tell it in Jezreel.

9:16 So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay

there.

And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down to see Joram.

9:17 And there stood a watchman on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied

the company of Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram

said, Take an horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, Is it

peace? 9:18 So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said,

Thus saith the king, Is it peace? And Jehu said, What hast thou to do

with peace? turn thee behind me. And the watchman told, saying, The

messenger came to them, but he cometh not again.

9:19 Then he sent out a second on horseback, which came to them, and

said, Thus saith the king, Is it peace? And Jehu answered, What hast

thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me.

9:20 And the watchman told, saying, He came even unto them, and cometh

not again: and the driving is like the driving of Jehu the son of

Nimshi; for he driveth furiously.

9:21 And Joram said, Make ready. And his chariot was made ready. And

Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his

chariot, and they went out against Jehu, and met him in the portion of

Naboth the Jezreelite.

9:22 And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, Is it

peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of

thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts are so many? 9:23 And Joram

turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, There is treachery, O

Ahaziah.

9:24 And Jehu drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram

between his arms, and the arrow went out at his heart, and he sunk

down in his chariot.

9:25 Then said Jehu to Bidkar his captain, Take up, and cast him in

the portion of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite: for remember how

that, when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, the LORD

laid this burden upon him; 9:26 Surely I have seen yesterday the blood

of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, saith the LORD; and I will

requite thee in this plat, saith the LORD. Now therefore take and cast

him into the plat of ground, according to the word of the LORD.

9:27 But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled by the way

of the garden house. And Jehu followed after him, and said, Smite him

also in the chariot. And they did so at the going up to Gur, which is

by Ibleam.

And he fled to Megiddo, and died there.

9:28 And his servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and

buried him in his sepulchre with his fathers in the city of David.

9:29 And in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah

to reign over Judah.

9:30 And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she

painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window.

9:31 And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace,

who slew his master? 9:32 And he lifted up his face to the window,

and said, Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or

three eunuchs.

9:33 And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and some of

her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode

her under foot.

9:34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see

now this cursed woman, and bury her: for she is a king's daughter.

9:35 And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the

skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands.

9:36 Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This is the

word of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite,

saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:

9:37 And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the

field in the portion of Jezreel; so that they shall not say, This is

Jezebel.

10:1 And Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and

sent to Samaria, unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to

them that brought up Ahab's children, saying, 10:2 Now as soon as this

letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons are with you, and

there are with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and

armour; 10:3 Look even out the best and meetest of your master's sons,

and set him on his father's throne, and fight for your master's house.

10:4 But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two kings

stood not before him: how then shall we stand? 10:5 And he that was

over the house, and he that was over the city, the elders also, and

the bringers up of the children, sent to Jehu, saying, We are thy

servants, and will do all that thou shalt bid us; we will not make any

king: do thou that which is good in thine eyes.

10:6 Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye be

mine, and if ye will hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the

men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to morrow this

time. Now the king's sons, being seventy persons, were with the great

men of the city, which brought them up.

10:7 And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took

the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in

baskets, and sent him them to Jezreel.

10:8 And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have

brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two

heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning.

10:9 And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood,

and said to all the people, Ye be righteous: behold, I conspired

against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these? 10:10 Know

now that there shall fall unto the earth nothing of the word of the

LORD, which the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD

hath done that which he spake by his servant Elijah.

10:11 So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel,

and all his great men, and his kinsfolks, and his priests, until he

left him none remaining.

10:12 And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. And as he was at

the shearing house in the way, 10:13 Jehu met with the brethren of

Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, Who are ye? And they answered, We are

the brethren of Ahaziah; and we go down to salute the children of the

king and the children of the queen.

10:14 And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew

them at the pit of the shearing house, even two and forty men; neither

left he any of them.

10:15 And when he was departed thence, he lighted on Jehonadab the son

of Rechab coming to meet him: and he saluted him, and said to him, Is

thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart? And Jehonadab

answered, It is. If it be, give me thine hand. And he gave him his

hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot.

10:16 And he said, Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD. So they

made him ride in his chariot.

10:17 And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab

in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of the

LORD, which he spake to Elijah.

10:18 And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them,

Ahab served Baal a little; but Jehu shall serve him much.

10:19 Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all his

servants, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great

sacrifice to do to Baal; whosoever shall be wanting, he shall not

live. But Jehu did it in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy

the worshippers of Baal.

10:20 And Jehu said, Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal. And they

proclaimed it.

10:21 And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshippers of

Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they

came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal was full from one

end to another.

10:22 And he said unto him that was over the vestry, Bring forth

vestments for all the worshippers of Baal. And he brought them forth

vestments.

10:23 And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house

of Baal, and said unto the worshippers of Baal, Search, and look that

there be here with you none of the servants of the LORD, but the

worshippers of Baal only.

10:24 And when they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings,

Jehu appointed fourscore men without, and said, If any of the men whom

I have brought into your hands escape, he that letteth him go, his

life shall be for the life of him.

10:25 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering

the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains,

Go in, and slay them; let none come forth. And they smote them with

the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast them out,

and went to the city of the house of Baal.

10:26 And they brought forth the images out of the house of Baal, and

burned them.

10:27 And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house

of Baal, and made it a draught house unto this day.

10:28 Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

10:29 Howbeit from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made

Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, to wit, the golden

calves that were in Bethel, and that were in Dan.

10:30 And the LORD said unto Jehu, Because thou hast done well in

executing that which is right in mine eyes, and hast done unto the

house of Ahab according to all that was in mine heart, thy children of

the fourth generation shall sit on the throne of Israel.

10:31 But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of

Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from the sins of

Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.

10:32 In those days the LORD began to cut Israel short: and Hazael

smote them in all the coasts of Israel; 10:33 From Jordan eastward,

all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the

Manassites, from Aroer, which is by the river Arnon, even Gilead and

Bashan.

10:34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all

his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel? 10:35 And Jehu slept with his fathers: and they

buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his stead.

10:36 And the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty

and eight years.

11:1 And when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was

dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal.

11:2 But Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah,

took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's

sons which were slain; and they hid him, even him and his nurse, in

the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.

11:3 And he was with her hid in the house of the LORD six years. And

Athaliah did reign over the land.

11:4 And the seventh year Jehoiada sent and fetched the rulers over

hundreds, with the captains and the guard, and brought them to him

into the house of the LORD, and made a covenant with them, and took an

oath of them in the house of the LORD, and shewed them the king's son.

11:5 And he commanded them, saying, This is the thing that ye shall

do; A third part of you that enter in on the sabbath shall even be

keepers of the watch of the king's house; 11:6 And a third part shall

be at the gate of Sur; and a third part at the gate behind the guard:

so shall ye keep the watch of the house, that it be not broken down.

11:7 And two parts of all you that go forth on the sabbath, even they

shall keep the watch of the house of the LORD about the king.

11:8 And ye shall compass the king round about, every man with his

weapons in his hand: and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be

slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth out and as he cometh in.

11:9 And the captains over the hundreds did according to all things

that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took every man his men

that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that should go out on

the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest.

11:10 And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give king

David's spears and shields, that were in the temple of the LORD.

11:11 And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand,

round about the king, from the right corner of the temple to the left

corner of the temple, along by the altar and the temple.

11:12 And he brought forth the king's son, and put the crown upon him,

and gave him the testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him;

and they clapped their hands, and said, God save the king.

11:13 And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard and of the

people, she came to the people into the temple of the LORD.

11:14 And when she looked, behold, the king stood by a pillar, as the

manner was, and the princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all

the people of the land rejoiced, and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah

rent her clothes, and cried, Treason, Treason.

11:15 But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds,

the officers of the host, and said unto them, Have her forth without

the ranges: and him that followeth her kill with the sword. For the

priest had said, Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD.

11:16 And they laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which

the horses came into the king's house: and there was she slain.

11:17 And Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and

the people, that they should be the LORD's people; between the king

also and the people.

11:18 And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and

brake it down; his altars and his images brake they in pieces

thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And

the priest appointed officers over the house of the LORD.

11:19 And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the

guard, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king

from the house of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the

guard to the king's house. And he sat on the throne of the kings.

11:20 And all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was in

quiet: and they slew Athaliah with the sword beside the king's house.

11:21 Seven years old was Jehoash when he began to reign.

12:1 In the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign; and forty

years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Zibiah of

Beersheba.

12:2 And Jehoash did that which was right in the sight of the LORD all

his days wherein Jehoiada the priest instructed him.

12:3 But the high places were not taken away: the people still

sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places.

12:4 And Jehoash said to the priests, All the money of the dedicated

things that is brought into the house of the LORD, even the money of

every one that passeth the account, the money that every man is set

at, and all the money that cometh into any man's heart to bring into

the house of the LORD, 12:5 Let the priests take it to them, every man

of his acquaintance: and let them repair the breaches of the house,

wheresoever any breach shall be found.

12:6 But it was so, that in the three and twentieth year of king

Jehoash the priests had not repaired the breaches of the house.

12:7 Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and the other

priests, and said unto them, Why repair ye not the breaches of the

house? now therefore receive no more money of your acquaintance, but

deliver it for the breaches of the house.

12:8 And the priests consented to receive no more money of the people,

neither to repair the breaches of the house.

12:9 But Jehoiada the priest took a chest, and bored a hole in the lid

of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as one cometh

into the house of the LORD: and the priests that kept the door put

therein all the money that was brought into the house of the LORD.

12:10 And it was so, when they saw that there was much money in the

chest, that the king's scribe and the high priest came up, and they

put up in bags, and told the money that was found in the house of the

LORD.

12:11 And they gave the money, being told, into the hands of them that

did the work, that had the oversight of the house of the LORD: and

they laid it out to the carpenters and builders, that wrought upon the

house of the LORD, 12:12 And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to

buy timber and hewed stone to repair the breaches of the house of the

LORD, and for all that was laid out for the house to repair it.

12:13 Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of

silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of

silver, of the money that was brought into the house of the LORD:

12:14 But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the

house of the LORD.

12:15 Moreover they reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they

delivered the money to be bestowed on workmen: for they dealt

faithfully.

12:16 The trespass money and sin money was not brought into the house

of the LORD: it was the priests'.

12:17 Then Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought against Gath, and

took it: and Hazael set his face to go up to Jerusalem.

12:18 And Jehoash king of Judah took all the hallowed things that

Jehoshaphat, and Jehoram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah,

had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold that was

found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's

house, and sent it to Hazael king of Syria: and he went away from

Jerusalem.

12:19 And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, are they

not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

12:20 And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in

the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla.

12:21 For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of

Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with

his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his

stead.

13:1 In the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king

of Judah Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in

Samaria, and reigned seventeen years.

13:2 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, and

followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to

sin; he departed not therefrom.

13:3 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he

delivered them into the hand of Hazael king of Syria, and into the

hand of Benhadad the son of Hazael, all their days.

13:4 And Jehoahaz besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened unto him:

for he saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria

oppressed them.

13:5 (And the LORD gave Israel a saviour, so that they went out from

under the hand of the Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in

their tents, as beforetime.

13:6 Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of

Jeroboam, who made Israel sin, but walked therein: and there remained

the grove also in Samaria.) 13:7 Neither did he leave of the people

to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand

footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them

like the dust by threshing.

13:8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and

his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel? 13:9 And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they

buried him in Samaria: and Joash his son reigned in his stead.

13:10 In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began

Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, and

reigned sixteen years.

13:11 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD; he

departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made

Israel sin: but he walked therein.

13:12 And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his

might wherewith he fought against Amaziah king of Judah, are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? 13:13

And Joash slept with his fathers; and Jeroboam sat upon his throne:

and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

13:14 Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And

Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face,

and said, O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the

horsemen thereof.

13:15 And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows. And he took unto

him bow and arrows.

13:16 And he said to the king of Israel, Put thine hand upon the bow.

And he put his hand upon it: and Elisha put his hands upon the king's

hands.

13:17 And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened it. Then

Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And he said, The arrow of the LORD's

deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt

smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed them.

13:18 And he said, Take the arrows. And he took them. And he said unto

the king of Israel, Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and

stayed.

13:19 And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest

have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till

thou hadst consumed it: whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice.

13:20 And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the

Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year.

13:21 And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold,

they spied a band of men; and they cast the man into the sepulchre of

Elisha: and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of

Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

13:22 But Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of

Jehoahaz.

13:23 And the LORD was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them,

and had respect unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham,

Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither cast he them

from his presence as yet.

13:24 So Hazael king of Syria died; and Benhadad his son reigned in

his stead.

13:25 And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz took again out of the hand of

Benhadad the son of Hazael the cities, which he had taken out of the

hand of Jehoahaz his father by war. Three times did Joash beat him,

and recovered the cities of Israel.

14:1 In the second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel

reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah.

14:2 He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and

reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was

Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

14:3 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, yet not

like David his father: he did according to all things as Joash his

father did.

14:4 Howbeit the high places were not taken away: as yet the people

did sacrifice and burnt incense on the high places.

14:5 And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his

hand, that he slew his servants which had slain the king his father.

14:6 But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto

that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein the

LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the

children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every

man shall be put to death for his own sin.

14:7 He slew of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and took

Selah by war, and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day.

14:8 Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son

of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the

face.

14:9 And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah,

saying, The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in

Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed

by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.

14:10 Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and thine heart hath lifted thee

up: glory of this, and tarry at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to

thy hurt, that thou shouldest fall, even thou, and Judah with thee?

14:11 But Amaziah would not hear. Therefore Jehoash king of Israel

went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the

face at Bethshemesh, which belongeth to Judah.

14:12 And Judah was put to the worse before Israel; and they fled

every man to their tents.

14:13 And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son

of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Bethshemesh, and came to Jerusalem,

and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the

corner gate, four hundred cubits.

14:14 And he took all the gold and silver, and all the vessels that

were found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the

king's house, and hostages, and returned to Samaria.

14:15 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might,

and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah, are they not written in

the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? 14:16 And Jehoash

slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of

Israel; and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead.

14:17 And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death

of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.

14:18 And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, are they not written in the

book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? 14:19 Now they made a

conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to Lachish; but they

sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there.

14:20 And they brought him on horses: and he was buried at Jerusalem

with his fathers in the city of David.

14:21 And all the people of Judah took Azariah, which was sixteen

years old, and made him king instead of his father Amaziah.

14:22 He built Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king

slept with his fathers.

14:23 In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah

Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria,

and reigned forty and one years.

14:24 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he

departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made

Israel to sin.

14:25 He restored the coast of Israel from the entering of Hamath unto

the sea of the plain, according to the word of the LORD God of Israel,

which he spake by the hand of his servant Jonah, the son of Amittai,

the prophet, which was of Gathhepher.

14:26 For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, that it was very

bitter: for there was not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper

for Israel.

14:27 And the LORD said not that he would blot out the name of Israel

from under heaven: but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son

of Joash.

14:28 Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and

his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath,

which belonged to Judah, for Israel, are they not written in the book

of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? 14:29 And Jeroboam slept

with his fathers, even with the kings of Israel; and Zachariah his son

reigned in his stead.

15:1 In the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began

Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign.

15:2 Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned

two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jecholiah

of Jerusalem.

15:3 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that his father Amaziah had done; 15:4 Save that the

high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense

still on the high places.

15:5 And the LORD smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day

of his death, and dwelt in a several house. And Jotham the king's son

was over the house, judging the people of the land.

15:6 And the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, are

they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

15:7 So Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his

fathers in the city of David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

15:8 In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did

Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months.

15:9 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his

fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of

Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

15:10 And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote

him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

15:11 And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, behold, they are written

in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

15:12 This was the word of the LORD which he spake unto Jehu, saying,

Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the fourth generation.

And so it came to pass.

15:13 Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and

thirtieth year of Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned a full month in

Samaria.

15:14 For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to

Samaria, and smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him,

and reigned in his stead.

15:15 And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he

made, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel.

15:16 Then Menahem smote Tiphsah, and all that were therein, and the

coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not to him, therefore

he smote it; and all the women therein that were with child he ripped

up.

15:17 In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began

Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, and reigned ten years in

Samaria.

15:18 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he

departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat,

who made Israel to sin.

15:19 And Pul the king of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem

gave Pul a thousand talents of silver, that his hand might be with him

to confirm the kingdom in his hand.

15:20 And Menahem exacted the money of Israel, even of all the mighty

men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the

king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not

there in the land.

15:21 And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, are

they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

15:22 And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned

in his stead.

15:23 In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son

of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned two

years.

15:24 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he

departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made

Israel to sin.

15:25 But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired

against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's

house, with Argob and Arieh, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites:

and he killed him, and reigned in his room.

15:26 And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did,

behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of

Israel.

15:27 In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the

son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned

twenty years.

15:28 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he

departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made

Israel to sin.

15:29 In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglathpileser king of

Assyria, and took Ijon, and Abelbethmaachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh,

and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and

carried them captive to Assyria.

15:30 And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the

son of Remaliah, and smote him, and slew him, and reigned in his

stead, in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah.

15:31 And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold,

they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

15:32 In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel

began Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign.

15:33 Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he

reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jerusha,

the daughter of Zadok.

15:34 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD: he did

according to all that his father Uzziah had done.

15:35 Howbeit the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed

and burned incense still in the high places. He built the higher gate

of the house of the LORD.

15:36 Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, are

they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

15:37 In those days the LORD began to send against Judah Rezin the

king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah.

15:38 And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his

fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in

his stead.

16:1 In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son

of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.

16:2 Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned

sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not that which was right in the

sight of the LORD his God, like David his father.

16:3 But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made

his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the

heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.

16:4 And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on

the hills, and under every green tree.

16:5 Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel

came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not

overcome him.

16:6 At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria, and

drave the Jews from Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt

there unto this day.

16:7 So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglathpileser king of Assyria,

saying, I am thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the

hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel,

which rise up against me.

16:8 And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of

the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent it for a

present to the king of Assyria.

16:9 And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of

Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried the people

of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.

16:10 And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglathpileser king of

Assyria, and saw an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to

Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it,

according to all the workmanship thereof.

16:11 And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king

Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made it against king

Ahaz came from Damascus.

16:12 And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the

altar: and the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon.

16:13 And he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and

poured his drink offering, and sprinkled the blood of his peace

offerings, upon the altar.

16:14 And he brought also the brasen altar, which was before the LORD,

from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house

of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar.

16:15 And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the

great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat

offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with

the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat

offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the

blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and

the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire by.

16:16 Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz

commanded.

16:17 And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the

laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen

that were under it, and put it upon the pavement of stones.

16:18 And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house,

and the king's entry without, turned he from the house of the LORD for

the king of Assyria.

16:19 Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? 16:20

And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in

the city of David: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

17:1 In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began Hoshea the son of

Elah to reign in Samaria over Israel nine years.

17:2 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, but not

as the kings of Israel that were before him.

17:3 Against him came up Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea

became his servant, and gave him presents.

17:4 And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had

sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and brought no present to the

king of Assyria, as he had done year by year: therefore the king of

Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison.

17:5 Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and

went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years.

17:6 In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and

carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in

Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.

17:7 For so it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against the

LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt,

from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other

gods, 17:8 And walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD

cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of

Israel, which they had made.

17:9 And the children of Israel did secretly those things that were

not right against the LORD their God, and they built them high places

in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced

city.

17:10 And they set them up images and groves in every high hill, and

under every green tree: 17:11 And there they burnt incense in all the

high places, as did the heathen whom the LORD carried away before

them; and wrought wicked things to provoke the LORD to anger: 17:12

For they served idols, whereof the LORD had said unto them, Ye shall

not do this thing.

17:13 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all

the prophets, and by all the seers, saying, Turn ye from your evil

ways, and keep my commandments and my statutes, according to all the

law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my

servants the prophets.

17:14 Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks,

like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD

their God.

17:15 And they rejected his statutes, and his covenant that he made

with their fathers, and his testimonies which he testified against

them; and they followed vanity, and became vain, and went after the

heathen that were round about them, concerning whom the LORD had

charged them, that they should not do like them.

17:16 And they left all the commandments of the LORD their God, and

made them molten images, even two calves, and made a grove, and

worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal.

17:17 And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through

the fire, and used divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to

do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

17:18 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them

out of his sight: there was none left but the tribe of Judah only.

17:19 Also Judah kept not the commandments of the LORD their God, but

walked in the statutes of Israel which they made.

17:20 And the LORD rejected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted

them, and delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast

them out of his sight.

17:21 For he rent Israel from the house of David; and they made

Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from

following the LORD, and made them sin a great sin.

17:22 For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam

which he did; they departed not from them; 17:23 Until the LORD

removed Israel out of his sight, as he had said by all his servants

the prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to

Assyria unto this day.

17:24 And the king of Assyria brought men from Babylon, and from

Cuthah, and from Ava, and from Hamath, and from Sepharvaim, and placed

them in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and

they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.

17:25 And so it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, that

they feared not the LORD: therefore the LORD sent lions among them,

which slew some of them.

17:26 Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations

which thou hast removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not

the manner of the God of the land: therefore he hath sent lions among

them, and, behold, they slay them, because they know not the manner of

the God of the land.

17:27 Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, Carry thither one of

the priests whom ye brought from thence; and let them go and dwell

there, and let him teach them the manner of the God of the land.

17:28 Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria

came and dwelt in Bethel, and taught them how they should fear the

LORD.

17:29 Howbeit every nation made gods of their own, and put them in the

houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation

in their cities wherein they dwelt.

17:30 And the men of Babylon made Succothbenoth, and the men of Cuth

made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima, 17:31 And the Avites

made Nibhaz and Tartak, and the Sepharvites burnt their children in

fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim.

17:32 So they feared the LORD, and made unto themselves of the lowest

of them priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the

houses of the high places.

17:33 They feared the LORD, and served their own gods, after the

manner of the nations whom they carried away from thence.

17:34 Unto this day they do after the former manners: they fear not

the LORD, neither do they after their statutes, or after their

ordinances, or after the law and commandment which the LORD commanded

the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel; 17:35 With whom the LORD

had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, Ye shall not fear other

gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to

them: 17:36 But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt

with great power and a stretched out arm, him shall ye fear, and him

shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.

17:37 And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the

commandment, which he wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for

evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.

17:38 And the covenant that I have made with you ye shall not forget;

neither shall ye fear other gods.

17:39 But the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you

out of the hand of all your enemies.

17:40 Howbeit they did not hearken, but they did after their former

manner.

17:41 So these nations feared the LORD, and served their graven

images, both their children, and their children's children: as did

their fathers, so do they unto this day.

18:1 Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king

of Israel, that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.

18:2 Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he

reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was

Abi, the daughter of Zachariah.

18:3 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that David his father did.

18:4 He removed the high places, and brake the images, and cut down

the groves, and brake in pieces the brasen serpent that Moses had

made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to

it: and he called it Nehushtan.

18:5 He trusted in the LORD God of Israel; so that after him was none

like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any that were before him.

18:6 For he clave to the LORD, and departed not from following him,

but kept his commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses.

18:7 And the LORD was with him; and he prospered whithersoever he went

forth: and he rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him

not.

18:8 He smote the Philistines, even unto Gaza, and the borders

thereof, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.

18:9 And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which

was the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that

Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it.

18:10 And at the end of three years they took it: even in the sixth

year of Hezekiah, that is in the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel,

Samaria was taken.

18:11 And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and

put them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the

cities of the Medes: 18:12 Because they obeyed not the voice of the

LORD their God, but transgressed his covenant, and all that Moses the

servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear them, nor do them.

18:13 Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did Sennacherib king

of Assyria come up against all the fenced cities of Judah, and took

them.

18:14 And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to

Lachish, saying, I have offended; return from me: that which thou

puttest on me will I bear. And the king of Assyria appointed unto

Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty

talents of gold.

18:15 And Hezekiah gave him all the silver that was found in the house

of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house.

18:16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off the gold from the doors of the

temple of the LORD, and from the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah

had overlaid, and gave it to the king of Assyria.

18:17 And the king of Assyria sent Tartan and Rabsaris and Rabshakeh

from Lachish to king Hezekiah with a great host against Jerusalem. And

they went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they

came and stood by the conduit of the upper pool, which is in the

highway of the fuller's field.

18:18 And when they had called to the king, there came out to them

Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which was over the household, and Shebna

the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder.

18:19 And Rabshakeh said unto them, Speak ye now to Hezekiah, Thus

saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this

wherein thou trustest? 18:20 Thou sayest, (but they are but vain

words,) I have counsel and strength for the war. Now on whom dost thou

trust, that thou rebellest against me? 18:21 Now, behold, thou

trustest upon the staff of this bruised reed, even upon Egypt, on

which if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so is

Pharaoh king of Egypt unto all that trust on him.

18:22 But if ye say unto me, We trust in the LORD our God: is not that

he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and

hath said to Judah and Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar

in Jerusalem? 18:23 Now therefore, I pray thee, give pledges to my

lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliver thee two thousand horses,

if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

18:24 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the

least of my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots

and for horsemen? 18:25 Am I now come up without the LORD against

this place to destroy it? The LORD said to me, Go up against this

land, and destroy it.

18:26 Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto

Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray thee, to thy servants in the Syrian language;

for we understand it: and talk not with us in the Jews' language in

the ears of the people that are on the wall.

18:27 But Rabshakeh said unto them, Hath my master sent me to thy

master, and to thee, to speak these words? hath he not sent me to the

men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink

their own piss with you? 18:28 Then Rabshakeh stood and cried with a

loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake, saying, Hear the word of

the great king, the king of Assyria: 18:29 Thus saith the king, Let

not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you out

of his hand: 18:30 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD,

saying, The LORD will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be

delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

18:31 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria,

Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me, and then

eat ye every man of his own vine, and every one of his fig tree, and

drink ye every one the waters of his cistern: 18:32 Until I come and

take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a

land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye

may live, and not die: and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he

persuadeth you, saying, The LORD will deliver us.

18:33 Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered at all his land

out of the hand of the king of Assyria? 18:34 Where are the gods of

Hamath, and of Arpad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena, and

Ivah? have they delivered Samaria out of mine hand? 18:35 Who are

they among all the gods of the countries, that have delivered their

country out of mine hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out

of mine hand? 18:36 But the people held their peace, and answered him

not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not.

18:37 Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which was over the

household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the

recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and told him the words

of Rabshakeh.

19:1 And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent

his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the

house of the LORD.

19:2 And he sent Eliakim, which was over the household, and Shebna the

scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to

Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

19:3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day of

trouble, and of rebuke, and blasphemy; for the children are come to

the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

19:4 It may be the LORD thy God will hear all the words of Rabshakeh,

whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living

God; and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard:

wherefore lift up thy prayer for the remnant that are left.

19:5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

19:6 And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say to your master, Thus

saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with

which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

19:7 Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour,

and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the

sword in his own land.

19:8 So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring

against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.

19:9 And when he heard say of Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, Behold, he is

come out to fight against thee: he sent messengers again unto

Hezekiah, saying, 19:10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah,

saying, Let not thy God in whom thou trustest deceive thee, saying,

Jerusalem shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

19:11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to

all lands, by destroying them utterly: and shalt thou be delivered?

19:12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers

have destroyed; as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of

Eden which were in Thelasar? 19:13 Where is the king of Hamath, and

the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of Hena,

and Ivah? 19:14 And Hezekiah received the letter of the hand of the

messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up into the house of the

LORD, and spread it before the LORD.

19:15 And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of

Israel, which dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even

thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; thou hast made heaven

and earth.

19:16 LORD, bow down thine ear, and hear: open, LORD, thine eyes, and

see: and hear the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent him to

reproach the living God.

19:17 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have destroyed the

nations and their lands, 19:18 And have cast their gods into the fire:

for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone:

therefore they have destroyed them.

19:19 Now therefore, O LORD our God, I beseech thee, save thou us out

of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art

the LORD God, even thou only.

19:20 Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith

the LORD God of Israel, That which thou hast prayed to me against

Sennacherib king of Assyria I have heard.

19:21 This is the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The

virgin the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, and laughed thee to

scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

19:22 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast

thou exalted thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? even against

the Holy One of Israel.

19:23 By thy messengers thou hast reproached the LORD, and hast said,

With the multitude of my chariots I am come up to the height of the

mountains, to the sides of Lebanon, and will cut down the tall cedar

trees thereof, and the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into

the lodgings of his borders, and into the forest of his Carmel.

19:24 I have digged and drunk strange waters, and with the sole of my

feet have I dried up all the rivers of besieged places.

19:25 Hast thou not heard long ago how I have done it, and of ancient

times that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou

shouldest be to lay waste fenced cities into ruinous heaps.

19:26 Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were

dismayed and confounded; they were as the grass of the field, and as

the green herb, as the grass on the house tops, and as corn blasted

before it be grown up.

19:27 But I know thy abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and

thy rage against me.

19:28 Because thy rage against me and thy tumult is come up into mine

ears, therefore I will put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy

lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.

19:29 And this shall be a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat this year such

things as grow of themselves, and in the second year that which

springeth of the same; and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and

plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.

19:30 And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall yet

again take root downward, and bear fruit upward.

19:31 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that

escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.

19:32 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He

shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come

before it with shield, nor cast a bank against it.

19:33 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall

not come into this city, saith the LORD.

19:34 For I will defend this city, to save it, for mine own sake, and

for my servant David's sake.

19:35 And it came to pass that night, that the angel of the LORD went

out, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and

five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they

were all dead corpses.

19:36 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned,

and dwelt at Nineveh.

19:37 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of

Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with

the sword: and they escaped into the land of Armenia. And Esarhaddon

his son reigned in his stead.

20:1 In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet

Isaiah the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the

LORD, Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live.

20:2 Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the LORD,

saying, 20:3 I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I have walked

before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that

which is good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore.

20:4 And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle

court, that the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 20:5 Turn again,

and tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the

God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy

tears: behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up

unto the house of the LORD.

20:6 And I will add unto thy days fifteen years; and I will deliver

thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will

defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

20:7 And Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid it

on the boil, and he recovered.

20:8 And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, What shall be the sign that the

LORD will heal me, and that I shall go up into the house of the LORD

the third day? 20:9 And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the

LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the

shadow go forward ten degrees, or go back ten degrees? 20:10 And

Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten

degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees.

20:11 And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the LORD: and he brought the

shadow ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the dial of

Ahaz.

20:12 At that time Berodachbaladan, the son of Baladan, king of

Babylon, sent letters and a present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard

that Hezekiah had been sick.

20:13 And Hezekiah hearkened unto them, and shewed them all the house

of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and

the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that

was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all

his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

20:14 Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto

him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And

Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country, even from Babylon.

20:15 And he said, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah

answered, All the things that are in mine house have they seen: there

is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

20:16 And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD.

20:17 Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, and that

which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be

carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

20:18 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt

beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace

of the king of Babylon.

20:19 Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, Good is the word of the LORD

which thou hast spoken. And he said, Is it not good, if peace and

truth be in my days? 20:20 And the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and

all his might, and how he made a pool, and a conduit, and brought

water into the city, are they not written in the book of the

chronicles of the kings of Judah? 20:21 And Hezekiah slept with his

fathers: and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

21:1 Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned

fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was

Hephzibah.

21:2 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, after

the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out before the

children of Israel.

21:3 For he built up again the high places which Hezekiah his father

had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, as

did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all the host of heaven, and

served them.

21:4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD

said, In Jerusalem will I put my name.

21:5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts

of the house of the LORD.

21:6 And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times,

and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he

wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to

anger.

21:7 And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the

house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, In

this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of

Israel, will I put my name for ever: 21:8 Neither will I make the feet

of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers;

only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded

them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded

them.

21:9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil

than did the nations whom the LORD destroyed before the children of

Israel.

21:10 And the LORD spake by his servants the prophets, saying, 21:11

Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, and hath

done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which were before him,

and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols: 21:12 Therefore thus

saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I am bringing such evil upon

Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall

tingle.

21:13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the

plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as a man

wipeth a dish, wiping it, and turning it upside down.

21:14 And I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver

them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and

a spoil to all their enemies; 21:15 Because they have done that which

was evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day

their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day.

21:16 Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had

filled Jerusalem from one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he

made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of the

LORD.

21:17 Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and

his sin that he sinned, are they not written in the book of the

chronicles of the kings of Judah? 21:18 And Manasseh slept with his

fathers, and was buried in the garden of his own house, in the garden

of Uzza: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.

21:19 Amon was twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he

reigned two years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was

Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of Jotbah.

21:20 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his

father Manasseh did.

21:21 And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, and

served the idols that his father served, and worshipped them: 21:22

And he forsook the LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way

of the LORD.

21:23 And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the

king in his own house.

21:24 And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired

against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king

in his stead.

21:25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon which he did, are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? 21:26

And he was buried in his sepulchre in the garden of Uzza: and Josiah

his son reigned in his stead.

22:1 Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned

thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jedidah,

the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath.

22:2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, and

walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the

right hand or to the left.

22:3 And it came to pass in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, that

the king sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam, the

scribe, to the house of the LORD, saying, 22:4 Go up to Hilkiah the

high priest, that he may sum the silver which is brought into the

house of the LORD, which the keepers of the door have gathered of the

people: 22:5 And let them deliver it into the hand of the doers of the

work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD: and let them

give it to the doers of the work which is in the house of the LORD, to

repair the breaches of the house, 22:6 Unto carpenters, and builders,

and masons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to repair the house.

22:7 Howbeit there was no reckoning made with them of the money that

was delivered into their hand, because they dealt faithfully.

22:8 And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe, I have

found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah gave

the book to Shaphan, and he read it.

22:9 And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king

word again, and said, Thy servants have gathered the money that was

found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of them that

do the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD.

22:10 And Shaphan the scribe shewed the king, saying, Hilkiah the

priest hath delivered me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king.

22:11 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the

book of the law, that he rent his clothes.

22:12 And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of

Shaphan, and Achbor the son of Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and

Asahiah a servant of the king's, saying, 22:13 Go ye, enquire of the

LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the

words of this book that is found: for great is the wrath of the LORD

that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not hearkened

unto the words of this book, to do according unto all that which is

written concerning us.

22:14 So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and

Asahiah, went unto Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son

of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt

in Jerusalem in the college;) and they communed with her.

22:15 And she said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell

the man that sent you to me, 22:16 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will

bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, even all

the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read: 22:17 Because

they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that

they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands;

therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not

be quenched.

22:18 But to the king of Judah which sent you to enquire of the LORD,

thus shall ye say to him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, As

touching the words which thou hast heard; 22:19 Because thine heart

was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the LORD, when thou

heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants

thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and hast

rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard thee, saith

the LORD.

22:20 Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou

shalt be gathered into thy grave in peace; and thine eyes shall not

see all the evil which I will bring upon this place. And they brought

the king word again.

23:1 And the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of

Judah and of Jerusalem.

23:2 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men

of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the

priests, and the prophets, and all the people, both small and great:

and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant

which was found in the house of the LORD.

23:3 And the king stood by a pillar, and made a covenant before the

LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments and his

testimonies and his statutes with all their heart and all their soul,

to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book.

And all the people stood to the covenant.

23:4 And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the priests

of the second order, and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out

of the temple of the LORD all the vessels that were made for Baal, and

for the grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he burned them

without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of

them unto Bethel.

23:5 And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah

had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of

Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned

incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets,

and to all the host of heaven.

23:6 And he brought out the grove from the house of the LORD, without

Jerusalem, unto the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron,

and stamped it small to powder, and cast the powder thereof upon the

graves of the children of the people.

23:7 And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, that were by the

house of the LORD, where the women wove hangings for the grove.

23:8 And he brought all the priests out of the cities of Judah, and

defiled the high places where the priests had burned incense, from

Geba to Beersheba, and brake down the high places of the gates that

were in the entering in of the gate of Joshua the governor of the

city, which were on a man's left hand at the gate of the city.

23:9 Nevertheless the priests of the high places came not up to the

altar of the LORD in Jerusalem, but they did eat of the unleavened

bread among their brethren.

23:10 And he defiled Topheth, which is in the valley of the children

of Hinnom, that no man might make his son or his daughter to pass

through the fire to Molech.

23:11 And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to

the sun, at the entering in of the house of the LORD, by the chamber

of Nathanmelech the chamberlain, which was in the suburbs, and burned

the chariots of the sun with fire.

23:12 And the altars that were on the top of the upper chamber of

Ahaz, which the kings of Judah had made, and the altars which Manasseh

had made in the two courts of the house of the LORD, did the king beat

down, and brake them down from thence, and cast the dust of them into

the brook Kidron.

23:13 And the high places that were before Jerusalem, which were on

the right hand of the mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of

Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Zidonians, and

for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for Milcom the

abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile.

23:14 And he brake in pieces the images, and cut down the groves, and

filled their places with the bones of men.

23:15 Moreover the altar that was at Bethel, and the high place which

Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, had made, both that

altar and the high place he brake down, and burned the high place, and

stamped it small to powder, and burned the grove.

23:16 And as Josiah turned himself, he spied the sepulchres that were

there in the mount, and sent, and took the bones out of the

sepulchres, and burned them upon the altar, and polluted it, according

to the word of the LORD which the man of God proclaimed, who

proclaimed these words.

23:17 Then he said, What title is that that I see? And the men of the

city told him, It is the sepulchre of the man of God, which came from

Judah, and proclaimed these things that thou hast done against the

altar of Bethel.

23:18 And he said, Let him alone; let no man move his bones. So they

let his bones alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of

Samaria.

23:19 And all the houses also of the high places that were in the

cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke the

Lord to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the

acts that he had done in Bethel.

23:20 And he slew all the priests of the high places that were there

upon the altars, and burned men's bones upon them, and returned to

Jerusalem.

23:21 And the king commanded all the people, saying, Keep the passover

unto the LORD your God, as it is written in the book of this covenant.

23:22 Surely there was not holden such a passover from the days of the

judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel,

nor of the kings of Judah; 23:23 But in the eighteenth year of king

Josiah, wherein this passover was holden to the LORD in Jerusalem.

23:24 Moreover the workers with familiar spirits, and the wizards, and

the images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were spied in

the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah put away, that he might

perform the words of the law which were written in the book that

Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the LORD.

23:25 And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to

the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his

might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose

there any like him.

23:26 Notwithstanding the LORD turned not from the fierceness of his

great wrath, wherewith his anger was kindled against Judah, because of

all the provocations that Manasseh had provoked him withal.

23:27 And the LORD said, I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as

I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I

have chosen, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there.

23:28 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, are

they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

23:29 In his days Pharaohnechoh king of Egypt went up against the king

of Assyria to the river Euphrates: and king Josiah went against him;

and he slew him at Megiddo, when he had seen him.

23:30 And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and

brought him to Jerusalem, and buried him in his own sepulchre. And the

people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and anointed him,

and made him king in his father's stead.

23:31 Jehoahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign;

and he reigned three months in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was

Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

23:32 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that his fathers had done.

23:33 And Pharaohnechoh put him in bands at Riblah in the land of

Hamath, that he might not reign in Jerusalem; and put the land to a

tribute of an hundred talents of silver, and a talent of gold.

23:34 And Pharaohnechoh made Eliakim the son of Josiah king in the

room of Josiah his father, and turned his name to Jehoiakim, and took

Jehoahaz away: and he came to Egypt, and died there.

23:35 And Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but he

taxed the land to give the money according to the commandment of

Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and the gold of the people of the land,

of every one according to his taxation, to give it unto Pharaohnechoh.

23:36 Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign;

and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was

Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah of Rumah.

23:37 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that his fathers had done.

24:1 In his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim

became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against

him.

24:2 And the LORD sent against him bands of the Chaldees, and bands of

the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of

Ammon, and sent them against Judah to destroy it, according to the

word of the LORD, which he spake by his servants the prophets.

24:3 Surely at the commandment of the LORD came this upon Judah, to

remove them out of his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to

all that he did; 24:4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed:

for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; which the LORD would not

pardon.

24:5 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and all that he did, are

they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

24:6 So Jehoiakim slept with his fathers: and Jehoiachin his son

reigned in his stead.

24:7 And the king of Egypt came not again any more out of his land:

for the king of Babylon had taken from the river of Egypt unto the

river Euphrates all that pertained to the king of Egypt.

24:8 Jehoiachin was eighteen years old when he began to reign, and he

reigned in Jerusalem three months. And his mother's name was Nehushta,

the daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem.

24:9 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that his father had done.

24:10 At that time the servants of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came

up against Jerusalem, and the city was besieged.

24:11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and

his servants did besiege it.

24:12 And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of

Babylon, he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and

his officers: and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of

his reign.

24:13 And he carried out thence all the treasures of the house of the

LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, and cut in pieces all the

vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel had made in the temple of

the LORD, as the LORD had said.

24:14 And he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all

the mighty men of valour, even ten thousand captives, and all the

craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save the poorest sort of the

people of the land.

24:15 And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon, and the king's

mother, and the king's wives, and his officers, and the mighty of the

land, those carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

24:16 And all the men of might, even seven thousand, and craftsmen and

smiths a thousand, all that were strong and apt for war, even them the

king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon.

24:17 And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah his father's brother king

in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah.

24:18 Zedekiah was twenty and one 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.

24:19 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

24:20 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem

and Judah, until he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah

rebelled against the king of Babylon.

25:1 And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth

month, in the tenth day of the month, that Nebuchadnezzar king of

Babylon came, he, and all his host, against Jerusalem, and pitched

against it; and they built forts against it round about.

25:2 And the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king

Zedekiah.

25:3 And on the ninth day of the fourth month the famine prevailed in

the city, and there was no bread for the people of the land.

25:4 And the city was broken up, and all the men of war fled by night

by the way of the gate between two walls, which is by the king's

garden: (now the Chaldees were against the city round about:) and the

king went the way toward the plain.

25:5 And the army of the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook

him in the plains of Jericho: and all his army were scattered from

him.

25:6 So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of Babylon

to Riblah; and they gave judgment upon him.

25:7 And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out

the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him with fetters of brass, and carried

him to Babylon.

25:8 And in the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month, which is

the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, came

Nebuzaradan, captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon,

unto Jerusalem: 25:9 And he burnt the house of the LORD, and the

king's house, and all the houses of Jerusalem, and every great man's

house burnt he with fire.

25:10 And all the army of the Chaldees, that were with the captain of

the guard, brake down the walls of Jerusalem round about.

25:11 Now the rest of the people that were left in the city, and the

fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of

the multitude, did Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard carry away.

25:12 But the captain of the guard left of the door of the poor of the

land to be vinedressers and husbandmen.

25:13 And 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, did

the Chaldees break in pieces, and carried the brass of them to

Babylon.

25:14 And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons,

and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they

away.

25:15 And the firepans, and the bowls, and such things as were of

gold, in gold, and of silver, in silver, the captain of the guard took

away.

25:16 The two pillars, one sea, and the bases which Solomon had made

for the house of the LORD; the brass of all these vessels was without

weight.

25:17 The height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits, and the

chapiter upon it was brass: and the height of the chapiter three

cubits; and the wreathen work, and pomegranates upon the chapiter

round about, all of brass: and like unto these had the second pillar

with wreathen work.

25:18 And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and

Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the door: 25:19

And out of the city he took an officer that was set over the men of

war, and five men of them that were in the king's presence, which were

found in the city, and the principal scribe of the host, which

mustered the people of the land, and threescore men of the people of

the land that were found in the city: 25:20 And Nebuzaradan captain of

the guard took these, and brought them to the king of Babylon to

Riblah: 25:21 And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at

Riblah in the land of Hamath. So Judah was carried away out of their

land.

25:22 And as for the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom

Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made

Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.

25:23 And when all the captains of the armies, they and their men,

heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah governor, there came

to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan

the son of Careah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite,

and Jaazaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.

25:24 And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their men, and said unto

them, Fear not to be the servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land,

and serve the king of Babylon; and it shall be well with you.

25:25 But it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son

of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, came, and ten

men with him, and smote Gedaliah, that he died, and the Jews and the

Chaldees that were with him at Mizpah.

25:26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of

the armies, arose, and came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the

Chaldees.

25:27 And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the

captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the

seven and twentieth day of the month, that Evilmerodach king of

Babylon in the year that he began to reign did lift up the head of

Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison; 25:28 And he spake kindly to

him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with

him in Babylon; 25:29 And changed his prison garments: and he did eat

bread continually before him all the days of his life.

25:30 And his allowance was a continual allowance given him of the

king, a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.

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1:1 Adam, Sheth, Enosh, 1:2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered, 1:3 Henoch,

Methuselah, Lamech, 1:4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

1:5 The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and

Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

1:6 And the sons of Gomer; Ashchenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

1:7 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.

1:8 The sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.

1:9 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah,

and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

1:10 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.

1:11 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

1:12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines,) and

Caphthorim.

1:13 And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth, 1:14 The Jebusite

also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite, 1:15 And the Hivite, and

the Arkite, and the Sinite, 1:16 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite,

and the Hamathite.

1:17 The sons of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and

Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Meshech.

1:18 And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah begat Eber.

1:19 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one was Peleg;

because in his days the earth was divided: and his brother's name was

Joktan.

1:20 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and

Jerah, 1:21 Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah, 1:22 And Ebal, and

Abimael, and Sheba, 1:23 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these

were the sons of Joktan.

1:24 Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah, 1:25 Eber, Peleg, Reu, 1:26 Serug, Nahor,

Terah, 1:27 Abram; the same is Abraham.

1:28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.

1:29 These are their generations: The firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth;

then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam, 1:30 Mishma, and Dumah, Massa,

Hadad, and Tema, 1:31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons

of Ishmael.

1:32 Now the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran,

and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the

sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.

1:33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida,

and Eldaah. All these are the sons of Keturah.

1:34 And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.

1:35 The sons of Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and

Korah.

1:36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz,

and Timna, and Amalek.

1:37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.

1:38 And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,

and Dishon, and Ezar, and Dishan.

1:39 And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna was Lotan's

sister.

1:40 The sons of Shobal; Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and

Onam.

and the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.

1:41 The sons of Anah; Dishon. And the sons of Dishon; Amram, and

Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

1:42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, and Jakan. The sons of

Dishan; Uz, and Aran.

1:43 Now these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom before

any king reigned over the children of Israel; Bela the son of Beor:

and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

1:44 And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned

in his stead.

1:45 And when Jobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites

reigned in his stead.

1:46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote

Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his

city was Avith.

1:47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

1:48 And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned

in his stead.

1:49 And when Shaul was dead, Baalhanan the son of Achbor reigned in

his stead.

1:50 And when Baalhanan was dead, Hadad reigned in his stead: and the

name of his city was Pai; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the

daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

1:51 Hadad died also. And the dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah, duke

Aliah, duke Jetheth, 1:52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon, 1:53

Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar, 1:54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram.

These are the dukes of Edom.

2:1 These are the sons of Israel; Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,

Issachar, and Zebulun, 2:2 Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad,

and Asher.

2:3 The sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah: which three were born

unto him of the daughter of Shua the Canaanitess. And Er, the

firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD; and he slew

him.

2:4 And Tamar his daughter in law bore him Pharez and Zerah. All the

sons of Judah were five.

2:5 The sons of Pharez; Hezron, and Hamul.

2:6 And the sons of Zerah; Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol,

and Dara: five of them in all.

2:7 And the sons of Carmi; Achar, the troubler of Israel, who

transgressed in the thing accursed.

2:8 And the sons of Ethan; Azariah.

2:9 The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him; Jerahmeel, and

Ram, and Chelubai.

2:10 And Ram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat Nahshon, prince of

the children of Judah; 2:11 And Nahshon begat Salma, and Salma begat

Boaz, 2:12 And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse, 2:13 And Jesse

begat his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the

third, 2:14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth, 2:15 Ozem the

sixth, David the seventh: 2:16 Whose sisters were Zeruiah, and

Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel,

three.

2:17 And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa was Jether the

Ishmeelite.

2:18 And Caleb the son of Hezron begat children of Azubah his wife,

and of Jerioth: her sons are these; Jesher, and Shobab, and Ardon.

2:19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him Ephrath, which bare

him Hur.

2:20 And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat Bezaleel.

2:21 And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir the father

of Gilead, whom he married when he was threescore years old; and she

bare him Segub.

2:22 And Segub begat Jair, who had three and twenty cities in the land

of Gilead.

2:23 And he took Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from them,

with Kenath, and the towns thereof, even threescore cities. All these

belonged to the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

2:24 And after that Hezron was dead in Calebephratah, then Abiah

Hezron's wife bare him Ashur the father of Tekoa.

2:25 And the sons of Jerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the

firstborn, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, and Ahijah.

2:26 Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name was Atarah; she was

the mother of Onam.

2:27 And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were, Maaz, and

Jamin, and Eker.

2:28 And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of

Shammai; Nadab and Abishur.

2:29 And the name of the wife of Abishur was Abihail, and she bare him

Ahban, and Molid.

2:30 And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without

children.

2:31 And the sons of Appaim; Ishi. And the sons of Ishi; Sheshan. And

the children of Sheshan; Ahlai.

2:32 And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and

Jonathan: and Jether died without children.

2:33 And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons

of Jerahmeel.

2:34 Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a

servant, an Egyptian, whose name was Jarha.

2:35 And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant to wife; and

she bare him Attai.

2:36 And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat Zabad, 2:37 And Zabad

begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed, 2:38 And Obed begat Jehu, and

Jehu begat Azariah, 2:39 And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat

Eleasah, 2:40 And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum,

2:41 And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.

2:42 Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel were, Mesha his

firstborn, which was the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the

father of Hebron.

2:43 And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.

2:44 And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem begat

Shammai.

2:45 And the son of Shammai was Maon: and Maon was the father of

Bethzur.

2:46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez:

and Haran begat Gazez.

2:47 And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Gesham, and Pelet,

and Ephah, and Shaaph.

2:48 Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.

2:49 She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of

Machbenah, and the father of Gibea: and the daughter of Caleb was

Achsa.

2:50 These were the sons of Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of

Ephratah; Shobal the father of Kirjathjearim.

2:51 Salma the father of Bethlehem, Hareph the father of Bethgader.

2:52 And Shobal the father of Kirjathjearim had sons; Haroeh, and half

of the Manahethites.

2:53 And the families of Kirjathjearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites,

and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the Zareathites,

and the Eshtaulites, 2:54 The sons of Salma; Bethlehem, and the

Netophathites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the

Manahethites, the Zorites.

2:55 And the families of the scribes which dwelt at Jabez; the

Tirathites, the Shimeathites, and Suchathites. These are the Kenites

that came of Hemath, the father of the house of Rechab.

3:1 Now these were the sons of David, which were born unto him in

Hebron; the firstborn Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second

Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess: 3:2 The third, Absalom the son of

Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth, Adonijah

the son of Haggith: 3:3 The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth,

Ithream by Eglah his wife.

3:4 These six were born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven

years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three

years.

3:5 And these were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shimea, and Shobab, and

Nathan, and Solomon, four, of Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel: 3:6

Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet, 3:7 And Nogah, and Nepheg,

and Japhia, 3:8 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.

3:9 These were all the sons of David, beside the sons of the

concubines, and Tamar their sister.

3:10 And Solomon's son was Rehoboam, Abia his son, Asa his son,

Jehoshaphat his son, 3:11 Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his

son, 3:12 Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son, 3:13 Ahaz

his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son, 3:14 Amon his son, Josiah

his son.

3:15 And the sons of Josiah were, the firstborn Johanan, the second

Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.

3:16 And the sons of Jehoiakim: Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son.

3:17 And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, Salathiel his son, 3:18

Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and

Nedabiah.

3:19 And the sons of Pedaiah were, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the

sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their

sister: 3:20 And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah,

Jushabhesed, five.

3:21 And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah: the sons of

Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of

Shechaniah.

3:22 And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah: and the sons of Shemaiah;

Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.

3:23 And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam,

three.

3:24 And the sons of Elioenai were, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and

Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

4:1 The sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.

4:2 And Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat

Ahumai, and Lahad. These are the families of the Zorathites.

4:3 And these were of the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and

Idbash: and the name of their sister was Hazelelponi: 4:4 And Penuel

the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sons

of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Bethlehem.

4:5 And Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.

4:6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and

Haahashtari.

These were the sons of Naarah.

4:7 And the sons of Helah were, Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.

4:8 And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the

son of Harum.

4:9 And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother

called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.

4:10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou

wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand

might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it

may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.

4:11 And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which was the father

of Eshton.

4:12 And Eshton begat Bethrapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father

of Irnahash. These are the men of Rechah.

4:13 And the sons of Kenaz; Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of

Othniel; Hathath.

4:14 And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the father of

the valley of Charashim; for they were craftsmen.

4:15 And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam:

and the sons of Elah, even Kenaz.

4:16 And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.

4:17 And the sons of Ezra were, Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and

Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of

Eshtemoa.

4:18 And his wife Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber

the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these are

the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.

4:19 And the sons of his wife Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father

of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

4:20 And the sons of Shimon were, Amnon, and Rinnah, Benhanan, and

Tilon.

And the sons of Ishi were, Zoheth, and Benzoheth.

4:21 The sons of Shelah the son of Judah were, Er the father of Lecah,

and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of

them that wrought fine linen, of the house of Ashbea, 4:22 And Jokim,

and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in

Moab, and Jashubilehem. And these are ancient things.

4:23 These were the potters, and those that dwelt among plants and

hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his work.

4:24 The sons of Simeon were, Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah, and

Shaul: 4:25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

4:26 And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei

his son.

4:27 And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters: but his brethren

had not many children, neither did all their family multiply, like to

the children of Judah.

4:28 And they dwelt at Beersheba, and Moladah, and Hazarshual, 4:29

And at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad, 4:30 And at Bethuel, and at

Hormah, and at Ziklag, 4:31 And at Bethmarcaboth, and Hazarsusim, and

at Bethbirei, and at Shaaraim. These were their cities unto the reign

of David.

4:32 And their villages were, Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and

Ashan, five cities: 4:33 And all their villages that were round about

the same cities, unto Baal. These were their habitations, and their

genealogy.

4:34 And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah, the son of Amaziah, 4:35

And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of

Asiel, 4:36 And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah,

and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benaiah, 4:37 And Ziza the son of Shiphi,

the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of

Shemaiah; 4:38 These mentioned by their names were princes in their

families: and the house of their fathers increased greatly.

4:39 And they went to the entrance of Gedor, even unto the east side

of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.

4:40 And they found fat pasture and good, and the land was wide, and

quiet, and peaceable; for they of Ham had dwelt there of old.

4:41 And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of

Judah, and smote their tents, and the habitations that were found

there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and dwelt in their

rooms: because there was pasture there for their flocks.

4:42 And some of them, even of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men,

went to mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah,

and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

4:43 And they smote the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and

dwelt there unto this day.

5:1 Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he was the

firstborn; but forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his

birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and

the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.

5:2 For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him came the chief

ruler; but the birthright was Joseph's:) 5:3 The sons, I say, of

Reuben the firstborn of Israel were, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and

Carmi.

5:4 The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

5:5 Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son, 5:6 Beerah his son,

whom Tilgathpilneser king of Assyria carried away captive: he was

prince of the Reubenites.

5:7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their

generations was reckoned, were the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah, 5:8

And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt

in Aroer, even unto Nebo and Baalmeon: 5:9 And eastward he inhabited

unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river Euphrates:

because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead.

5:10 And in the days of Saul they made war with the Hagarites, who

fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents throughout all the

east land of Gilead.

5:11 And the children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of

Bashan unto Salcah: 5:12 Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and

Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

5:13 And their brethren of the house of their fathers were, Michael,

and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and Heber,

seven.

5:14 These are the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of

Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai,

the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz; 5:15 Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son

of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.

5:16 And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all

the suburbs of Sharon, upon their borders.

5:17 All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of Jotham king

of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam king of Israel.

5:18 The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of

Manasseh, of valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to

shoot with bow, and skilful in war, were four and forty thousand seven

hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.

5:19 And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and Nephish,

and Nodab.

5:20 And they were helped against them, and the Hagarites were

delivered into their hand, and all that were with them: for they cried

to God in the battle, and he was intreated of them; because they put

their trust in him.

5:21 And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand,

and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses two

thousand, and of men an hundred thousand.

5:22 For there fell down many slain, because the war was of God. And

they dwelt in their steads until the captivity.

5:23 And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land:

they increased from Bashan unto Baalhermon and Senir, and unto mount

Hermon.

5:24 And these were the heads of the house of their fathers, even

Epher, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah,

and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, famous men, and heads of the house

of their fathers.

5:25 And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went

a whoring after the gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed

before them.

5:26 And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of

Assyria, and the spirit of Tilgathpilneser king of Assyria, and he

carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half

tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto Halah, and Habor, and Hara,

and to the river Gozan, unto this day.

6:1 The sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

6:2 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

6:3 And the children of Amram; Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons

also of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

6:4 Eleazar begat Phinehas, Phinehas begat Abishua, 6:5 And Abishua

begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi, 6:6 And Uzzi begat Zerahiah, and

Zerahiah begat Meraioth, 6:7 Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat

Ahitub, 6:8 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Ahimaaz, 6:9 And

Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan, 6:10 And Johanan

begat Azariah, (he it is that executed the priest's office in the

temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem:) 6:11 And Azariah begat

Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub, 6:12 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and

Zadok begat Shallum, 6:13 And Shallum begat Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat

Azariah, 6:14 And Azariah begat Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,

6:15 And Jehozadak went into captivity, when the LORD carried away

Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.

6:16 The sons of Levi; Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.

6:17 And these be the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.

6:18 And the sons of Kohath were, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and

Uzziel.

6:19 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these are the families

of the Levites according to their fathers.

6:20 Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son, 6:21

Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son.

6:22 The sons of Kohath; Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his

son, 6:23 Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,

6:24 Tahath his son, Uriel his son, Uzziah his son, and Shaul his son.

6:25 And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.

6:26 As for Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah; Zophai his son, and Nahath

his son, 6:27 Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.

6:28 And the sons of Samuel; the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.

6:29 The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza

his son, 6:30 Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.

6:31 And these are they whom David set over the service of song in the

house of the LORD, after that the ark had rest.

6:32 And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle

of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house of

the LORD in Jerusalem: and then they waited on their office according

to their order.

6:33 And these are they that waited with their children. Of the sons

of the Kohathites: Heman a singer, the son of Joel, the son of

Shemuel, 6:34 The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of

Eliel, the son of Toah, 6:35 The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the

son of Mahath, the son of Amasai, 6:36 The son of Elkanah, the son of

Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah, 6:37 The son of

Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, 6:38

The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of

Israel.

6:39 And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, even Asaph

the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea, 6:40 The son of Michael, the

son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah, 6:41 The son of Ethni, the son

of Zerah, the son of Adaiah, 6:42 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah,

the son of Shimei, 6:43 The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son

of Levi.

6:44 And their brethren the sons of Merari stood on the left hand:

Ethan the son of Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch, 6:45 The

son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah, 6:46 The son

of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer, 6:47 The son of Mahli,

the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.

6:48 Their brethren also the Levites were appointed unto all manner of

service of the tabernacle of the house of God.

6:49 But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt

offering, and on the altar of incense, and were appointed for all the

work of the place most holy, and to make an atonement for Israel,

according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.

6:50 And these are the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his

son, Abishua his son, 6:51 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his

son, 6:52 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son, 6:53

Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.

6:54 Now these are their dwelling places throughout their castles in

their coasts, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites:

for theirs was the lot.

6:55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the suburbs

thereof round about it.

6:56 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave

to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

6:57 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, namely,

Hebron, the city of refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir,

and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs, 6:58 And Hilen with her suburbs,

Debir with her suburbs, 6:59 And Ashan with her suburbs, and

Bethshemesh with her suburbs: 6:60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin;

Geba with her suburbs, and Alemeth with her suburbs, and Anathoth with

her suburbs. All their cities throughout their families were thirteen

cities.

6:61 And unto the sons of Kohath, which were left of the family of

that tribe, were cities given out of the half tribe, namely, out of

the half tribe of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.

6:62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the

tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe

of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen

cities.

6:63 Unto the sons of Merari were given by lot, throughout their

families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and

out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.

6:64 And the children of Israel gave to the Levites these cities with

their suburbs.

6:65 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah,

and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe

of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are called by their

names.

6:66 And the residue of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities

of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.

6:67 And they gave unto them, of the cities of refuge, Shechem in

mount Ephraim with her suburbs; they gave also Gezer with her suburbs,

6:68 And Jokmeam with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs,

6:69 And Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gathrimmon with her suburbs:

6:70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs, and

Bileam with her suburbs, for the family of the remnant of the sons of

Kohath.

6:71 Unto the sons of Gershom were given out of the family of the half

tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, and Ashtaroth

with her suburbs: 6:72 And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with

her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs, 6:73 And Ramoth with her

suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs: 6:74 And out of the tribe of

Asher; Mashal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs, 6:75 And

Hukok with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs: 6:76 And out of

the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammon

with her suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her suburbs.

6:77 Unto the rest of the children of Merari were given out of the

tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with her suburbs, Tabor with her suburbs:

6:78 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of

Jordan, were given them out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the

wilderness with her suburbs, and Jahzah with her suburbs, 6:79

Kedemoth also with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs: 6:80

And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and

Mahanaim with her suburbs, 6:81 And Heshbon with her suburbs, and

Jazer with her suburbs.

7:1 Now the sons of Issachar were, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and

Shimrom, four.

7:2 And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai,

and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, to wit, of

Tola: they were valiant men of might in their generations; whose

number was in the days of David two and twenty thousand and six

hundred.

7:3 And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael,

and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.

7:4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their

fathers, were bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand men:

for they had many wives and sons.

7:5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar were valiant

men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven

thousand.

7:6 The sons of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediael, three.

7:7 And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth,

and Iri, five; heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of

valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies twenty and two thousand

and thirty and four.

7:8 And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and

Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and

Alameth. All these are the sons of Becher.

7:9 And the number of them, after their genealogy by their

generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of

valour, was twenty thousand and two hundred.

7:10 The sons also of Jediael; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush,

and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and

Ahishahar.

7:11 All these the sons of Jediael, by the heads of their fathers,

mighty men of valour, were seventeen thousand and two hundred

soldiers, fit to go out for war and battle.

7:12 Shuppim also, and Huppim, the children of Ir, and Hushim, the

sons of Aher.

7:13 The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum,

the sons of Bilhah.

7:14 The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom she bare: (but his concubine

the Aramitess bare Machir the father of Gilead: 7:15 And Machir took

to wife the sister of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name was

Maachah;) and the name of the second was Zelophehad: and Zelophehad

had daughters.

7:16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his

name Peresh; and the name of his brother was Sheresh; and his sons

were Ulam and Rakem.

7:17 And the sons of Ulam; Bedan. These were the sons of Gilead, the

son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.

7:18 And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and Mahalah.

7:19 And the sons of Shemidah were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and

Aniam.

7:20 And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath

his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath his son, 7:21 And Zabad his

son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath

that were born in that land slew, because they came down to take away

their cattle.

7:22 And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brethren came

to comfort him.

7:23 And when he went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son,

and he called his name Beriah, because it went evil with his house.

7:24 (And his daughter was Sherah, who built Bethhoron the nether, and

the upper, and Uzzensherah.) 7:25 And Rephah was his son, also

Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son.

7:26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son.

7:27 Non his son, Jehoshuah his son.

7:28 And their possessions and habitations were, Bethel and the towns

thereof, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the towns

thereof; Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto Gaza and the towns

thereof: 7:29 And by the borders of the children of Manasseh,

Bethshean and her towns, Taanach and her towns, Megiddo and her towns,

Dor and her towns. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the son of

Israel.

7:30 The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and

Serah their sister.

7:31 And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who is the father of

Birzavith.

7:32 And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their

sister.

7:33 And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These

are the children of Japhlet.

7:34 And the sons of Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.

7:35 And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh,

and Amal.

7:36 The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and

Imrah, 7:37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and

Beera.

7:38 And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.

7:39 And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

7:40 All these were the children of Asher, heads of their father's

house, choice and mighty men of valour, chief of the princes. And the

number throughout the genealogy of them that were apt to the war and

to battle was twenty and six thousand men.

8:1 Now Benjamin begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and

Aharah the third, 8:2 Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth.

8:3 And the sons of Bela were, Addar, and Gera, and Abihud, 8:4 And

Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah, 8:5 And Gera, and Shephuphan, and

Huram.

8:6 And these are the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers

of the inhabitants of Geba, and they removed them to Manahath: 8:7 And

Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and

Ahihud.

8:8 And Shaharaim begat children in the country of Moab, after he had

sent them away; Hushim and Baara were his wives.

8:9 And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and

Malcham, 8:10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These were his sons,

heads of the fathers.

8:11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.

8:12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and Shamed, who built Ono,

and Lod, with the towns thereof: 8:13 Beriah also, and Shema, who were

heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon, who drove away the

inhabitants of Gath: 8:14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth, 8:15 And

Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader, 8:16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha,

the sons of Beriah; 8:17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and

Heber, 8:18 Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

8:19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi, 8:20 And Elienai, and Zilthai,

and Eliel, 8:21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of

Shimhi; 8:22 And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel, 8:23 And Abdon, and

Zichri, and Hanan, 8:24 And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah, 8:25

And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak; 8:26 And Shamsherai,

and Shehariah, and Athaliah, 8:27 And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri,

the sons of Jeroham.

8:28 These were heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief men.

These dwelt in Jerusalem.

8:29 And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name was

Maachah: 8:30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and

Baal, and Nadab, 8:31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.

8:32 And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their

brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.

8:33 And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan,

and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

8:34 And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal; and Meribbaal begat Micah.

8:35 And the sons of Micah were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and

Ahaz.

8:36 And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and

Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza, 8:37 And Moza begat Binea:

Rapha was his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son: 8:38 And Azel had

six sons, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and

Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these were the sons of Azel.

8:39 And the sons of Eshek his brother were, Ulam his firstborn,

Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.

8:40 And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had

many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these are of the

sons of Benjamin.

9:1 So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they were

written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah, who were carried

away to Babylon for their transgression.

9:2 Now the first inhabitants that dwelt in their possessions in their

cities were, the Israelites, the priests, Levites, and the Nethinims.

9:3 And in Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah, and of the

children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh;

9:4 Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the

son of Bani, of the children of Pharez the son of Judah.

9:5 And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.

9:6 And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred

and ninety.

9:7 And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son

of Hodaviah, the son of Hasenuah, 9:8 And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham,

and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of

Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah; 9:9 And their

brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and

six. All these men were chief of the fathers in the house of their

fathers.

9:10 And of the priests; Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin, 9:11 And

Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok,

the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God;

9:12 And Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of

Malchijah, and Maasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son

of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer; 9:13 And

their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and

seven hundred and threescore; very able men for the work of the

service of the house of God.

9:14 And of the Levites; Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of

Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari; 9:15 And

Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son

of Zichri, the son of Asaph; 9:16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the

son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the

son of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.

9:17 And the porters were, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman,

and their brethren: Shallum was the chief; 9:18 Who hitherto waited in

the king's gate eastward: they were porters in the companies of the

children of Levi.

9:19 And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of

Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his father, the Korahites,

were over the work of the service, keepers of the gates of the

tabernacle: and their fathers, being over the host of the LORD, were

keepers of the entry.

9:20 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in time

past, and the LORD was with him.

9:21 And Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter of the door of

the tabernacle of the congregation.

9:22 All these which were chosen to be porters in the gates were two

hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their

villages, whom David and Samuel the seer did ordain in their set

office.

9:23 So they and their children had the oversight of the gates of the

house of the LORD, namely, the house of the tabernacle, by wards.

9:24 In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west, north,

and south.

9:25 And their brethren, which were in their villages, were to come

after seven days from time to time with them.

9:26 For these Levites, the four chief porters, were in their set

office, and were over the chambers and treasuries of the house of God.

9:27 And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge

was upon them, and the opening thereof every morning pertained to

them.

9:28 And certain of them had the charge of the ministering vessels,

that they should bring them in and out by tale.

9:29 Some of them also were appointed to oversee the vessels, and all

the instruments of the sanctuary, and the fine flour, and the wine,

and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices.

9:30 And some of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the

spices.

9:31 And Mattithiah, one of the Levites, who was the firstborn of

Shallum the Korahite, had the set office over the things that were

made in the pans.

9:32 And other of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites, were

over the shewbread, to prepare it every sabbath.

9:33 And these are the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites,

who remaining in the chambers were free: for they were employed in

that work day and night.

9:34 These chief fathers of the Levites were chief throughout their

generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.

9:35 And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's

name was Maachah: 9:36 And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and

Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab.

9:37 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.

9:38 And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their

brethren at Jerusalem, over against their brethren.

9:39 And Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan,

and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

9:40 And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal: and Meribbaal begat Micah.

9:41 And the sons of Micah were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, and

Ahaz.

9:42 And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and

Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza; 9:43 And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah

his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.

9:44 And Azel had six sons, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru,

and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these were the sons

of Azel.

10:1 Now the Philistines fought against Israel; and the men of Israel

fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.

10:2 And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons;

and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua, the

sons of Saul.

10:3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him,

and he was wounded of the archers.

10:4 Then said Saul to his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me

through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me. But his

armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. So Saul took a sword,

and fell upon it.

10:5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell

likewise on the sword, and died.

10:6 So Saul died, and his three sons, and all his house died

together.

10:7 And when all the men of Israel that were in the valley saw that

they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, then they forsook

their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

10:8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to

strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount

Gilboa.

10:9 And when they had stripped him, they took his head, and his

armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to

carry tidings unto their idols, and to the people.

10:10 And they put his armour in the house of their gods, and fastened

his head in the temple of Dagon.

10:11 And when all Jabeshgilead heard all that the Philistines had

done to Saul, 10:12 They arose, all the valiant men, and took away the

body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh,

and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

10:13 So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against

the LORD, even against the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and

also for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to enquire

of it; 10:14 And enquired not of the LORD: therefore he slew him, and

turned the kingdom unto David the son of Jesse.

11:1 Then all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying,

Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

11:2 And moreover in time past, even when Saul was king, thou wast he

that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD thy God said

unto thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be ruler

over my people Israel.

11:3 Therefore came all the elders of Israel to the king to Hebron;

and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and

they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the

LORD by Samuel.

11:4 And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which is Jebus; where

the Jebusites were, the inhabitants of the land.

11:5 And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, Thou shalt not come

hither. Nevertheless David took the castle of Zion, which is the city

of David.

11:6 And David said, Whosoever smiteth the Jebusites first shall be

chief and captain. So Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was

chief.

11:7 And David dwelt in the castle; therefore they called it the city

of David.

11:8 And he built the city round about, even from Millo round about:

and Joab repaired the rest of the city.

11:9 So David waxed greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts was

with him.

11:10 These also are the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who

strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, and with all Israel,

to make him king, according to the word of the LORD concerning Israel.

11:11 And this is the number of the mighty men whom David had;

Jashobeam, an Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his

spear against three hundred slain by him at one time.

11:12 And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who was

one of the three mighties.

11:13 He was with David at Pasdammim, and there the Philistines were

gathered together to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of

barley; and the people fled from before the Philistines.

11:14 And they set themselves in the midst of that parcel, and

delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD saved them by a

great deliverance.

11:15 Now three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David,

into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in

the valley of Rephaim.

11:16 And David was then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison

was then at Bethlehem.

11:17 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of

the water of the well of Bethlehem, that is at the gate! 11:18 And

the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water

out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and

brought it to David: but David would not drink of it, but poured it

out to the LORD.

11:19 And said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing:

shall I drink the blood of these men that have put their lives in

jeopardy? for with the jeopardy of their lives they brought it.

Therefore he would not drink it.

These things did these three mightiest.

11:20 And Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three: for

lifting up his spear against three hundred, he slew them, and had a

name among the three.

11:21 Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was

their captain: howbeit he attained not to the first three.

11:22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of

Kabzeel, who had done many acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab:

also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a snowy day.

11:23 And he slew an Egyptian, a man of great stature, five cubits

high; and in the Egyptian's hand was a spear like a weaver's beam; and

he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the

Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

11:24 These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name

among the three mighties.

11:25 Behold, he was honourable among the thirty, but attained not to

the first three: and David set him over his guard.

11:26 Also the valiant men of the armies were, Asahel the brother of

Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem, 11:27 Shammoth the

Harorite, Helez the Pelonite, 11:28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,

Abiezer the Antothite, 11:29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the

Ahohite, 11:30 Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the

Netophathite, 11:31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, that pertained

to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite, 11:32 Hurai of

the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite, 11:33 Azmaveth the

Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite, 11:34 The sons of Hashem the

Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite, 11:35 Ahiam the son

of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur, 11:36 Hepher the

Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite, 11:37 Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai

the son of Ezbai, 11:38 Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of

Haggeri, 11:39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the

armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah, 11:40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb

the Ithrite, 11:41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai, 11:42

Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and

thirty with him, 11:43 Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the

Mithnite, 11:44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of

Hothan the Aroerite, 11:45 Jediael the son of Shimri, and Joha his

brother, the Tizite, 11:46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and

Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite, 11:47 Eliel,

and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

12:1 Now these are they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet

kept himself close because of Saul the son of Kish: and they were

among the mighty men, helpers of the war.

12:2 They were armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and

the left in hurling stones and shooting arrows out of a bow, even of

Saul's brethren of Benjamin.

12:3 The chief was Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of Shemaah the

Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Berachah,

and Jehu the Antothite.

12:4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and

over the thirty; and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad

the Gederathite, 12:5 Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and

Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite, 12:6 Elkanah, and Jesiah, and

Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites, 12:7 And Joelah, and

Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.

12:8 And of the Gadites there separated themselves unto David into the

hold to the wilderness men of might, and men of war fit for the

battle, that could handle shield and buckler, whose faces were like

the faces of lions, and were as swift as the roes upon the mountains;

12:9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third, 12:10

Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth, 12:11 Attai the sixth,

Eliel the seventh, 12:12 Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth, 12:13

Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.

12:14 These were of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: one of the

least was over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.

12:15 These are they that went over Jordan in the first month, when it

had overflown all his banks; and they put to flight all them of the

valleys, both toward the east, and toward the west.

12:16 And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the hold

unto David.

12:17 And David went out to meet them, and answered and said unto

them, If ye be come peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart shall be

knit unto you: but if ye be come to betray me to mine enemies, seeing

there is no wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers look thereon,

and rebuke it.

12:18 Then the spirit came upon Amasai, who was chief of the captains,

and he said, Thine are we, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse:

peace, peace be unto thee, and peace be to thine helpers; for thy God

helpeth thee.

Then David received them, and made them captains of the band.

12:19 And there fell some of Manasseh to David, when he came with the

Philistines against Saul to battle: but they helped them not: for the

lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He

will fall to his master Saul to the jeopardy of our heads.

12:20 As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and

Jozabad, and Jediael, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and

Zilthai, captains of the thousands that were of Manasseh.

12:21 And they helped David against the band of the rovers: for they

were all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host.

12:22 For at that time day by day there came to David to help him,

until it was a great host, like the host of God.

12:23 And these are the numbers of the bands that were ready armed to

the war, and came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to

him, according to the word of the LORD.

12:24 The children of Judah that bare shield and spear were six

thousand and eight hundred, ready armed to the war.

12:25 Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the war,

seven thousand and one hundred.

12:26 Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred.

12:27 And Jehoiada was the leader of the Aaronites, and with him were

three thousand and seven hundred; 12:28 And Zadok, a young man mighty

of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two captains.

12:29 And of the children of Benjamin, the kindred of Saul, three

thousand: for hitherto the greatest part of them had kept the ward of

the house of Saul.

12:30 And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight

hundred, mighty men of valour, famous throughout the house of their

fathers.

12:31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were

expressed by name, to come and make David king.

12:32 And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had

understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads

of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their

commandment.

12:33 Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with

all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could keep rank: they

were not of double heart.

12:34 And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield

and spear thirty and seven thousand.

12:35 And of the Danites expert in war twenty and eight thousand and

six hundred.

12:36 And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, forty

thousand.

12:37 And on the other side of Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the

Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of

instruments of war for the battle, an hundred and twenty thousand.

12:38 All these men of war, that could keep rank, came with a perfect

heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest

also of Israel were of one heart to make David king.

12:39 And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking:

for their brethren had prepared for them.

12:40 Moreover they that were nigh them, even unto Issachar and

Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on

mules, and on oxen, and meat, meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of

raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: for there

was joy in Israel.

13:1 And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds,

and with every leader.

13:2 And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If it seem

good unto you, and that it be of the LORD our God, let us send abroad

unto our brethren every where, that are left in all the land of

Israel, and with them also to the priests and Levites which are in

their cities and suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:

13:3 And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired

not at it in the days of Saul.

13:4 And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the

thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

13:5 So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even

unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from

Kirjathjearim.

13:6 And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, that is, to

Kirjathjearim, which belonged to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of

God the LORD, that dwelleth between the cherubims, whose name is

called on it.

13:7 And they carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of

Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart.

13:8 And David and all Israel played before God with all their might,

and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with

timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.

13:9 And when they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put

forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled.

13:10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote

him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God.

13:11 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach

upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called Perezuzza to this day.

13:12 And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring

the ark of God home to me? 13:13 So David brought not the ark home to

himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of

Obededom the Gittite.

13:14 And the ark of God remained with the family of Obededom in his

house three months. And the LORD blessed the house of Obededom, and

all that he had.

14:1 Now Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of

cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him an house.

14:2 And David perceived that the LORD had confirmed him king over

Israel, for his kingdom was lifted up on high, because of his people

Israel.

14:3 And David took more wives at Jerusalem: and David begat more sons

and daughters.

14:4 Now these are the names of his children which he had in

Jerusalem; Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon, 14:5 And Ibhar,

and Elishua, and Elpalet, 14:6 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia, 14:7

And Elishama, and Beeliada, and Eliphalet.

14:8 And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over

all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard

of it, and went out against them.

14:9 And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of

Rephaim.

14:10 And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the

Philistines? And wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD

said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand.

14:11 So they came up to Baalperazim; and David smote them there. Then

David said, God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the

breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place

Baalperazim.

14:12 And when they had left their gods there, David gave a

commandment, and they were burned with fire.

14:13 And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in the

valley.

14:14 Therefore David enquired again of God; and God said unto him, Go

not up after them; turn away from them, and come upon them over

against the mulberry trees.

14:15 And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the

tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt go out to battle: for

God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines.

14:16 David therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the

host of the Philistines from Gibeon even to Gazer.

14:17 And the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD

brought the fear of him upon all nations.

15:1 And David made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a

place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent.

15:2 Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the

Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to

minister unto him for ever.

15:3 And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up

the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it.

15:4 And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites: 15:5

Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred

and twenty: 15:6 Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his

brethren two hundred and twenty: 15:7 Of the sons of Gershom; Joel the

chief and his brethren an hundred and thirty: 15:8 Of the sons of

Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred: 15:9 Of

the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore: 15:10

Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an

hundred and twelve.

15:11 And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the

Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and

Amminadab, 15:12 And said unto them, Ye are the chief of the fathers

of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, both ye and your brethren, that

ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto the place that

I have prepared for it.

15:13 For because ye did it not at the first, the LORD our God made a

breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.

15:14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up

the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

15:15 And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their

shoulders with the staves thereon, as Moses commanded according to the

word of the LORD.

15:16 And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their

brethren to be the singers with instruments of musick, psalteries and

harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

15:17 So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his

brethren, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their

brethren, Ethan the son of Kushaiah; 15:18 And with them their

brethren of the second degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and

Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah,

and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obededom, and Jeiel,

the porters.

15:19 So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were appointed to sound

with cymbals of brass; 15:20 And Zechariah, and Aziel, and

Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and

Benaiah, with psalteries on Alamoth; 15:21 And Mattithiah, and

Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obededom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with

harps on the Sheminith to excel.

15:22 And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, was for song: he instructed

about the song, because he was skilful.

15:23 And Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for the ark.

15:24 And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and

Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow with the

trumpets before the ark of God: and Obededom and Jehiah were

doorkeepers for the ark.

15:25 So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over

thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of

the house of Obededom with joy.

15:26 And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the

ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bullocks and

seven rams.

15:27 And David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the

Levites that bare the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master

of the song with the singers: David also had upon him an ephod of

linen.

15:28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD

with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and

with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.

15:29 And it came to pass, as the ark of the covenant of the LORD came

to the city of David, that Michal, the daughter of Saul looking out at

a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in

her heart.

16:1 So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the

tent that David had pitched for it: and they offered burnt sacrifices

and peace offerings before God.

16:2 And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings

and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the

LORD.

16:3 And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every

one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine.

16:4 And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the

ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God

of Israel: 16:5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and

Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and

Obededom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a

sound with cymbals; 16:6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with

trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God.

16:7 Then on that day David delivered first this psalm to thank the

LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.

16:8 Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his

deeds among the people.

16:9 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous

works.

16:10 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that

seek the LORD.

16:11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

16:12 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders,

and the judgments of his mouth; 16:13 O ye seed of Israel his servant,

ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

16:14 He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

16:15 Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he

commanded to a thousand generations; 16:16 Even of the covenant which

he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac; 16:17 And hath

confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an

everlasting covenant, 16:18 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of

Canaan, the lot of your inheritance; 16:19 When ye were but few, even

a few, and strangers in it.

16:20 And when they went from nation to nation, and from one kingdom

to another people; 16:21 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he

reproved kings for their sakes, 16:22 Saying, Touch not mine anointed,

and do my prophets no harm.

16:23 Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day

his salvation.

16:24 Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among

all nations.

16:25 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also is to

be feared above all gods.

16:26 For all the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the

heavens.

16:27 Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are

in his place.

16:28 Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the

LORD glory and strength.

16:29 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an

offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of

holiness.

16:30 Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable,

that it be not moved.

16:31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men

say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

16:32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields

rejoice, and all that is therein.

16:33 Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the

LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

16:34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy

endureth for ever.

16:35 And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us

together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to

thy holy name, and glory in thy praise.

16:36 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the

people said, Amen, and praised the LORD.

16:37 So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD

Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as

every day's work required: 16:38 And Obededom with their brethren,

threescore and eight; Obededom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah to

be porters: 16:39 And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests,

before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that was at

Gibeon, 16:40 To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of

the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and to do

according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which he

commanded Israel; 16:41 And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest

that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the

LORD, because his mercy endureth for ever; 16:42 And with them Heman

and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a

sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun

were porters.

16:43 And all the people departed every man to his house: and David

returned to bless his house.

17:1 Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said

to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark

of the covenant of the LORD remaineth under curtains.

17:2 Then Nathan said unto David, Do all that is in thine heart; for

God is with thee.

17:3 And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to

Nathan, saying, 17:4 Go and tell David my servant, Thus saith the

LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in: 17:5 For I have

not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this

day; but have gone from tent to tent, and from one tabernacle to

another.

17:6 Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any

of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying,

Why have ye not built me an house of cedars? 17:7 Now therefore thus

shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I

took thee from the sheepcote, even from following the sheep, that thou

shouldest be ruler over my people Israel: 17:8 And I have been with

thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine

enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of

the great men that are in the earth.

17:9 Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant

them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more;

neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at

the beginning, 17:10 And since the time that I commanded judges to be

over my people Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies.

Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

17:11 And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou

must go to be with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after

thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

17:12 He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne for

ever.

17:13 I will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not

take my mercy away from him, as I took it from him that was before

thee: 17:14 But I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for

ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore.

17:15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision,

so did Nathan speak unto David.

17:16 And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who

am I, O LORD God, and what is mine house, that thou hast brought me

hitherto? 17:17 And yet this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God;

for thou hast also spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to

come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high

degree, O LORD God.

17:18 What can David speak more to thee for the honour of thy servant?

for thou knowest thy servant.

17:19 O LORD, for thy servant's sake, and according to thine own

heart, hast thou done all this greatness, in making known all these

great things.

17:20 O LORD, there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside

thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

17:21 And what one nation in the earth is like thy people Israel, whom

God went to redeem to be his own people, to make thee a name of

greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before thy

people whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt? 17:22 For thy people

Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, LORD,

becamest their God.

17:23 Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken

concerning thy servant and concerning his house be established for

ever, and do as thou hast said.

17:24 Let it even be established, that thy name may be magnified for

ever, saying, The LORD of hosts is the God of Israel, even a God to

Israel: and let the house of David thy servant be established before

thee.

17:25 For thou, O my God, hast told thy servant that thou wilt build

him an house: therefore thy servant hath found in his heart to pray

before thee.

17:26 And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness

unto thy servant: 17:27 Now therefore let it please thee to bless the

house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou

blessest, O LORD, and it shall be blessed for ever.

18:1 Now after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines,

and subdued them, and took Gath and her towns out of the hand of the

Philistines.

18:2 And he smote Moab; and the Moabites became David's servants, and

brought gifts.

18:3 And David smote Hadarezer king of Zobah unto Hamath, as he went

to stablish his dominion by the river Euphrates.

18:4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and seven thousand

horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: David also houghed all the

chariot horses, but reserved of them an hundred chariots.

18:5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadarezer king of

Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

18:6 Then David put garrisons in Syriadamascus; and the Syrians became

David's servants, and brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserved David

whithersoever he went.

18:7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of

Hadarezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

18:8 Likewise from Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer,

brought David very much brass, wherewith Solomon made the brasen sea,

and the pillars, and the vessels of brass.

18:9 Now when Tou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the

host of Hadarezer king of Zobah; 18:10 He sent Hadoram his son to king

David, to enquire of his welfare, and to congratulate him, because he

had fought against Hadarezer, and smitten him; (for Hadarezer had war

with Tou;) and with him all manner of vessels of gold and silver and

brass.

18:11 Them also king David dedicated unto the LORD, with the silver

and the gold that he brought from all these nations; from Edom, and

from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines,

and from Amalek.

18:12 Moreover Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew of the Edomites in the

valley of salt eighteen thousand.

18:13 And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became

David's servants. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

18:14 So David reigned over all Israel, and executed judgment and

justice among all his people.

18:15 And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat

the son of Ahilud, recorder.

18:16 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Abimelech the son of Abiathar,

were the priests; and Shavsha was scribe; 18:17 And Benaiah the son of

Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and the sons of

David were chief about the king.

19:1 Now it came to pass after this, that Nahash the king of the

children of Ammon died, and his son reigned in his stead.

19:2 And David said, I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of

Nahash, because his father shewed kindness to me. And David sent

messengers to comfort him concerning his father. So the servants of

David came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun, to comfort

him.

19:3 But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, Thinkest

thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters

unto thee? are not his servants come unto thee for to search, and to

overthrow, and to spy out the land? 19:4 Wherefore Hanun took David's

servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments in the midst

hard by their buttocks, and sent them away.

19:5 Then there went certain, and told David how the men were served.

And he sent to meet them: for the men were greatly ashamed. And the

king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and then

return.

19:6 And when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves

odious to David, Hanun and the children of Ammon sent a thousand

talents of silver to hire them chariots and horsemen out of

Mesopotamia, and out of Syriamaachah, and out of Zobah.

19:7 So they hired thirty and two thousand chariots, and the king of

Maachah and his people; who came and pitched before Medeba. And the

children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and

came to battle.

19:8 And when David heard of it, he sent Joab, and all the host of the

mighty men.

19:9 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array

before the gate of the city: and the kings that were come were by

themselves in the field.

19:10 Now when Joab saw that the battle was set against him before and

behind, he chose out of all the choice of Israel, and put them in

array against the Syrians.

19:11 And the rest of the people he delivered unto the hand of Abishai

his brother, and they set themselves in array against the children of

Ammon.

19:12 And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou

shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee,

then I will help thee.

19:13 Be of good courage, and let us behave ourselves valiantly for

our people, and for the cities of our God: and let the LORD do that

which is good in his sight.

19:14 So Joab and the people that were with him drew nigh before the

Syrians unto the battle; and they fled before him.

19:15 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled,

they likewise fled before Abishai his brother, and entered into the

city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.

19:16 And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before

Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that were

beyond the river: and Shophach the captain of the host of Hadarezer

went before them.

19:17 And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed

over Jordan, and came upon them, and set the battle in array against

them. So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians,

they fought with him.

19:18 But the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the

Syrians seven thousand men which fought in chariots, and forty

thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host.

19:19 And when the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were put to the

worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and became his

servants: neither would the Syrians help the children of Ammon any

more.

20:1 And it came to pass, that after the year was expired, at the time

that kings go out to battle, Joab led forth the power of the army, and

wasted the country of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged

Rabbah. But David tarried at Jerusalem. And Joab smote Rabbah, and

destroyed it.

20:2 And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and

found it to weigh a talent of gold, and there were precious stones in

it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought also exceeding

much spoil out of the city.

20:3 And he brought out the people that were in it, and cut them with

saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. Even so dealt David

with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the

people returned to Jerusalem.

20:4 And it came to pass after this, that there arose war at Gezer

with the Philistines; at which time Sibbechai the Hushathite slew

Sippai, that was of the children of the giant: and they were subdued.

20:5 And there was war again with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son

of Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear

staff was like a weaver's beam.

20:6 And yet again there was war at Gath, where was a man of great

stature, whose fingers and toes were four and twenty, six on each

hand, and six on each foot and he also was the son of the giant.

20:7 But when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea David's

brother slew him.

20:8 These were born unto the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand

of David, and by the hand of his servants.

21:1 And Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number

Israel.

21:2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, Go,

number Israel from Beersheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them

to me, that I may know it.

21:3 And Joab answered, The LORD make his people an hundred times so

many more as they be: but, my lord the king, are they not all my

lord's servants? why then doth my lord require this thing? why will

he be a cause of trespass to Israel? 21:4 Nevertheless the king's

word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went

throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

21:5 And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people unto David. And

all they of Israel were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand

men that drew sword: and Judah was four hundred threescore and ten

thousand men that drew sword.

21:6 But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's

word was abominable to Joab.

21:7 And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he smote

Israel.

21:8 And David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, because I have

done this thing: but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy

servant; for I have done very foolishly.

21:9 And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying, 21:10 Go and

tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three things:

choose thee one of them, that I may do it unto thee.

21:11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD,

Choose thee 21:12 Either three years' famine; or three months to be

destroyed before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies

overtaketh thee; or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the

pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying

throughout all the coasts of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what

word I shall bring again to him that sent me.

21:13 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall now

into the hand of the LORD; for very great are his mercies: but let me

not fall into the hand of man.

21:14 So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of

Israel seventy thousand men.

21:15 And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he

was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and

said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand.

And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the

Jebusite.

21:16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD

stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his

hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders of

Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.

21:17 And David said unto God, Is it not I that commanded the people

to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed;

but as for these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray

thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on

thy people, that they should be plagued.

21:18 Then the angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that

David should go up, and set up an altar unto the LORD in the

threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.

21:19 And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spake in the

name of the LORD.

21:20 And Ornan turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with

him hid themselves. Now Ornan was threshing wheat.

21:21 And as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and went

out of the threshingfloor, and bowed himself to David with his face to

the ground.

21:22 Then David said to Ornan, Grant me the place of this

threshingfloor, that I may build an altar therein unto the LORD: thou

shalt grant it me for the full price: that the plague may be stayed

from the people.

21:23 And Ornan said unto David, Take it to thee, and let my lord the

king do that which is good in his eyes: lo, I give thee the oxen also

for burnt offerings, and the threshing instruments for wood, and the

wheat for the meat offering; I give it all.

21:24 And king David said to Ornan, Nay; but I will verily buy it for

the full price: for I will not take that which is thine for the LORD,

nor offer burnt offerings without cost.

21:25 So David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold

by weight.

21:26 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt

offerings and peace offerings, and called upon the LORD; and he

answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

21:27 And the LORD commanded the angel; and he put up his sword again

into the sheath thereof.

21:28 At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in

the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there.

21:29 For the tabernacle of the LORD, which Moses made in the

wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, were at that season

in the high place at Gibeon.

21:30 But David could not go before it to enquire of God: for he was

afraid because of the sword of the angel of the LORD.

22:1 Then David said, This is the house of the LORD God, and this is

the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.

22:2 And David commanded to gather together the strangers that were in

the land of Israel; and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build

the house of God.

22:3 And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors

of the gates, and for the joinings; and brass in abundance without

weight; 22:4 Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and they

of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

22:5 And David said, Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house

that is to be builded for the LORD must be exceeding magnifical, of

fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore now make

preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.

22:6 Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an

house for the LORD God of Israel.

22:7 And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind

to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God: 22:8 But the word

of the LORD came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and

hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name,

because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight.

22:9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest;

and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his

name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel

in his days.

22:10 He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and

I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom

over Israel for ever.

22:11 Now, my son, the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build

the house of the LORD thy God, as he hath said of thee.

22:12 Only the LORD give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee

charge concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep the law of the LORD

thy God.

22:13 Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the

statutes and judgments which the LORD charged Moses with concerning

Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.

22:14 Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the

LORD an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand

talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in

abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add

thereto.

22:15 Moreover there are workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and

workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every

manner of work.

22:16 Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, there is

no number. Arise therefore, and be doing, and the LORD be with thee.

22:17 David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon

his son, saying, 22:18 Is not the LORD your God with you? and hath he

not given you rest on every side? for he hath given the inhabitants of

the land into mine hand; and the land is subdued before the LORD, and

before his people.

22:19 Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God;

arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of the LORD God, to bring

the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the holy vessels of God, into

the house that is to be built to the name of the LORD.

23:1 So when David was old and full of days, he made Solomon his son

king over Israel.

23:2 And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the

priests and the Levites.

23:3 Now the Levites were numbered from the age of thirty years and

upward: and their number by their polls, man by man, was thirty and

eight thousand.

23:4 Of which, twenty and four thousand were to set forward the work

of the house of the LORD; and six thousand were officers and judges:

23:5 Moreover four thousand were porters; and four thousand praised

the LORD with the instruments which I made, said David, to praise

therewith.

23:6 And David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi,

namely, Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

23:7 Of the Gershonites were, Laadan, and Shimei.

23:8 The sons of Laadan; the chief was Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel,

three.

23:9 The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three.

These were the chief of the fathers of Laadan.

23:10 And the sons of Shimei were, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and

Beriah.

These four were the sons of Shimei.

23:11 And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and

Beriah had not many sons; therefore they were in one reckoning,

according to their father's house.

23:12 The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

23:13 The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated,

that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for

ever, to burn incense before the LORD, to minister unto him, and to

bless in his name for ever.

23:14 Now concerning Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the

tribe of Levi.

23:15 The sons of Moses were, Gershom, and Eliezer.

23:16 Of the sons of Gershom, Shebuel was the chief.

23:17 And the sons of Eliezer were, Rehabiah the chief. And Eliezer

had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many.

23:18 Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the chief.

23:19 Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second,

Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

23:20 Of the sons of Uzziel; Micah the first and Jesiah the second.

23:21 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli;

Eleazar, and Kish.

23:22 And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their

brethren the sons of Kish took them.

23:23 The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

23:24 These were the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers;

even the chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names

by their polls, that did the work for the service of the house of the

LORD, from the age of twenty years and upward.

23:25 For David said, The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto his

people, that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever: 23:26 And also unto

the Levites; they shall no more carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels

of it for the service thereof.

23:27 For by the last words of David the Levites were numbered from

twenty years old and above: 23:28 Because their office was to wait on

the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the LORD, in the

courts, and in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things,

and the work of the service of the house of God; 23:29 Both for the

shewbread, and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the

unleavened cakes, and for that which is baked in the pan, and for that

which is fried, and for all manner of measure and size; 23:30 And to

stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at

even: 23:31 And to offer all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD in the

sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the set feasts, by number,

according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the

LORD: 23:32 And that they should keep the charge of the tabernacle of

the congregation, and the charge of the holy place, and the charge of

the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of the

LORD.

24:1 Now these are the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of

Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

24:2 But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no

children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.

24:3 And David distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar,

and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in

their service.

24:4 And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than

of the sons of Ithamar, and thus were they divided. Among the sons of

Eleazar there were sixteen chief men of the house of their fathers,

and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their

fathers.

24:5 Thus were they divided by lot, one sort with another; for the

governors of the sanctuary, and governors of the house of God, were of

the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

24:6 And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel the scribe, one of the Levites,

wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and

Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and before the chief of the fathers of

the priests and Levites: one principal household being taken for

Eleazar, and one taken for Ithamar.

24:7 Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,

24:8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim, 24:9 The fifth to

Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin, 24:10 The seventh to Hakkoz, the

eighth to Abijah, 24:11 The ninth to Jeshuah, the tenth to Shecaniah,

24:12 The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim, 24:13 The

thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab, 24:14 The fifteenth

to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer, 24:15 The seventeenth to Hezir, the

eighteenth to Aphses, 24:16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth

to Jehezekel, 24:17 The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and

twentieth to Gamul, 24:18 The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four

and twentieth to Maaziah.

24:19 These were the orderings of them in their service to come into

the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their

father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.

24:20 And the rest of the sons of Levi were these: Of the sons of

Amram; Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.

24:21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first was

Isshiah.

24:22 Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.

24:23 And the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second,

Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.

24:24 Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.

24:25 The brother of Michah was Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah;

Zechariah.

24:26 The sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah;

Beno.

24:27 The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and

Ibri.

24:28 Of Mahli came Eleazar, who had no sons.

24:29 Concerning Kish: the son of Kish was Jerahmeel.

24:30 The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These

were the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.

24:31 These likewise cast lots over against their brethren the sons of

Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and

the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, even the

principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

25:1 Moreover David and the captains of the host separated to the

service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who

should prophesy with harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the

number of the workmen according to their service was: 25:2 Of the sons

of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of

Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied according to the

order of the king.

25:3 Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and

Jeshaiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their

father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to

praise the LORD.

25:4 Of Heman: the sons of Heman: Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel,

and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamtiezer,

Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Mahazioth: 25:5 All these were the

sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the

horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

25:6 All these were under the hands of their father for song in the

house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the

service of the house of God, according to the king's order to Asaph,

Jeduthun, and Heman.

25:7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed

in the songs of the LORD, even all that were cunning, was two hundred

fourscore and eight.

25:8 And they cast lots, ward against ward, as well the small as the

great, the teacher as the scholar.

25:9 Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to

Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons were twelve: 25:10 The third

to Zaccur, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:11 The

fourth to Izri, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:12 The

fifth to Nethaniah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:13

The sixth to Bukkiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

25:14 The seventh to Jesharelah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were

twelve: 25:15 The eighth to Jeshaiah, he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve: 25:16 The ninth to Mattaniah, he, his sons, and his

brethren, were twelve: 25:17 The tenth to Shimei, he, his sons, and

his brethren, were twelve: 25:18 The eleventh to Azareel, he, his

sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:19 The twelfth to Hashabiah,

he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:20 The thirteenth to

Shubael, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:21 The

fourteenth to Mattithiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

25:22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth, he, his sons, and his brethren, were

twelve: 25:23 The sixteenth to Hananiah, he, his sons, and his

brethren, were twelve: 25:24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, he, his

sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:25 The eighteenth to Hanani,

he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:26 The nineteenth to

Mallothi, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:27 The

twentieth to Eliathah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

25:28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, he, his sons, and his brethren,

were twelve: 25:29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, he, his sons,

and his brethren, were twelve: 25:30 The three and twentieth to

Mahazioth, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve: 25:31 The four

and twentieth to Romamtiezer, he, his sons, and his brethren, were

twelve.

26:1 Concerning the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites was

Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph.

26:2 And the sons of Meshelemiah were, Zechariah the firstborn,

Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth, 26:3 Elam

the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

26:4 Moreover the sons of Obededom were, Shemaiah the firstborn,

Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and

Nethaneel the fifth.

26:5 Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for

God blessed him.

26:6 Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout

the house of their father: for they were mighty men of valour.

26:7 The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad,

whose brethren were strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

26:8 All these of the sons of Obededom: they and their sons and their

brethren, able men for strength for the service, were threescore and

two of Obededom.

26:9 And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen.

26:10 Also Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons; Simri the

chief, (for though he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him

the chief;) 26:11 Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah

the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah were thirteen.

26:12 Among these were the divisions of the porters, even among the

chief men, having wards one against another, to minister in the house

of the LORD.

26:13 And they cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to

the house of their fathers, for every gate.

26:14 And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his

son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out

northward.

26:15 To Obededom southward; and to his sons the house of Asuppim.

26:16 To Shuppim and Hosah the lot came forth westward, with the gate

Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, ward against ward.

26:17 Eastward were six Levites, northward four a day, southward four

a day, and toward Asuppim two and two.

26:18 At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, and two at Parbar.

26:19 These are the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore,

and among the sons of Merari.

26:20 And of the Levites, Ahijah was over the treasures of the house

of God, and over the treasures of the dedicated things.

26:21 As concerning the sons of Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite

Laadan, chief fathers, even of Laadan the Gershonite, were Jehieli.

26:22 The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, which were

over the treasures of the house of the LORD.

26:23 Of the Amramites, and the Izharites, the Hebronites, and the

Uzzielites: 26:24 And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses,

was ruler of the treasures.

26:25 And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his

son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.

26:26 Which Shelomith and his brethren were over all the treasures of

the dedicated things, which David the king, and the chief fathers, the

captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host,

had dedicated.

26:27 Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain

the house of the LORD.

26:28 And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and

Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; and

whosoever had dedicated any thing, it was under the hand of Shelomith,

and of his brethren.

26:29 Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons were for the outward

business over Israel, for officers and judges.

26:30 And of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, men of

valour, a thousand and seven hundred, were officers among them of

Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the business of the LORD,

and in the service of the king.

26:31 Among the Hebronites was Jerijah the chief, even among the

Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the

fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there

were found among them mighty men of valour at Jazer of Gilead.

26:32 And his brethren, men of valour, were two thousand and seven

hundred chief fathers, whom king David made rulers over the

Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every

matter pertaining to God, and affairs of the king.

27:1 Now the children of Israel after their number, to wit, the chief

fathers and captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers

that served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and

went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of

every course were twenty and four thousand.

27:2 Over the first course for the first month was Jashobeam the son

of Zabdiel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

27:3 Of the children of Perez was the chief of all the captains of the

host for the first month.

27:4 And over the course of the second month was Dodai an Ahohite, and

of his course was Mikloth also the ruler: in his course likewise were

twenty and four thousand.

27:5 The third captain of the host for the third month was Benaiah the

son of Jehoiada, a chief priest: and in his course were twenty and

four thousand.

27:6 This is that Benaiah, who was mighty among the thirty, and above

the thirty: and in his course was Ammizabad his son.

27:7 The fourth captain for the fourth month was Asahel the brother of

Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course were twenty

and four thousand.

27:8 The fifth captain for the fifth month was Shamhuth the Izrahite:

and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

27:9 The sixth captain for the sixth month was Ira the son of Ikkesh

the Tekoite: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.

27:10 The seventh captain for the seventh month was Helez the

Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty

and four thousand.

27:11 The eighth captain for the eighth month was Sibbecai the

Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course were twenty and four

thousand.

27:12 The ninth captain for the ninth month was Abiezer the

Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course were twenty and four

thousand.

27:13 The tenth captain for the tenth month was Maharai the

Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course were twenty and four

thousand.

27:14 The eleventh captain for the eleventh month was Benaiah the

Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty

and four thousand.

27:15 The twelfth captain for the twelfth month was Heldai the

Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course were twenty and four

thousand.

27:16 Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the

Reubenites was Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites,

Shephatiah the son of Maachah: 27:17 Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son

of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok: 27:18 Of Judah, Elihu, one of the

brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael: 27:19 Of

Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of

Azriel: 27:20 Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah:

of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah: 27:21 Of the

half tribe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of

Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner: 27:22 Of Dan, Azareel the son of

Jeroham. These were the princes of the tribes of Israel.

27:23 But David took not the number of them from twenty years old and

under: because the LORD had said he would increase Israel like to the

stars of the heavens.

27:24 Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not,

because there fell wrath for it against Israel; neither was the number

put in the account of the chronicles of king David.

27:25 And over the king's treasures was Azmaveth the son of Adiel: and

over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the

villages, and in the castles, was Jehonathan the son of Uzziah: 27:26

And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground

was Ezri the son of Chelub: 27:27 And over the vineyards was Shimei

the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars

was Zabdi the Shiphmite: 27:28 And over the olive trees and the

sycomore trees that were in the low plains was Baalhanan the Gederite:

and over the cellars of oil was Joash: 27:29 And over the herds that

fed in Sharon was Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds that were

in the valleys was Shaphat the son of Adlai: 27:30 Over the camels

also was Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the asses was Jehdeiah the

Meronothite: 27:31 And over the flocks was Jaziz the Hagerite. All

these were the rulers of the substance which was king David's.

27:32 Also Jonathan David's uncle was a counsellor, a wise man, and a

scribe: and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni was with the king's sons: 27:33

And Ahithophel was the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite was

the king's companion: 27:34 And after Ahithophel was Jehoiada the son

of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the general of the king's army was Joab.

28:1 And David assembled all the princes of Israel, the princes of the

tribes, and the captains of the companies that ministered to the king

by course, and the captains over the thousands, and captains over the

hundreds, and the stewards over all the substance and possession of

the king, and of his sons, with the officers, and with the mighty men,

and with all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.

28:2 Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my

brethren, and my people: As for me, I had in mine heart to build an

house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for the

footstool of our God, and had made ready for the building: 28:3 But

God said unto me, Thou shalt not build an house for my name, because

thou hast been a man of war, and hast shed blood.

28:4 Howbeit the LORD God of Israel chose me before all the house of

my father to be king over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen Judah to

be the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and

among the sons of my father he liked me to make me king over all

Israel: 28:5 And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many

sons,) he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the

kingdom of the LORD over Israel.

28:6 And he said unto me, Solomon thy son, he shall build my house and

my courts: for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his

father.

28:7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant

to do my commandments and my judgments, as at this day.

28:8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the

LORD, and in the audience of our God, keep and seek for all the

commandments of the LORD your God: that ye may possess this good land,

and leave it for an inheritance for your children after you for ever.

28:9 And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and

serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD

searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the

thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou

forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.

28:10 Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house

for the sanctuary: be strong, and do it.

28:11 Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and

of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper

chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place

of the mercy seat, 28:12 And the pattern of all that he had by the

spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the

chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of

the treasuries of the dedicated things: 28:13 Also for the courses of

the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of

the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house

of the LORD.

28:14 He gave of gold by weight for things of gold, for all

instruments of all manner of service; silver also for all instruments

of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:

28:15 Even the weight for the candlesticks of gold, and for their

lamps of gold, by weight for every candlestick, and for the lamps

thereof: and for the candlesticks of silver by weight, both for the

candlestick, and also for the lamps thereof, according to the use of

every candlestick.

28:16 And by weight he gave gold for the tables of shewbread, for

every table; and likewise silver for the tables of silver: 28:17 Also

pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the

golden basons he gave gold by weight for every bason; and likewise

silver by weight for every bason of silver: 28:18 And for the altar of

incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the

chariot of the cherubims, that spread out their wings, and covered the

ark of the covenant of the LORD.

28:19 All this, said David, the LORD made me understand in writing by

his hand upon me, even all the works of this pattern.

28:20 And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good

courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, even

my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee,

until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of

the LORD.

28:21 And, behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites, even

they shall be with thee for all the service of the house of God: and

there shall be with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing

skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the

people will be wholly at thy commandment.

29:1 Furthermore David the king said unto all the congregation,

Solomon my son, whom alone God hath chosen, is yet young and tender,

and the work is great: for the palace is not for man, but for the LORD

God.

29:2 Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the

gold for things to be made of gold, and the silver for things of

silver, and the brass for things of brass, the iron for things of

iron, and wood for things of wood; onyx stones, and stones to be set,

glistering stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious

stones, and marble stones in abundance.

29:3 Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God,

I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given

to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for

the holy house.

29:4 Even three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and

seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the

houses withal: 29:5 The gold for things of gold, and the silver for

things of silver, and for all manner of work to be made by the hands

of artificers. And who then is willing to consecrate his service this

day unto the LORD? 29:6 Then the chief of the fathers and princes of

the tribes of Israel and the captains of thousands and of hundreds,

with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly, 29:7 And gave

for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and

ten thousand drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass

eighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

29:8 And they with whom precious stones were found gave them to the

treasure of the house of the LORD, by the hand of Jehiel the

Gershonite.

29:9 Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly,

because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD: and

David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

29:10 Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation:

and David said, Blessed be thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for

ever and ever.

29:11 Thine, O LORD is the greatness, and the power, and the glory,

and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in

the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted

as head above all.

29:12 Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all;

and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make

great, and to give strength unto all.

29:13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious

name.

29:14 But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to

offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of thee, and

of thine own have we given thee.

29:15 For we are strangers before thee, and sojourners, as were all

our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none

abiding.

29:16 O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build

thee an house for thine holy name cometh of thine hand, and is all

thine own.

29:17 I know also, my God, that thou triest the heart, and hast

pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I

have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy

thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto thee.

29:18 O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep

this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy

people, and prepare their heart unto thee: 29:19 And give unto Solomon

my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies, and

thy statutes, and to do all these things, and to build the palace, for

the which I have made provision.

29:20 And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your

God.

And all the congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and

bowed down their heads, and worshipped the LORD, and the king.

29:21 And they sacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and offered burnt

offerings unto the LORD, on the morrow after that day, even a thousand

bullocks, a thousand rams, and a thousand lambs, with their drink

offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel: 29:22 And did

eat and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And

they made Solomon the son of David king the second time, and anointed

him unto the LORD to be the chief governor, and Zadok to be priest.

29:23 Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of

David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

29:24 And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons

likewise of king David, submitted themselves unto Solomon the king.

29:25 And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all

Israel, and bestowed upon him such royal majesty as had not been on

any king before him in Israel.

29:26 Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

29:27 And the time that he reigned over Israel was forty years; seven

years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in

Jerusalem.

29:28 And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour:

and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.

29:29 Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they are

written in the book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the

prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer, 29:30 With all his reign and

his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over

all the kingdoms of the countries.

The Second Book of the Chronicles

1:1 And Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and

the LORD his God was with him, and magnified him exceedingly.

1:2 Then Solomon spake unto all Israel, to the captains of thousands

and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every governor in all

Israel, the chief of the fathers.

1:3 So Solomon, and all the congregation with him, went to the high

place that was at Gibeon; for there was the tabernacle of the

congregation of God, which Moses the servant of the LORD had made in

the wilderness.

1:4 But the ark of God had David brought up from Kirjathjearim to the

place which David had prepared for it: for he had pitched a tent for

it at Jerusalem.

1:5 Moreover the brasen altar, that Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son

of Hur, had made, he put before the tabernacle of the LORD: and

Solomon and the congregation sought unto it.

1:6 And Solomon went up thither to the brasen altar before the LORD,

which was at the tabernacle of the congregation, and offered a

thousand burnt offerings upon it.

1:7 In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask

what I shall give thee.

1:8 And Solomon said unto God, Thou hast shewed great mercy unto David

my father, and hast made me to reign in his stead.

1:9 Now, O LORD God, let thy promise unto David my father be

established: for thou hast made me king over a people like the dust of

the earth in multitude.

1:10 Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in

before this people: for who can judge this thy people, that is so

great? 1:11 And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart,

and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of

thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom

and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom

I have made thee king: 1:12 Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee;

and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of

the kings have had that have been before thee, neither shall there any

after thee have the like.

1:13 Then Solomon came from his journey to the high place that was at

Gibeon to Jerusalem, from before the tabernacle of the congregation,

and reigned over Israel.

1:14 And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand

and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, which he

placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

1:15 And the king made silver and gold at Jerusalem as plenteous as

stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that are in the

vale for abundance.

1:16 And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the

king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.

1:17 And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for

six hundred shekels of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty:

and so brought they out horses for all the kings of the Hittites, and

for the kings of Syria, by their means.

2:1 And Solomon determined to build an house for the name of the LORD,

and an house for his kingdom.

2:2 And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to bear

burdens, and fourscore thousand to hew in the mountain, and three

thousand and six hundred to oversee them.

2:3 And Solomon sent to Huram the king of Tyre, saying, As thou didst

deal with David my father, and didst send him cedars to build him an

house to dwell therein, even so deal with me.

2:4 Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to

dedicate it to him, and to burn before him sweet incense, and for the

continual shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening,

on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the

LORD our God. This is an ordinance for ever to Israel.

2:5 And the house which I build is great: for great is our God above

all gods.

2:6 But who is able to build him an house, seeing the heaven and

heaven of heavens cannot contain him? who am I then, that I should

build him an house, save only to burn sacrifice before him? 2:7 Send

me now therefore a man cunning to work in gold, and in silver, and in

brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that can

skill to grave with the cunning men that are with me in Judah and in

Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide.

2:8 Send me also cedar trees, fir trees, and algum trees, out of

Lebanon: for I know that thy servants can skill to cut timber in

Lebanon; and, behold, my servants shall be with thy servants, 2:9 Even

to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which I am about to

build shall be wonderful great.

2:10 And, behold, I will give to thy servants, the hewers that cut

timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand

measures of barley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty

thousand baths of oil.

2:11 Then Huram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to

Solomon, Because the LORD hath loved his people, he hath made thee

king over them.

2:12 Huram said moreover, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, that made

heaven and earth, who hath given to David the king a wise son, endued

with prudence and understanding, that might build an house for the

LORD, and an house for his kingdom.

2:13 And now I have sent a cunning man, endued with understanding, of

Huram my father's, 2:14 The son of a woman of the daughters of Dan,

and his father was a man of Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and in

silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in

blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of

graving, and to find out every device which shall be put to him, with

thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my lord David thy father.

2:15 Now therefore the wheat, and the barley, the oil, and the wine,

which my lord hath spoken of, let him send unto his servants: 2:16 And

we will cut wood out of Lebanon, as much as thou shalt need: and we

will bring it to thee in floats by sea to Joppa; and thou shalt carry

it up to Jerusalem.

2:17 And Solomon numbered all the strangers that were in the land of

Israel, after the numbering wherewith David his father had numbered

them; and they were found an hundred and fifty thousand and three

thousand and six hundred.

2:18 And he set threescore and ten thousand of them to be bearers of

burdens, and fourscore thousand to be hewers in the mountain, and

three thousand and six hundred overseers to set the people a work.

3:1 Then Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in

mount Moriah, where the Lord appeared unto David his father, in the

place that David had prepared in the threshingfloor of Ornan the

Jebusite.

3:2 And he began to build in the second day of the second month, in

the fourth year of his reign.

3:3 Now these are the things wherein Solomon was instructed for the

building of the house of God. The length by cubits after the first

measure was threescore cubits, and the breadth twenty cubits.

3:4 And the porch that was in the front of the house, the length of it

was according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the

height was an hundred and twenty: and he overlaid it within with pure

gold.

3:5 And the greater house he cieled with fir tree, which he overlaid

with fine gold, and set thereon palm trees and chains.

3:6 And he garnished the house with precious stones for beauty: and

the gold was gold of Parvaim.

3:7 He overlaid also the house, the beams, the posts, and the walls

thereof, and the doors thereof, with gold; and graved cherubims on the

walls.

3:8 And he made the most holy house, the length whereof was according

to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof

twenty cubits: and he overlaid it with fine gold, amounting to six

hundred talents.

3:9 And the weight of the nails was fifty shekels of gold. And he

overlaid the upper chambers with gold.

3:10 And in the most holy house he made two cherubims of image work,

and overlaid them with gold.

3:11 And the wings of the cherubims were twenty cubits long: one wing

of the one cherub was five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house:

and the other wing was likewise five cubits, reaching to the wing of

the other cherub.

3:12 And one wing of the other cherub was five cubits, reaching to the

wall of the house: and the other wing was five cubits also, joining to

the wing of the other cherub.

3:13 The wings of these cherubims spread themselves forth twenty

cubits: and they stood on their feet, and their faces were inward.

3:14 And he made the vail of blue, and purple, and crimson, and fine

linen, and wrought cherubims thereon.

3:15 Also he made before the house two pillars of thirty and five

cubits high, and the chapiter that was on the top of each of them was

five cubits.

3:16 And he made chains, as in the oracle, and put them on the heads

of the pillars; and made an hundred pomegranates, and put them on the

chains.

3:17 And he reared up the pillars before the temple, one on the right

hand, and the other on the left; and called the name of that on the

right hand Jachin, and the name of that on the left Boaz.

4:1 Moreover he made an altar of brass, twenty cubits the length

thereof, and twenty cubits the breadth thereof, and ten cubits the

height thereof.

4:2 Also he made a molten sea of ten cubits from brim to brim, round

in compass, and five cubits the height thereof; and a line of thirty

cubits did compass it round about.

4:3 And under it was the similitude of oxen, which did compass it

round about: ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about. Two rows

of oxen were cast, when it was cast.

4:4 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and

three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and

three looking toward the east: and the sea was set above upon them,

and all their hinder parts were inward.

4:5 And the thickness of it was an handbreadth, and the brim of it

like the work of the brim of a cup, with flowers of lilies; and it

received and held three thousand baths.

4:6 He made also ten lavers, and put five on the right hand, and five

on the left, to wash in them: such things as they offered for the

burnt offering they washed in them; but the sea was for the priests to

wash in.

4:7 And he made ten candlesticks of gold according to their form, and

set them in the temple, five on the right hand, and five on the left.

4:8 He made also ten tables, and placed them in the temple, five on

the right side, and five on the left. And he made an hundred basons of

gold.

4:9 Furthermore he made the court of the priests, and the great court,

and doors for the court, and overlaid the doors of them with brass.

4:10 And he set the sea on the right side of the east end, over

against the south.

4:11 And Huram made the pots, and the shovels, and the basons. And

Huram finished the work that he was to make for king Solomon for the

house of God; 4:12 To wit, the two pillars, and the pommels, and the

chapiters which were on the top of the two pillars, and the two

wreaths to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which were on the

top of the pillars; 4:13 And four hundred pomegranates on the two

wreaths; two rows of pomegranates on each wreath, to cover the two

pommels of the chapiters which were upon the pillars.

4:14 He made also bases, and lavers made he upon the bases; 4:15 One

sea, and twelve oxen under it.

4:16 The pots also, and the shovels, and the fleshhooks, and all their

instruments, did Huram his father make to king Solomon for the house

of the LORD of bright brass.

4:17 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground

between Succoth and Zeredathah.

4:18 Thus Solomon made all these vessels in great abundance: for the

weight of the brass could not be found out.

4:19 And Solomon made all the vessels that were for the house of God,

the golden altar also, and the tables whereon the shewbread was set;

4:20 Moreover the candlesticks with their lamps, that they should burn

after the manner before the oracle, of pure gold; 4:21 And the

flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs, made he of gold, and that

perfect gold; 4:22 And the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons,

and the censers, of pure gold: and the entry of the house, the inner

doors thereof for the most holy place, and the doors of the house of

the temple, were of gold.

5:1 Thus all the work that Solomon made for the house of the LORD was

finished: and Solomon brought in all the things that David his father

had dedicated; and the silver, and the gold, and all the instruments,

put he among the treasures of the house of God.

5:2 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of

the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto

Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the

city of David, which is Zion.

5:3 Wherefore all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto the king

in the feast which was in the seventh month.

5:4 And all the elders of Israel came; and the Levites took up the

ark.

5:5 And they brought up the ark, and the tabernacle of the

congregation, and all the holy vessels that were in the tabernacle,

these did the priests and the Levites bring up.

5:6 Also king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel that were

assembled unto him before the ark, sacrificed sheep and oxen, which

could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

5:7 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD

unto his place, to the oracle of the house, into the most holy place,

even under the wings of the cherubims: 5:8 For the cherubims spread

forth their wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered

the ark and the staves thereof above.

5:9 And they drew out the staves of the ark, that the ends of the

staves were seen from the ark before the oracle; but they were not

seen without. And there it is unto this day.

5:10 There was nothing in the ark save the two tables which Moses put

therein at Horeb, when the LORD made a covenant with the children of

Israel, when they came out of Egypt.

5:11 And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy

place: (for all the priests that were present were sanctified, and did

not then wait by course: 5:12 Also the Levites which were the singers,

all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their

brethren, being arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries

and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, and with them an

hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets:) 5:13 It came even

to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound

to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up

their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick,

and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth

for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house

of the LORD; 5:14 So that the priests could not stand to minister by

reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of

God.

6:1 Then said Solomon, The LORD hath said that he would dwell in the

thick darkness.

6:2 But I have built an house of habitation for thee, and a place for

thy dwelling for ever.

6:3 And the king turned his face, and blessed the whole congregation

of Israel: and all the congregation of Israel stood.

6:4 And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his

hands fulfilled that which he spake with his mouth to my father David,

saying, 6:5 Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the

land of Egypt I chose no city among all the tribes of Israel to build

an house in, that my name might be there; neither chose I any man to

be a ruler over my people Israel: 6:6 But I have chosen Jerusalem,

that my name might be there; and have chosen David to be over my

people Israel.

6:7 Now it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for

the name of the LORD God of Israel.

6:8 But the LORD said to David my father, Forasmuch as it was in thine

heart to build an house for my name, thou didst well in that it was in

thine heart: 6:9 Notwithstanding thou shalt not build the house; but

thy son which shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the

house for my name.

6:10 The LORD therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken:

for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and am set on the

throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built the house for

the name of the LORD God of Israel.

6:11 And in it have I put the ark, wherein is the covenant of the

LORD, that he made with the children of Israel.

6:12 And he stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all

the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands: 6:13 For

Solomon had made a brasen scaffold of five cubits long, and five

cubits broad, and three cubits high, and had set it in the midst of

the court: and upon it he stood, and kneeled down upon his knees

before all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands

toward heaven.

6:14 And said, O LORD God of Israel, there is no God like thee in the

heaven, nor in the earth; which keepest covenant, and shewest mercy

unto thy servants, that walk before thee with all their hearts: 6:15

Thou which hast kept with thy servant David my father that which thou

hast promised him; and spakest with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it

with thine hand, as it is this day.

6:16 Now therefore, O LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David

my father that which thou hast promised him, saying, There shall not

fail thee a man in my sight to sit upon the throne of Israel; yet so

that thy children take heed to their way to walk in my law, as thou

hast walked before me.

6:17 Now then, O LORD God of Israel, let thy word be verified, which

thou hast spoken unto thy servant David.

6:18 But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? behold,

heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less

this house which I have built! 6:19 Have respect therefore to the

prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to

hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before

thee: 6:20 That thine eyes may be open upon this house day and night,

upon the place whereof thou hast said that thou wouldest put thy name

there; to hearken unto the prayer which thy servant prayeth toward

this place.

6:21 Hearken therefore unto the supplications of thy servant, and of

thy people Israel, which they shall make toward this place: hear thou

from thy dwelling place, even from heaven; and when thou hearest,

forgive.

6:22 If a man sin against his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him

to make him swear, and the oath come before thine altar in this house;

6:23 Then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, by

requiting the wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and

by justifying the righteous, by giving him according to his

righteousness.

6:24 And if thy people Israel be put to the worse before the enemy,

because they have sinned against thee; and shall return and confess

thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee in this house;

6:25 Then hear thou from the heavens, and forgive the sin of thy

people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest to

them and to their fathers.

6:26 When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they

have sinned against thee; yet if they pray toward this place, and

confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou dost afflict

them; 6:27 Then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy

servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the

good way, wherein they should walk; and send rain upon thy land, which

thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.

6:28 If there be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there

be blasting, or mildew, locusts, or caterpillers; if their enemies

besiege them in the cities of their land; whatsoever sore or

whatsoever sickness there be: 6:29 Then what prayer or what

supplication soever shall be made of any man, or of all thy people

Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and

shall spread forth his hands in this house: 6:30 Then hear thou from

heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and render unto every man

according unto all his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou only

knowest the hearts of the children of men:) 6:31 That they may fear

thee, to walk in thy ways, so long as they live in the land which thou

gavest unto our fathers.

6:32 Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people

Israel, but is come from a far country for thy great name's sake, and

thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm; if they come and pray in

this house; 6:33 Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy

dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to

thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear

thee, as doth thy people Israel, and may know that this house which I

have built is called by thy name.

6:34 If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that

thou shalt send them, and they pray unto thee toward this city which

thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name; 6:35

Then hear thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication,

and maintain their cause.

6:36 If they sin against thee, (for there is no man which sinneth

not,) and thou be angry with them, and deliver them over before their

enemies, and they carry them away captives unto a land far off or

near; 6:37 Yet if they bethink themselves in the land whither they are

carried captive, and turn and pray unto thee in the land of their

captivity, saying, We have sinned, we have done amiss, and have dealt

wickedly; 6:38 If they return to thee with all their heart and with

all their soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have

carried them captives, and pray toward their land, which thou gavest

unto their fathers, and toward the city which thou hast chosen, and

toward the house which I have built for thy name: 6:39 Then hear thou

from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place, their prayer and their

supplications, and maintain their cause, and forgive thy people which

have sinned against thee.

6:40 Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and let

thine ears be attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

6:41 Now therefore arise, O LORD God, into thy resting place, thou,

and the ark of thy strength: let thy priests, O LORD God, be clothed

with salvation, and let thy saints rejoice in goodness.

6:42 O LORD God, turn not away the face of thine anointed: remember

the mercies of David thy servant.

7:1 Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down

from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and

the glory of the LORD filled the house.

7:2 And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD,

because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD's house.

7:3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down,

and the glory of the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with

their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and

praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for

ever.

7:4 Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the

LORD.

7:5 And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand

oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all

the people dedicated the house of God.

7:6 And the priests waited on their offices: the Levites also with

instruments of musick of the LORD, which David the king had made to

praise the LORD, because his mercy endureth for ever, when David

praised by their ministry; and the priests sounded trumpets before

them, and all Israel stood.

7:7 Moreover Solomon hallowed the middle of the court that was before

the house of the LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings, and the

fat of the peace offerings, because the brasen altar which Solomon had

made was not able to receive the burnt offerings, and the meat

offerings, and the fat.

7:8 Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all

Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of

Hamath unto the river of Egypt.

7:9 And in the eighth day they made a solemn assembly: for they kept

the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

7:10 And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent

the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the

goodness that the LORD had shewed unto David, and to Solomon, and to

Israel his people.

7:11 Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD, and the king's

house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of

the LORD, and in his own house, he prosperously effected.

7:12 And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I

have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an

house of sacrifice.

7:13 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the

locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people;

7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble

themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked

ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and

will heal their land.

7:15 Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer

that is made in this place.

7:16 For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may

be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there

perpetually.

7:17 And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father

walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt

observe my statutes and my judgments; 7:18 Then will I stablish the

throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy

father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man to be ruler in Israel.

7:19 But if ye turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments,

which I have set before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and

worship them; 7:20 Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my

land which I have given them; and this house, which I have sanctified

for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it to be a

proverb and a byword among all nations.

7:21 And this house, which is high, shall be an astonishment to every

one that passeth by it; so that he shall say, Why hath the LORD done

thus unto this land, and unto this house? 7:22 And it shall be

answered, Because they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which

brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other

gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath he brought

all this evil upon them.

8:1 And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, wherein Solomon

had built the house of the LORD, and his own house, 8:2 That the

cities which Huram had restored to Solomon, Solomon built them, and

caused the children of Israel to dwell there.

8:3 And Solomon went to Hamathzobah, and prevailed against it.

8:4 And he built Tadmor in the wilderness, and all the store cities,

which he built in Hamath.

8:5 Also he built Bethhoron the upper, and Bethhoron the nether,

fenced cities, with walls, gates, and bars; 8:6 And Baalath, and all

the store cities that Solomon had, and all the chariot cities, and the

cities of the horsemen, and all that Solomon desired to build in

Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and throughout all the land of his

dominion.

8:7 As for all the people that were left of the Hittites, and the

Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites,

which were not of Israel, 8:8 But of their children, who were left

after them in the land, whom the children of Israel consumed not, them

did Solomon make to pay tribute until this day.

8:9 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no servants for his

work; but they were men of war, and chief of his captains, and

captains of his chariots and horsemen.

8:10 And these were the chief of king Solomon's officers, even two

hundred and fifty, that bare rule over the people.

8:11 And Solomon brought up the daughter of Pharaoh out of the city of

David unto the house that he had built for her: for he said, My wife

shall not dwell in the house of David king of Israel, because the

places are holy, whereunto the ark of the LORD hath come.

8:12 Then Solomon offered burnt offerings unto the LORD on the altar

of the LORD, which he had built before the porch, 8:13 Even after a

certain rate every day, offering according to the commandment of

Moses, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn

feasts, three times in the year, even in the feast of unleavened

bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles.

8:14 And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the

courses of the priests to their service, and the Levites to their

charges, to praise and minister before the priests, as the duty of

every day required: the porters also by their courses at every gate:

for so had David the man of God commanded.

8:15 And they departed not from the commandment of the king unto the

priests and Levites concerning any matter, or concerning the

treasures.

8:16 Now all the work of Solomon was prepared unto the day of the

foundation of the house of the LORD, and until it was finished. So the

house of the LORD was perfected.

8:17 Then went Solomon to Eziongeber, and to Eloth, at the sea side in

the land of Edom.

8:18 And Huram sent him by the hands of his servants ships, and

servants that had knowledge of the sea; and they went with the

servants of Solomon to Ophir, and took thence four hundred and fifty

talents of gold, and brought them to king Solomon.

9:1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came

to prove Solomon with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great

company, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and

precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with

him of all that was in her heart.

9:2 And Solomon told her all her questions: and there was nothing hid

from Solomon which he told her not.

9:3 And when the queen of Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon, and

the house that he had built, 9:4 And the meat of his table, and the

sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and

their apparel; his cupbearers also, and their apparel; and his ascent

by which he went up into the house of the LORD; there was no more

spirit in her.

9:5 And she said to the king, It was a true report which I heard in

mine own land of thine acts, and of thy wisdom: 9:6 Howbeit I believed

not their words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen it: and, behold,

the one half of the greatness of thy wisdom was not told me: for thou

exceedest the fame that I heard.

9:7 Happy are thy men, and happy are these thy servants, which stand

continually before thee, and hear thy wisdom.

9:8 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee to set thee

on his throne, to be king for the LORD thy God: because thy God loved

Israel, to establish them for ever, therefore made he thee king over

them, to do judgment and justice.

9:9 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and

of spices great abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any

such spice as the queen of Sheba gave king Solomon.

9:10 And the servants also of Huram, and the servants of Solomon,

which brought gold from Ophir, brought algum trees and precious

stones.

9:11 And the king made of the algum trees terraces to the house of the

LORD, and to the king's palace, and harps and psalteries for singers:

and there were none such seen before in the land of Judah.

9:12 And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire,

whatsoever she asked, beside that which she had brought unto the king.

So she turned, and went away to her own land, she and her servants.

9:13 Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six

hundred and threescore and six talents of gold; 9:14 Beside that which

chapmen and merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and

governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon.

9:15 And king Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold: six

hundred shekels of beaten gold went to one target.

9:16 And three hundred shields made he of beaten gold: three hundred

shekels of gold went to one shield. And the king put them in the house

of the forest of Lebanon.

9:17 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it

with pure gold.

9:18 And there were six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold,

which were fastened to the throne, and stays on each side of the

sitting place, and two lions standing by the stays: 9:19 And twelve

lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps.

There was not the like made in any kingdom.

9:20 And all the drinking vessels of king Solomon were of gold, and

all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure

gold: none were of silver; it was not any thing accounted of in the

days of Solomon.

9:21 For the king's ships went to Tarshish with the servants of Huram:

every three years once came the ships of Tarshish bringing gold, and

silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

9:22 And king Solomon passed all the kings of the earth in riches and

wisdom.

9:23 And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to

hear his wisdom, that God had put in his heart.

9:24 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and

vessels of gold, and raiment, harness, and spices, horses, and mules,

a rate year by year.

9:25 And Solomon had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and

twelve thousand horsemen; whom he bestowed in the chariot cities, and

with the king at Jerusalem.

9:26 And he reigned over all the kings from the river even unto the

land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt.

9:27 And the king made silver in Jerusalem as stones, and cedar trees

made he as the sycomore trees that are in the low plains in abundance.

9:28 And they brought unto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all

lands.

9:29 Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, are they not

written in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of

Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo the seer against

Jeroboam the son of Nebat? 9:30 And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over

all Israel forty years.

9:31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city

of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

10:1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for to Shechem were all Israel come

to make him king.

10:2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was in

Egypt, whither he fled from the presence of Solomon the king, heard

it, that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt.

10:3 And they sent and called him. So Jeroboam and all Israel came and

spake to Rehoboam, saying, 10:4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now

therefore ease thou somewhat the grievous servitude of thy father, and

his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve thee.

10:5 And he said unto them, Come again unto me after three days. And

the people departed.

10:6 And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men that had stood

before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, What counsel

give ye me to return answer to this people? 10:7 And they spake unto

him, saying, If thou be kind to this people, and please them, and

speak good words to them, they will be thy servants for ever.

10:8 But he forsook the counsel which the old men gave him, and took

counsel with the young men that were brought up with him, that stood

before him.

10:9 And he said unto them, What advice give ye that we may return

answer to this people, which have spoken to me, saying, Ease somewhat

the yoke that thy father did put upon us? 10:10 And the young men

that were brought up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou

answer the people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our

yoke heavy, but make thou it somewhat lighter for us; thus shalt thou

say unto them, My little finger shall be thicker than my father's

loins.

10:11 For whereas my father put a heavy yoke upon you, I will put more

to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise

you with scorpions.

10:12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third

day, as the king bade, saying, Come again to me on the third day.

10:13 And the king answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook

the counsel of the old men, 10:14 And answered them after the advice

of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will

add thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise

you with scorpions.

10:15 So the king hearkened not unto the people: for the cause was of

God, that the LORD might perform his word, which he spake by the hand

of Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat.

10:16 And when all Israel saw that the king would not hearken unto

them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in

David? and we have none inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to

your tents, O Israel: and now, David, see to thine own house. So all

Israel went to their tents.

10:17 But as for the children of Israel that dwelt in the cities of

Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

10:18 Then king Rehoboam sent Hadoram that was over the tribute; and

the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. But king

Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to

Jerusalem.

10:19 And Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

11:1 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he gathered of the house

of Judah and Benjamin an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men,

which were warriors, to fight against Israel, that he might bring the

kingdom again to Rehoboam.

11:2 But the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,

11:3 Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and to all

Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saying, 11:4 Thus saith the LORD, Ye

shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren: return every man to

his house: for this thing is done of me. And they obeyed the words of

the LORD, and returned from going against Jeroboam.

11:5 And Rehoboam dwelt in Jerusalem, and built cities for defence in

Judah.

11:6 He built even Bethlehem, and Etam, and Tekoa, 11:7 And Bethzur,

and Shoco, and Adullam, 11:8 And Gath, and Mareshah, and Ziph, 11:9

And Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah, 11:10 And Zorah, and Aijalon,

and Hebron, which are in Judah and in Benjamin fenced cities.

11:11 And he fortified the strong holds, and put captains in them, and

store of victual, and of oil and wine.

11:12 And in every several city he put shields and spears, and made

them exceeding strong, having Judah and Benjamin on his side.

11:13 And the priests and the Levites that were in all Israel resorted

to him out of all their coasts.

11:14 For the Levites left their suburbs and their possession, and

came to Judah and Jerusalem: for Jeroboam and his sons had cast them

off from executing the priest's office unto the LORD: 11:15 And he

ordained him priests for the high places, and for the devils, and for

the calves which he had made.

11:16 And after them out of all the tribes of Israel such as set their

hearts to seek the LORD God of Israel came to Jerusalem, to sacrifice

unto the LORD God of their fathers.

11:17 So they strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam the

son of Solomon strong, three years: for three years they walked in the

way of David and Solomon.

11:18 And Rehoboam took him Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son

of David to wife, and Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse;

11:19 Which bare him children; Jeush, and Shamariah, and Zaham.

11:20 And after her he took Maachah the daughter of Absalom; which

bare him Abijah, and Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.

11:21 And Rehoboam loved Maachah the daughter of Absalom above all his

wives and his concubines: (for he took eighteen wives, and threescore

concubines; and begat twenty and eight sons, and threescore

daughters.) 11:22 And Rehoboam made Abijah the son of Maachah the

chief, to be ruler among his brethren: for he thought to make him

king.

11:23 And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his children

throughout all the countries of Judah and Benjamin, unto every fenced

city: and he gave them victual in abundance. And he desired many

wives.

12:1 And it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom,

and had strengthened himself, he forsook the law of the LORD, and all

Israel with him.

12:2 And it came to pass, that in the fifth year of king Rehoboam

Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, because they had

transgressed against the LORD, 12:3 With twelve hundred chariots, and

threescore thousand horsemen: and the people were without number that

came with him out of Egypt; the Lubims, the Sukkiims, and the

Ethiopians.

12:4 And he took the fenced cities which pertained to Judah, and came

to Jerusalem.

12:5 Then came Shemaiah the prophet to Rehoboam, and to the princes of

Judah, that were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak,

and said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Ye have forsaken me, and

therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak.

12:6 Whereupon the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves;

and they said, The LORD is righteous.

12:7 And when the LORD saw that they humbled themselves, the word of

the LORD came to Shemaiah, saying, They have humbled themselves;

therefore I will not destroy them, but I will grant them some

deliverance; and my wrath shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem by

the hand of Shishak.

12:8 Nevertheless they shall be his servants; that they may know my

service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries.

12:9 So Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, and took away

the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the

king's house; he took all: he carried away also the shields of gold

which Solomon had made.

12:10 Instead of which king Rehoboam made shields of brass, and

committed them to the hands of the chief of the guard, that kept the

entrance of the king's house.

12:11 And when the king entered into the house of the LORD, the guard

came and fetched them, and brought them again into the guard chamber.

12:12 And when he humbled himself, the wrath of the LORD turned from

him, that he would not destroy him altogether: and also in Judah

things went well.

12:13 So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned:

for Rehoboam was one and forty years old when he began to reign, and

he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD had

chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his

mother's name was Naamah an Ammonitess.

12:14 And he did evil, because he prepared not his heart to seek the

LORD.

12:15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, are they not written

in the book of Shemaiah the prophet, and of Iddo the seer concerning

genealogies? And there were wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam

continually.

12:16 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city

of David: and Abijah his son reigned in his stead.

13:1 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign

over Judah.

13:2 He reigned three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was

Michaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. And there was war between

Abijah and Jeroboam.

13:3 And Abijah set the battle in array with an army of valiant men of

war, even four hundred thousand chosen men: Jeroboam also set the

battle in array against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men,

being mighty men of valour.

13:4 And Abijah stood up upon mount Zemaraim, which is in mount

Ephraim, and said, Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel; 13:5 Ought

ye not to know that the LORD God of Israel gave the kingdom over

Israel to David for ever, even to him and to his sons by a covenant of

salt? 13:6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the

son of David, is risen up, and hath rebelled against his lord.

13:7 And there are gathered unto him vain men, the children of Belial,

and have strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon,

when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand

them.

13:8 And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand

of the sons of David; and ye be a great multitude, and there are with

your golden calves, which Jeroboam made you for gods.

13:9 Have ye not cast out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron,

and the Levites, and have made you priests after the manner of the

nations of other lands? so that whosoever cometh to consecrate himself

with a young bullock and seven rams, the same may be a priest of them

that are no gods.

13:10 But as for us, the LORD is our God, and we have not forsaken

him; and the priests, which minister unto the LORD, are the sons of

Aaron, and the Levites wait upon their business: 13:11 And they burn

unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and

sweet incense: the shewbread also set they in order upon the pure

table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, to burn

every evening: for we keep the charge of the LORD our God; but ye have

forsaken him.

13:12 And, behold, God himself is with us for our captain, and his

priests with sounding trumpets to cry alarm against you. O children of

Israel, fight ye not against the LORD God of your fathers; for ye

shall not prosper.

13:13 But Jeroboam caused an ambushment to come about behind them: so

they were before Judah, and the ambushment was behind them.

13:14 And when Judah looked back, behold, the battle was before and

behind: and they cried unto the LORD, and the priests sounded with the

trumpets.

13:15 Then the men of Judah gave a shout: and as the men of Judah

shouted, it came to pass, that God smote Jeroboam and all Israel

before Abijah and Judah.

13:16 And the children of Israel fled before Judah: and God delivered

them into their hand.

13:17 And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter: so

there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.

13:18 Thus the children of Israel were brought under at that time, and

the children of Judah prevailed, because they relied upon the LORD God

of their fathers.

13:19 And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him,

Bethel with the towns thereof, and Jeshanah with the towns thereof,

and Ephraim with the towns thereof.

13:20 Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of

Abijah: and the LORD struck him, and he died.

13:21 But Abijah waxed mighty, and married fourteen wives, and begat

twenty and two sons, and sixteen daughters.

13:22 And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his

sayings, are written in the story of the prophet Iddo.

14:1 So Abijah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city

of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead. In his days the land

was quiet ten years.

14:2 And Asa did that which was good and right in the eyes of the LORD

his God: 14:3 For he took away the altars of the strange gods, and the

high places, and brake down the images, and cut down the groves: 14:4

And commanded Judah to seek the LORD God of their fathers, and to do

the law and the commandment.

14:5 Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places

and the images: and the kingdom was quiet before him.

14:6 And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the land had rest, and

he had no war in those years; because the LORD had given him rest.

14:7 Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make

about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars, while the land is yet

before us; because we have sought the LORD our God, we have sought

him, and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and

prospered.

14:8 And Asa had an army of men that bare targets and spears, out of

Judah three hundred thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields

and drew bows, two hundred and fourscore thousand: all these were

mighty men of valour.

14:9 And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host

of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots; and came unto

Mareshah.

14:10 Then Asa went out against him, and they set the battle in array

in the valley of Zephathah at Mareshah.

14:11 And Asa cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD, it is

nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have

no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy

name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou art our God; let no

man prevail against thee.

14:12 So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah;

and the Ethiopians fled.

14:13 And Asa and the people that were with him pursued them unto

Gerar: and the Ethiopians were overthrown, that they could not recover

themselves; for they were destroyed before the LORD, and before his

host; and they carried away very much spoil.

14:14 And they smote all the cities round about Gerar; for the fear of

the LORD came upon them: and they spoiled all the cities; for there

was exceeding much spoil in them.

14:15 They smote also the tents of cattle, and carried away sheep and

camels in abundance, and returned to Jerusalem.

15:1 And the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded: 15:2 And

he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all

Judah and Benjamin; The LORD is with you, while ye be with him; and if

ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will

forsake you.

15:3 Now for a long season Israel hath been without the true God, and

without a teaching priest, and without law.

15:4 But when they in their trouble did turn unto the LORD God of

Israel, and sought him, he was found of them.

15:5 And in those times there was no peace to him that went out, nor

to him that came in, but great vexations were upon all the inhabitants

of the countries.

15:6 And nation was destroyed of nation, and city of city: for God did

vex them with all adversity.

15:7 Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your

work shall be rewarded.

15:8 And when Asa heard these words, and the prophecy of Oded the

prophet, he took courage, and put away the abominable idols out of all

the land of Judah and Benjamin, and out of the cities which he had

taken from mount Ephraim, and renewed the altar of the LORD, that was

before the porch of the LORD.

15:9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and the strangers with

them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to

him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that the LORD his God

was with him.

15:10 So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third

month, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa.

15:11 And they offered unto the LORD the same time, of the spoil which

they had brought, seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep.

15:12 And they entered into a covenant to seek the LORD God of their

fathers with all their heart and with all their soul; 15:13 That

whosoever would not seek the LORD God of Israel should be put to

death, whether small or great, whether man or woman.

15:14 And they sware unto the LORD with a loud voice, and with

shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets.

15:15 And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all

their heart, and sought him with their whole desire; and he was found

of them: and the LORD gave them rest round about.

15:16 And also concerning Maachah the mother of Asa the king, he

removed her from being queen, because she had made an idol in a grove:

and Asa cut down her idol, and stamped it, and burnt it at the brook

Kidron.

15:17 But the high places were not taken away out of Israel:

nevertheless the heart of Asa was perfect all his days.

15:18 And he brought into the house of God the things that his father

had dedicated, and that he himself had dedicated, silver, and gold,

and vessels.

15:19 And there was no more war unto the five and thirtieth year of

the reign of Asa.

16:1 In the six and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa Baasha king of

Israel came up against Judah, and built Ramah, to the intent that he

might let none go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.

16:2 Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the treasures of the

house of the LORD and of the king's house, and sent to Benhadad king

of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying, 16:3 There is a league

between me and thee, as there was between my father and thy father:

behold, I have sent thee silver and gold; go, break thy league with

Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me.

16:4 And Benhadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of

his armies against the cities of Israel; and they smote Ijon, and Dan,

and Abelmaim, and all the store cities of Naphtali.

16:5 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard it, that he left off

building of Ramah, and let his work cease.

16:6 Then Asa the king took all Judah; and they carried away the

stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha was

building; and he built therewith Geba and Mizpah.

16:7 And at that time Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah, and

said unto him, Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not

relied on the LORD thy God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria

escaped out of thine hand.

16:8 Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubims a huge host, with very

many chariots and horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on the LORD,

he delivered them into thine hand.

16:9 For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole

earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is

perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from

henceforth thou shalt have wars.

16:10 Then Asa was wroth with the seer, and put him in a prison house;

for he was in a rage with him because of this thing. And Asa oppressed

some of the people the same time.

16:11 And, behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they are

written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

16:12 And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased

in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease

he sought not to the LORD, but to the physicians.

16:13 And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth

year of his reign.

16:14 And they buried him in his own sepulchres, which he had made for

himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled

with sweet odours and divers kinds of spices prepared by the

apothecaries' art: and they made a very great burning for him.

17:1 And Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and strengthened

himself against Israel.

17:2 And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Judah, and set

garrisons in the land of Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which

Asa his father had taken.

17:3 And the LORD was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first

ways of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim; 17:4 But sought

to the Lord God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not

after the doings of Israel.

17:5 Therefore the LORD stablished the kingdom in his hand; and all

Judah brought to Jehoshaphat presents; and he had riches and honour in

abundance.

17:6 And his heart was lifted up in the ways of the LORD: moreover he

took away the high places and groves out of Judah.

17:7 Also in the third year of his reign he sent to his princes, even

to Benhail, and to Obadiah, and to Zechariah, and to Nethaneel, and to

Michaiah, to teach in the cities of Judah.

17:8 And with them he sent Levites, even Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and

Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan, and Adonijah,

and Tobijah, and Tobadonijah, Levites; and with them Elishama and

Jehoram, priests.

17:9 And they taught in Judah, and had the book of the law of the LORD

with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and

taught the people.

17:10 And the fear of the LORD fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands

that were round about Judah, so that they made no war against

Jehoshaphat.

17:11 Also some of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and

tribute silver; and the Arabians brought him flocks, seven thousand

and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.

17:12 And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly; and he built in Judah

castles, and cities of store.

17:13 And he had much business in the cities of Judah: and the men of

war, mighty men of valour, were in Jerusalem.

17:14 And these are the numbers of them according to the house of

their fathers: Of Judah, the captains of thousands; Adnah the chief,

and with him mighty men of valour three hundred thousand.

17:15 And next to him was Jehohanan the captain, and with him two

hundred and fourscore thousand.

17:16 And next him was Amasiah the son of Zichri, who willingly

offered himself unto the LORD; and with him two hundred thousand

mighty men of valour.

17:17 And of Benjamin; Eliada a mighty man of valour, and with him

armed men with bow and shield two hundred thousand.

17:18 And next him was Jehozabad, and with him an hundred and

fourscore thousand ready prepared for the war.

17:19 These waited on the king, beside those whom the king put in the

fenced cities throughout all Judah.

18:1 Now Jehoshaphat had riches and honour in abundance, and joined

affinity with Ahab.

18:2 And after certain years he went down to Ahab to Samaria. And Ahab

killed sheep and oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that he

had with him, and persuaded him to go up with him to Ramothgilead.

18:3 And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, Wilt

thou go with me to Ramothgilead? And he answered him, I am as thou

art, and my people as thy people; and we will be with thee in the war.

18:4 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray

thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

18:5 Therefore the king of Israel gathered together of prophets four

hundred men, and said unto them, Shall we go to Ramothgilead to

battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up; for God will deliver

it into the king's hand.

18:6 But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of the LORD

besides, that we might enquire of him? 18:7 And the king of Israel

said unto Jehoshaphat, There is yet one man, by whom we may enquire of

the LORD: but I hate him; for he never prophesied good unto me, but

always evil: the same is Micaiah the son of Imla. And Jehoshaphat

said, Let not the king say so.

18:8 And the king of Israel called for one of his officers, and said,

Fetch quickly Micaiah the son of Imla.

18:9 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of Judah sat either

of them on his throne, clothed in their robes, and they sat in a void

place at the entering in of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets

prophesied before them.

18:10 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah had made him horns of iron,

and said, Thus saith the LORD, With these thou shalt push Syria until

they be consumed.

18:11 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to

Ramothgilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into the hand

of the king.

18:12 And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spake to him,

saying, Behold, the words of the prophets declare good to the king

with one assent; let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like one of

their's, and speak thou good.

18:13 And Micaiah said, As the LORD liveth, even what my God saith,

that will I speak.

18:14 And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him,

Micaiah, shall we go to Ramothgilead to battle, or shall I forbear?

And he said, Go ye up, and prosper, and they shall be delivered into

your hand.

18:15 And the king said to him, How many times shall I adjure thee

that thou say nothing but the truth to me in the name of the LORD?

18:16 Then he said, I did see all Israel scattered upon the mountains,

as sheep that have no shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no

master; let them return therefore every man to his house in peace.

18:17 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee

that he would not prophesy good unto me, but evil? 18:18 Again he

said, Therefore hear the word of the LORD; I saw the LORD sitting upon

his throne, and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and

on his left.

18:19 And the LORD said, Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he

may go up and fall at Ramothgilead? And one spake saying after this

manner, and another saying after that manner.

18:20 Then there came out a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and

said, I will entice him. And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? 18:21

And he said, I will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all

his prophets. And the Lord said, Thou shalt entice him, and thou shalt

also prevail: go out, and do even so.

18:22 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the

mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against

thee.

18:23 Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah

upon the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from

me to speak unto thee? 18:24 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see

on that day when thou shalt go into an inner chamber to hide thyself.

18:25 Then the king of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him

back to Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

18:26 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this fellow in the prison, and

feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until

I return in peace.

18:27 And Micaiah said, If thou certainly return in peace, then hath

not the LORD spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, all ye people.

18:28 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up

to Ramothgilead.

18:29 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise

myself, and I will go to the battle; but put thou on thy robes. So the

king of Israel disguised himself; and they went to the battle.

18:30 Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots

that were with him, saying, Fight ye not with small or great, save

only with the king of Israel.

18:31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw

Jehoshaphat, that they said, It is the king of Israel. Therefore they

compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and the LORD

helped him; and God moved them to depart from him.

18:32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots

perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again

from pursuing him.

18:33 And a certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of

Israel between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his

chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the

host; for I am wounded.

18:34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel

stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even:

and about the time of the sun going down he died.

19:1 And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace

to Jerusalem.

19:2 And Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and

said to king Jehoshaphat, Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love

them that hate the LORD? therefore is wrath upon thee from before the

LORD.

19:3 Nevertheless there are good things found in thee, in that thou

hast taken away the groves out of the land, and hast prepared thine

heart to seek God.

19:4 And Jehoshaphat dwelt at Jerusalem: and he went out again through

the people from Beersheba to mount Ephraim, and brought them back unto

the LORD God of their fathers.

19:5 And he set judges in the land throughout all the fenced cities of

Judah, city by city, 19:6 And said to the judges, Take heed what ye

do: for ye judge not for man, but for the LORD, who is with you in the

judgment.

19:7 Wherefore now let the fear of the LORD be upon you; take heed and

do it: for there is no iniquity with the LORD our God, nor respect of

persons, nor taking of gifts.

19:8 Moreover in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat set of the Levites, and of

the priests, and of the chief of the fathers of Israel, for the

judgment of the LORD, and for controversies, when they returned to

Jerusalem.

19:9 And he charged them, saying, Thus shall ye do in the fear of the

LORD, faithfully, and with a perfect heart.

19:10 And what cause soever shall come to you of your brethren that

dwell in your cities, between blood and blood, between law and

commandment, statutes and judgments, ye shall even warn them that they

trespass not against the LORD, and so wrath come upon you, and upon

your brethren: this do, and ye shall not trespass.

19:11 And, behold, Amariah the chief priest is over you in all matters

of the LORD; and Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house

of Judah, for all the king's matters: also the Levites shall be

officers before you. Deal courageously, and the LORD shall be with the

good.

20:1 It came to pass after this also, that the children of Moab, and

the children of Ammon, and with them other beside the Ammonites, came

against Jehoshaphat to battle.

20:2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh

a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria;

and, behold, they be in Hazazontamar, which is Engedi.

20:3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and

proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.

20:4 And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask help of the LORD:

even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD.

20:5 And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem,

in the house of the LORD, before the new court, 20:6 And said, O LORD

God of our fathers, art not thou God in heaven? and rulest not thou

over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand is there not

power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee? 20:7 Art not

thou our God, who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before

thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for

ever? 20:8 And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary

therein for thy name, saying, 20:9 If, when evil cometh upon us, as

the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this

house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house,) and cry

unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.

20:10 And now, behold, the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir,

whom thou wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the

land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not;

20:11 Behold, I say, how they reward us, to come to cast us out of thy

possession, which thou hast given us to inherit.

20:12 O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might

against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we

what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.

20:13 And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones,

their wives, and their children.

20:14 Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the

son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph,

came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation; 20:15

And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem,

and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid

nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not

yours, but God's.

20:16 To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the

cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the brook, before

the wilderness of Jeruel.

20:17 Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand

ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and

Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them:

for the LORD will be with you.

20:18 And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground: and

all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD,

worshipping the LORD.

20:19 And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the

children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel

with a loud voice on high.

20:20 And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the

wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and

said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in

the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets,

so shall ye prosper.

20:21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers

unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they

went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy

endureth for ever.

20:22 And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set

ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which

were come against Judah; and they were smitten.

20:23 For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the

inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy them: and when

they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to

destroy another.

20:24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness,

they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, they were dead bodies

fallen to the earth, and none escaped.

20:25 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil

of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead

bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves,

more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering

of the spoil, it was so much.

20:26 And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of

Berachah; for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the

same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.

20:27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and

Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with

joy; for the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies.

20:28 And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and

trumpets unto the house of the LORD.

20:29 And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of those countries,

when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of

Israel.

20:30 So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gave him rest

round about.

20:31 And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: he was thirty and five years

old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in

Jerusalem.

And his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

20:32 And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not

from it, doing that which was right in the sight of the LORD.

20:33 Howbeit the high places were not taken away: for as yet the

people had not prepared their hearts unto the God of their fathers.

20:34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold,

they are written in the book of Jehu the son of Hanani, who is

mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.

20:35 And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with

Ahaziah king of Israel, who did very wickedly: 20:36 And he joined

himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the

ships in Eziongaber.

20:37 Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against

Jehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah,

the LORD hath broken thy works. And the ships were broken, that they

were not able to go to Tarshish.

21:1 Now Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his

fathers in the city of David. And Jehoram his son reigned in his

stead.

21:2 And he had brethren the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, and Jehiel,

and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these

were the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel.

21:3 And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold,

and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom

gave he to Jehoram; because he was the firstborn.

21:4 Now when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he

strengthened himself, and slew all his brethren with the sword, and

divers also of the princes of Israel.

21:5 Jehoram was thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and

he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

21:6 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the

house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought

that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD.

21:7 Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of David, because of

the covenant that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a

light to him and to his sons for ever.

21:8 In his days the Edomites revolted from under the dominion of

Judah, and made themselves a king.

21:9 Then Jehoram went forth with his princes, and all his chariots

with him: and he rose up by night, and smote the Edomites which

compassed him in, and the captains of the chariots.

21:10 So the Edomites revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this

day.

The same time also did Libnah revolt from under his hand; because he

had forsaken the LORD God of his fathers.

21:11 Moreover he made high places in the mountains of Judah and

caused the inhabitants of Jerusalem to commit fornication, and

compelled Judah thereto.

21:12 And there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying,

Thus saith the LORD God of David thy father, Because thou hast not

walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat thy father, nor in the ways of Asa

king of Judah, 21:13 But hast walked in the way of the kings of

Israel, and hast made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to go a

whoring, like to the whoredoms of the house of Ahab, and also hast

slain thy brethren of thy father's house, which were better than

thyself: 21:14 Behold, with a great plague will the LORD smite thy

people, and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods: 21:15 And

thou shalt have great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy

bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day.

21:16 Moreover the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the

Philistines, and of the Arabians, that were near the Ethiopians: 21:17

And they came up into Judah, and brake into it, and carried away all

the substance that was found in the king's house, and his sons also,

and his wives; so that there was never a son left him, save Jehoahaz,

the youngest of his sons.

21:18 And after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an

incurable disease.

21:19 And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of

two years, his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness: so he died

of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the

burning of his fathers.

21:20 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he

reigned in Jerusalem eight years, and departed without being desired.

Howbeit they buried him in the city of David, but not in the

sepulchres of the kings.

22:1 And the inhabitants of Jerusalem made Ahaziah his youngest son

king in his stead: for the band of men that came with the Arabians to

the camp had slain all the eldest. So Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king

of Judah reigned.

22:2 Forty and two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign, and

he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Athaliah

the daughter of Omri.

22:3 He also walked in the ways of the house of Ahab: for his mother

was his counsellor to do wickedly.

22:4 Wherefore he did evil in the sight of the LORD like the house of

Ahab: for they were his counsellors after the death of his father to

his destruction.

22:5 He walked also after their counsel, and went with Jehoram the son

of Ahab king of Israel to war against Hazael king of Syria at

Ramothgilead: and the Syrians smote Joram.

22:6 And he returned to be healed in Jezreel because of the wounds

which were given him at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael king of

Syria. And Azariah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see

Jehoram the son of Ahab at Jezreel, because he was sick.

22:7 And the destruction of Ahaziah was of God by coming to Joram: for

when he was come, he went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of

Nimshi, whom the LORD had anointed to cut off the house of Ahab.

22:8 And it came to pass, that, when Jehu was executing judgment upon

the house of Ahab, and found the princes of Judah, and the sons of the

brethren of Ahaziah, that ministered to Ahaziah, he slew them.

22:9 And he sought Ahaziah: and they caught him, (for he was hid in

Samaria,) and brought him to Jehu: and when they had slain him, they

buried him: Because, said they, he is the son of Jehoshaphat, who

sought the LORD with all his heart. So the house of Ahaziah had no

power to keep still the kingdom.

22:10 But when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was

dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal of the house of

Judah.

22:11 But Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son

of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons that were slain,

and put him and his nurse in a bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, the

daughter of king Jehoram, the wife of Jehoiada the priest, (for she

was the sister of Ahaziah,) hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew

him not.

22:12 And he was with them hid in the house of God six years: and

Athaliah reigned over the land.

23:1 And in the seventh year Jehoiada strengthened himself, and took

the captains of hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the

son of Jehohanan, and Azariah the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of

Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of Zichri, into covenant with him.

23:2 And they went about in Judah, and gathered the Levites out of all

the cities of Judah, and the chief of the fathers of Israel, and they

came to Jerusalem.

23:3 And all the congregation made a covenant with the king in the

house of God. And he said unto them, Behold, the king's son shall

reign, as the LORD hath said of the sons of David.

23:4 This is the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you entering

on the sabbath, of the priests and of the Levites, shall be porters of

the doors; 23:5 And a third part shall be at the king's house; and a

third part at the gate of the foundation: and all the people shall be

in the courts of the house of the LORD.

23:6 But let none come into the house of the LORD, save the priests,

and they that minister of the Levites; they shall go in, for they are

holy: but all the people shall keep the watch of the LORD.

23:7 And the Levites shall compass the king round about, every man

with his weapons in his hand; and whosoever else cometh into the

house, he shall be put to death: but be ye with the king when he

cometh in, and when he goeth out.

23:8 So the Levites and all Judah did according to all things that

Jehoiada the priest had commanded, and took every man his men that

were to come in on the sabbath, with them that were to go out on the

sabbath: for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not the courses.

23:9 Moreover Jehoiada the priest delivered to the captains of

hundreds spears, and bucklers, and shields, that had been king

David's, which were in the house of God.

23:10 And he set all the people, every man having his weapon in his

hand, from the right side of the temple to the left side of the

temple, along by the altar and the temple, by the king round about.

23:11 Then they brought out the king's son, and put upon him the

crown, and gave him the testimony, and made him king. And Jehoiada and

his sons anointed him, and said, God save the king.

23:12 Now when Athaliah heard the noise of the people running and

praising the king, she came to the people into the house of the LORD:

23:13 And she looked, and, behold, the king stood at his pillar at the

entering in, and the princes and the trumpets by the king: and all the

people of the land rejoiced, and sounded with trumpets, also the

singers with instruments of musick, and such as taught to sing praise.

Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, Treason, Treason.

23:14 Then Jehoiada the priest brought out the captains of hundreds

that were set over the host, and said unto them, Have her forth of the

ranges: and whoso followeth her, let him be slain with the sword. For

the priest said, Slay her not in the house of the LORD.

23:15 So they laid hands on her; and when she was come to the entering

of the horse gate by the king's house, they slew her there.

23:16 And Jehoiada made a covenant between him, and between all the

people, and between the king, that they should be the LORD's people.

23:17 Then all the people went to the house of Baal, and brake it

down, and brake his altars and his images in pieces, and slew Mattan

the priest of Baal before the altars.

23:18 Also Jehoiada appointed the offices of the house of the LORD by

the hand of the priests the Levites, whom David had distributed in the

house of the LORD, to offer the burnt offerings of the LORD, as it is

written in the law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing, as it

was ordained by David.

23:19 And he set the porters at the gates of the house of the LORD,

that none which was unclean in any thing should enter in.

23:20 And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the

governors of the people, and all the people of the land, and brought

down the king from the house of the LORD: and they came through the

high gate into the king's house, and set the king upon the throne of

the kingdom.

23:21 And all the people of the land rejoiced: and the city was quiet,

after that they had slain Athaliah with the sword.

24:1 Joash was seven years old when he began to reign, and he reigned

forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Zibiah of

Beersheba.

24:2 And Joash did that which was right in the sight of the LORD all

the days of Jehoiada the priest.

24:3 And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begat sons and

daughters.

24:4 And it came to pass after this, that Joash was minded to repair

the house of the LORD.

24:5 And he gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to

them, Go out unto the cities of Judah, and gather of all Israel money

to repair the house of your God from year to year, and see that ye

hasten the matter. Howbeit the Levites hastened it not.

24:6 And the king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him,

Why hast thou not required of the Levites to bring in out of Judah and

out of Jerusalem the collection, according to the commandment of Moses

the servant of the LORD, and of the congregation of Israel, for the

tabernacle of witness? 24:7 For the sons of Athaliah, that wicked

woman, had broken up the house of God; and also all the dedicated

things of the house of the LORD did they bestow upon Baalim.

24:8 And at the king's commandment they made a chest, and set it

without at the gate of the house of the LORD.

24:9 And they made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to

bring in to the LORD the collection that Moses the servant of God laid

upon Israel in the wilderness.

24:10 And all the princes and all the people rejoiced, and brought in,

and cast into the chest, until they had made an end.

24:11 Now it came to pass, that at what time the chest was brought

unto the king's office by the hand of the Levites, and when they saw

that there was much money, the king's scribe and the high priest's

officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to his

place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in

abundance.

24:12 And the king and Jehoiada gave it to such as did the work of the

service of the house of the LORD, and hired masons and carpenters to

repair the house of the LORD, and also such as wrought iron and brass

to mend the house of the LORD.

24:13 So the workmen wrought, and the work was perfected by them, and

they set the house of God in his state, and strengthened it.

24:14 And when they had finished it, they brought the rest of the

money before the king and Jehoiada, whereof were made vessels for the

house of the LORD, even vessels to minister, and to offer withal, and

spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt

offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the days of

Jehoiada.

24:15 But Jehoiada waxed old, and was full of days when he died; an

hundred and thirty years old was he when he died.

24:16 And they buried him in the city of David among the kings,

because he had done good in Israel, both toward God, and toward his

house.

24:17 Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and

made obeisance to the king. Then the king hearkened unto them.

24:18 And they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers, and

served groves and idols: and wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for

this their trespass.

24:19 Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD;

and they testified against them: but they would not give ear.

24:20 And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada

the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus

saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye

cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also

forsaken you.

24:21 And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at

the commandment of the king in the court of the house of the LORD.

24:22 Thus Joash the king remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada

his father had done to him, but slew his son. And when he died, he

said, The LORD look upon it, and require it.

24:23 And it came to pass at the end of the year, that the host of

Syria came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and

destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and

sent all the spoil of them unto the king of Damascus.

24:24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men,

and the LORD delivered a very great host into their hand, because they

had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers. So they executed judgment

against Joash.

24:25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in

great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood

of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he

died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him

not in the sepulchres of the kings.

24:26 And these are they that conspired against him; Zabad the son of

Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess.

24:27 Now concerning his sons, and the greatness of the burdens laid

upon him, and the repairing of the house of God, behold, they are

written in the story of the book of the kings. And Amaziah his son

reigned in his stead.

25:1 Amaziah was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and

he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name

was Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

25:2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, but not

with a perfect heart.

25:3 Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was established to him,

that he slew his servants that had killed the king his father.

25:4 But he slew not their children, but did as it is written in the

law in the book of Moses, where the LORD commanded, saying, The

fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die

for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin.

25:5 Moreover Amaziah gathered Judah together, and made them captains

over thousands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of

their fathers, throughout all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them

from twenty years old and above, and found them three hundred thousand

choice men, able to go forth to war, that could handle spear and

shield.

25:6 He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of

Israel for an hundred talents of silver.

25:7 But there came a man of God to him, saying, O king, let not the

army of Israel go with thee; for the LORD is not with Israel, to wit,

with all the children of Ephraim.

25:8 But if thou wilt go, do it; be strong for the battle: God shall

make thee fall before the enemy: for God hath power to help, and to

cast down.

25:9 And Amaziah said to the man of God, But what shall we do for the

hundred talents which I have given to the army of Israel? And the man

of God answered, The LORD is able to give thee much more than this.

25:10 Then Amaziah separated them, to wit, the army that was come to

him out of Ephraim, to go home again: wherefore their anger was

greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home in great anger.

25:11 And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his people, and

went to the valley of salt, and smote of the children of Seir ten

thousand.

25:12 And other ten thousand left alive did the children of Judah

carry away captive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and

cast them down from the top of the rock, that they all were broken in

pieces.

25:13 But the soldiers of the army which Amaziah sent back, that they

should not go with him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from

Samaria even unto Bethhoron, and smote three thousand of them, and

took much spoil.

25:14 Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the

slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of

Seir, and set them up to be his gods, and bowed down himself before

them, and burned incense unto them.

25:15 Wherefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and

he sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him, Why hast thou sought

after the gods of the people, which could not deliver their own people

out of thine hand? 25:16 And it came to pass, as he talked with him,

that the king said unto him, Art thou made of the king's counsel?

forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare, and

said, I know that God hath determined to destroy thee, because thou

hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel.

25:17 Then Amaziah king of Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the

son of Jehoahaz, the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us

see one another in the face.

25:18 And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying,

The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon,

saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a

wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.

25:19 Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites; and thine heart

lifteth thee up to boast: abide now at home; why shouldest thou meddle

to thine hurt, that thou shouldest fall, even thou, and Judah with

thee? 25:20 But Amaziah would not hear; for it came of God, that he

might deliver them into the hand of their enemies, because they sought

after the gods of Edom.

25:21 So Joash the king of Israel went up; and they saw one another in

the face, both he and Amaziah king of Judah, at Bethshemesh, which

belongeth to Judah.

25:22 And Judah was put to the worse before Israel, and they fled

every man to his tent.

25:23 And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son

of Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, at Bethshemesh, and brought him to

Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of

Ephraim to the corner gate, four hundred cubits.

25:24 And he took all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels

that were found in the house of God with Obededom, and the treasures

of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria.

25:25 And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death

of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.

25:26 Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold, are

they not written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel? 25:27

Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away from following the LORD

they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to

Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there.

25:28 And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his

fathers in the city of Judah.

26:1 Then all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who was sixteen years

old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah.

26:2 He built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king

slept with his fathers.

26:3 Sixteen years old was Uzziah when he began to reign, and he

reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was

Jecoliah of Jerusalem.

26:4 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that his father Amaziah did.

26:5 And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding

in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him

to prosper.

26:6 And he went forth and warred against the Philistines, and brake

down the wall of Gath, and the wall of Jabneh, and the wall of Ashdod,

and built cities about Ashdod, and among the Philistines.

26:7 And God helped him against the Philistines, and against the

Arabians that dwelt in Gurbaal, and the Mehunims.

26:8 And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name spread

abroad even to the entering in of Egypt; for he strengthened himself

exceedingly.

26:9 Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the corner gate, and

at the valley gate, and at the turning of the wall, and fortified

them.

26:10 Also he built towers in the desert, and digged many wells: for

he had much cattle, both in the low country, and in the plains:

husbandmen also, and vine dressers in the mountains, and in Carmel:

for he loved husbandry.

26:11 Moreover Uzziah had an host of fighting men, that went out to

war by bands, according to the number of their account by the hand of

Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the ruler, under the hand of Hananiah,

one of the king's captains.

26:12 The whole number of the chief of the fathers of the mighty men

of valour were two thousand and six hundred.

26:13 And under their hand was an army, three hundred thousand and

seven thousand and five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to

help the king against the enemy.

26:14 And Uzziah prepared for them throughout all the host shields,

and spears, and helmets, and habergeons, and bows, and slings to cast

stones.

26:15 And he made in Jerusalem engines, invented by cunning men, to be

on the towers and upon the bulwarks, to shoot arrows and great stones

withal.

And his name spread far abroad; for he was marvellously helped, till

he was strong.

26:16 But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to his

destruction: for he transgressed against the LORD his God, and went

into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense.

26:17 And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him fourscore

priests of the LORD, that were valiant men: 26:18 And they withstood

Uzziah the king, and said unto him, It appertaineth not unto thee,

Uzziah, to burn incense unto the LORD, but to the priests the sons of

Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary;

for thou hast trespassed; neither shall it be for thine honour from

the LORD God.

26:19 Then Uzziah was wroth, and had a censer in his hand to burn

incense: and while he was wroth with the priests, the leprosy even

rose up in his forehead before the priests in the house of the LORD,

from beside the incense altar.

26:20 And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon

him, and, behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him

out from thence; yea, himself hasted also to go out, because the LORD

had smitten him.

26:21 And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and

dwelt in a several house, being a leper; for he was cut off from the

house of the LORD: and Jotham his son was over the king's house,

judging the people of the land.

26:22 Now the rest of the acts of Uzziah, first and last, did Isaiah

the prophet, the son of Amoz, write.

26:23 So Uzziah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his

fathers in the field of the burial which belonged to the kings; for

they said, He is a leper: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

27:1 Jotham was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and

he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was

Jerushah, the daughter of Zadok.

27:2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that his father Uzziah did: howbeit he entered not

into the temple of the LORD. And the people did yet corruptly.

27:3 He built the high gate of the house of the LORD, and on the wall

of Ophel he built much.

27:4 Moreover he built cities in the mountains of Judah, and in the

forests he built castles and towers.

27:5 He fought also with the king of the Ammonites, and prevailed

against them. And the children of Ammon gave him the same year an

hundred talents of silver, and ten thousand measures of wheat, and ten

thousand of barley. So much did the children of Ammon pay unto him,

both the second year, and the third.

27:6 So Jotham became mighty, because he prepared his ways before the

LORD his God.

27:7 Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his

ways, lo, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and

Judah.

27:8 He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and

reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem.

27:9 And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the

city of David: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

28:1 Ahaz was twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned

sixteen years in Jerusalem: but he did not that which was right in the

sight of the LORD, like David his father: 28:2 For he walked in the

ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for Baalim.

28:3 Moreover he burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and

burnt his children in the fire, after the abominations of the heathen

whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.

28:4 He sacrificed also and burnt incense in the high places, and on

the hills, and under every green tree.

28:5 Wherefore the LORD his God delivered him into the hand of the

king of Syria; and they smote him, and carried away a great multitude

of them captives, and brought them to Damascus. And he was also

delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him with a

great slaughter.

28:6 For Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah an hundred and twenty

thousand in one day, which were all valiant men; because they had

forsaken the LORD God of their fathers.

28:7 And Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's

son, and Azrikam the governor of the house, and Elkanah that was next

to the king.

28:8 And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren

two hundred thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away

much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.

28:9 But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded: and he

went out before the host that came to Samaria, and said unto them,

Behold, because the LORD God of your fathers was wroth with Judah, he

hath delivered them into your hand, and ye have slain them in a rage

that reacheth up unto heaven.

28:10 And now ye purpose to keep under the children of Judah and

Jerusalem for bondmen and bondwomen unto you: but are there not with

you, even with you, sins against the LORD your God? 28:11 Now hear me

therefore, and deliver the captives again, which ye have taken captive

of your brethren: for the fierce wrath of the LORD is upon you.

28:12 Then certain of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah

the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah

the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against them

that came from the war, 28:13 And said unto them, Ye shall not bring

in the captives hither: for whereas we have offended against the LORD

already, ye intend to add more to our sins and to our trespass: for

our trespass is great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel.

28:14 So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the

princes and all the congregation.

28:15 And the men which were expressed by name rose up, and took the

captives, and with the spoil clothed all that were naked among them,

and arrayed them, and shod them, and gave them to eat and to drink,

and anointed them, and carried all the feeble of them upon asses, and

brought them to Jericho, the city of palm trees, to their brethren:

then they returned to Samaria.

28:16 At that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to

help him.

28:17 For again the Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried

away captives.

28:18 The Philistines also had invaded the cities of the low country,

and of the south of Judah, and had taken Bethshemesh, and Ajalon, and

Gederoth, and Shocho with the villages thereof, and Timnah with the

villages thereof, Gimzo also and the villages thereof: and they dwelt

there.

28:19 For the LORD brought Judah low because of Ahaz king of Israel;

for he made Judah naked, and transgressed sore against the LORD.

28:20 And Tilgathpilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and

distressed him, but strengthened him not.

28:21 For Ahaz took away a portion out of the house of the LORD, and

out of the house of the king, and of the princes, and gave it unto the

king of Assyria: but he helped him not.

28:22 And in the time of his distress did he trespass yet more against

the LORD: this is that king Ahaz.

28:23 For he sacrificed unto the gods of Damascus, which smote him:

and he said, Because the gods of the kings of Syria help them,

therefore will I sacrifice to them, that they may help me. But they

were the ruin of him, and of all Israel.

28:24 And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and

cut in pieces the vessels of the house of God, and shut up the doors

of the house of the LORD, and he made him altars in every corner of

Jerusalem.

28:25 And in every several city of Judah he made high places to burn

incense unto other gods, and provoked to anger the LORD God of his

fathers.

28:26 Now the rest of his acts and of all his ways, first and last,

behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

28:27 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the

city, even in Jerusalem: but they brought him not into the sepulchres

of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

29:1 Hezekiah began to reign when he was five and twenty years old,

and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's

name was Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah.

29:2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD,

according to all that David his father had done.

29:3 He in the first year of his reign, in the first month, opened the

doors of the house of the LORD, and repaired them.

29:4 And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them

together into the east street, 29:5 And said unto them, Hear me, ye

Levites, sanctify now yourselves, and sanctify the house of the LORD

God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the holy

place.

29:6 For our fathers have trespassed, and done that which was evil in

the eyes of the LORD our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned

away their faces from the habitation of the LORD, and turned their

backs.

29:7 Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the

lamps, and have not burned incense nor offered burnt offerings in the

holy place unto the God of Israel.

29:8 Wherefore the wrath of the LORD was upon Judah and Jerusalem, and

he hath delivered them to trouble, to astonishment, and to hissing, as

ye see with your eyes.

29:9 For, lo, our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and

our daughters and our wives are in captivity for this.

29:10 Now it is in mine heart to make a covenant with the LORD God of

Israel, that his fierce wrath may turn away from us.

29:11 My sons, be not now negligent: for the LORD hath chosen you to

stand before him, to serve him, and that ye should minister unto him,

and burn incense.

29:12 Then the Levites arose, Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the

son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites: and of the sons of

Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehalelel: and of

the Gershonites; Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah:

29:13 And of the sons of Elizaphan; Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the sons

of Asaph; Zechariah, and Mattaniah: 29:14 And of the sons of Heman;

Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of Jeduthun; Shemaiah, and Uzziel.

29:15 And they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselves, and

came, according to the commandment of the king, by the words of the

LORD, to cleanse the house of the LORD.

29:16 And the priests went into the inner part of the house of the

LORD, to cleanse it, and brought out all the uncleanness that they

found in the temple of the LORD into the court of the house of the

LORD. And the Levites took it, to carry it out abroad into the brook

Kidron.

29:17 Now they began on the first day of the first month to sanctify,

and on the eighth day of the month came they to the porch of the LORD:

so they sanctified the house of the LORD in eight days; and in the

sixteenth day of the first month they made an end.

29:18 Then they went in to Hezekiah the king, and said, We have

cleansed all the house of the LORD, and the altar of burnt offering,

with all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread table, with all the

vessels thereof.

29:19 Moreover all the vessels, which king Ahaz in his reign did cast

away in his transgression, have we prepared and sanctified, and,

behold, they are before the altar of the LORD.

29:20 Then Hezekiah the king rose early, and gathered the rulers of

the city, and went up to the house of the LORD.

29:21 And they brought seven bullocks, and seven rams, and seven

lambs, and seven he goats, for a sin offering for the kingdom, and for

the sanctuary, and for Judah. And he commanded the priests the sons of

Aaron to offer them on the altar of the LORD.

29:22 So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood,

and sprinkled it on the altar: likewise, when they had killed the

rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the

lambs, and they sprinkled the blood upon the altar.

29:23 And they brought forth the he goats for the sin offering before

the king and the congregation; and they laid their hands upon them:

29:24 And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with

their blood upon the altar, to make an atonement for all Israel: for

the king commanded that the burnt offering and the sin offering should

be made for all Israel.

29:25 And he set the Levites in the house of the LORD with cymbals,

with psalteries, and with harps, according to the commandment of

David, and of Gad the king's seer, and Nathan the prophet: for so was

the commandment of the LORD by his prophets.

29:26 And the Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the

priests with the trumpets.

29:27 And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the

altar.

And when the burnt offering began, the song of the LORD began also

with the trumpets, and with the instruments ordained by David king of

Israel.

29:28 And all the congregation worshipped, and the singers sang, and

the trumpeters sounded: and all this continued until the burnt

offering was finished.

29:29 And when they had made an end of offering, the king and all that

were present with him bowed themselves, and worshipped.

29:30 Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites

to sing praise unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the

seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads

and worshipped.

29:31 Then Hezekiah answered and said, Now ye have consecrated

yourselves unto the LORD, come near and bring sacrifices and thank

offerings into the house of the LORD. And the congregation brought in

sacrifices and thank offerings; and as many as were of a free heart

burnt offerings.

29:32 And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation

brought, was threescore and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, and two

hundred lambs: all these were for a burnt offering to the LORD.

29:33 And the consecrated things were six hundred oxen and three

thousand sheep.

29:34 But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all

the burnt offerings: wherefore their brethren the Levites did help

them, till the work was ended, and until the other priests had

sanctified themselves: for the Levites were more upright in heart to

sanctify themselves than the priests.

29:35 And also the burnt offerings were in abundance, with the fat of

the peace offerings, and the drink offerings for every burnt offering.

So the service of the house of the LORD was set in order.

29:36 And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God had prepared

the people: for the thing was done suddenly.

30:1 And Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters also

to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the

LORD at Jerusalem, to keep the passover unto the LORD God of Israel.

30:2 For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the

congregation in Jerusalem, to keep the passover in the second month.

30:3 For they could not keep it at that time, because the priests had

not sanctified themselves sufficiently, neither had the people

gathered themselves together to Jerusalem.

30:4 And the thing pleased the king and all the congregation.

30:5 So they established a decree to make proclamation throughout all

Israel, from Beersheba even to Dan, that they should come to keep the

passover unto the LORD God of Israel at Jerusalem: for they had not

done it of a long time in such sort as it was written.

30:6 So the posts went with the letters from the king and his princes

throughout all Israel and Judah, and according to the commandment of

the king, saying, Ye children of Israel, turn again unto the LORD God

of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and he will return to the remnant of

you, that are escaped out of the hand of the kings of Assyria.

30:7 And be not ye like your fathers, and like your brethren, which

trespassed against the LORD God of their fathers, who therefore gave

them up to desolation, as ye see.

30:8 Now be ye not stiffnecked, as your fathers were, but yield

yourselves unto the LORD, and enter into his sanctuary, which he hath

sanctified for ever: and serve the LORD your God, that the fierceness

of his wrath may turn away from you.

30:9 For if ye turn again unto the LORD, your brethren and your

children shall find compassion before them that lead them captive, so

that they shall come again into this land: for the LORD your God is

gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if ye

return unto him.

30:10 So the posts passed from city to city through the country of

Ephraim and Manasseh even unto Zebulun: but they laughed them to

scorn, and mocked them.

30:11 Nevertheless divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled

themselves, and came to Jerusalem.

30:12 Also in Judah the hand of God was to give them one heart to do

the commandment of the king and of the princes, by the word of the

LORD.

30:13 And there assembled at Jerusalem much people to keep the feast

of unleavened bread in the second month, a very great congregation.

30:14 And they arose and took away the altars that were in Jerusalem,

and all the altars for incense took they away, and cast them into the

brook Kidron.

30:15 Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of the

second month: and the priests and the Levites were ashamed, and

sanctified themselves, and brought in the burnt offerings into the

house of the LORD.

30:16 And they stood in their place after their manner, according to

the law of Moses the man of God: the priests sprinkled the blood,

which they received of the hand of the Levites.

30:17 For there were many in the congregation that were not

sanctified: therefore the Levites had the charge of the killing of the

passovers for every one that was not clean, to sanctify them unto the

LORD.

30:18 For a multitude of the people, even many of Ephraim, and

Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did

they eat the passover otherwise than it was written. But Hezekiah

prayed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon every one 30:19 That

prepareth his heart to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though

he be not cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary.

30:20 And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people.

30:21 And the children of Israel that were present at Jerusalem kept

the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness: and the

Levites and the priests praised the LORD day by day, singing with loud

instruments unto the LORD.

30:22 And Hezekiah spake comfortably unto all the Levites that taught

the good knowledge of the LORD: and they did eat throughout the feast

seven days, offering peace offerings, and making confession to the

LORD God of their fathers.

30:23 And the whole assembly took counsel to keep other seven days:

and they kept other seven days with gladness.

30:24 For Hezekiah king of Judah did give to the congregation a

thousand bullocks and seven thousand sheep; and the princes gave to

the congregation a thousand bullocks and ten thousand sheep: and a

great number of priests sanctified themselves.

30:25 And all the congregation of Judah, with the priests and the

Levites, and all the congregation that came out of Israel, and the

strangers that came out of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in

Judah, rejoiced.

30:26 So there was great joy in Jerusalem: for since the time of

Solomon the son of David king of Israel there was not the like in

Jerusalem.

30:27 Then the priests the Levites arose and blessed the people: and

their voice was heard, and their prayer came up to his holy dwelling

place, even unto heaven.

31:1 Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went

out to the cities of Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut

down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of

all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had

utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned,

every man to his possession, into their own cities.

31:2 And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites

after their courses, every man according to his service, the priests

and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister,

and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of the

LORD.

31:3 He appointed also the king's portion of his substance for the

burnt offerings, to wit, for the morning and evening burnt offerings,

and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for the new moons, and

for the set feasts, as it is written in the law of the LORD.

31:4 Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give

the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might be

encouraged in the law of the LORD.

31:5 And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the children of

Israel brought in abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil,

and honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all

things brought they in abundantly.

31:6 And concerning the children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in

the cities of Judah, they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep,

and the tithe of holy things which were consecrated unto the LORD

their God, and laid them by heaps.

31:7 In the third month they began to lay the foundation of the heaps,

and finished them in the seventh month.

31:8 And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they

blessed the LORD, and his people Israel.

31:9 Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites

concerning the heaps.

31:10 And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him,

and said, Since the people began to bring the offerings into the house

of the LORD, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty: for the

LORD hath blessed his people; and that which is left is this great

store.

31:11 Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare chambers in the house of the

LORD; and they prepared them, 31:12 And brought in the offerings and

the tithes and the dedicated things faithfully: over which Cononiah

the Levite was ruler, and Shimei his brother was the next.

31:13 And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth,

and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, were

overseers under the hand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the

commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the house

of God.

31:14 And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the porter toward the

east, was over the freewill offerings of God, to distribute the

oblations of the LORD, and the most holy things.

31:15 And next him were Eden, and Miniamin, and Jeshua, and Shemaiah,

Amariah, and Shecaniah, in the cities of the priests, in their set

office, to give to their brethren by courses, as well to the great as

to the small: 31:16 Beside their genealogy of males, from three years

old and upward, even unto every one that entereth into the house of

the LORD, his daily portion for their service in their charges

according to their courses; 31:17 Both to the genealogy of the priests

by the house of their fathers, and the Levites from twenty years old

and upward, in their charges by their courses; 31:18 And to the

genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and

their daughters, through all the congregation: for in their set office

they sanctified themselves in holiness: 31:19 Also of the sons of

Aaron the priests, which were in the fields of the suburbs of their

cities, in every several city, the men that were expressed by name, to

give portions to all the males among the priests, and to all that were

reckoned by genealogies among the Levites.

31:20 And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought that

which was good and right and truth before the LORD his God.

31:21 And in every work that he began in the service of the house of

God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did

it with all his heart, and prospered.

32:1 After these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib

king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the

fenced cities, and thought to win them for himself.

32:2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that he was

purposed to fight against Jerusalem, 32:3 He took counsel with his

princes and his mighty men to stop the waters of the fountains which

were without the city: and they did help him.

32:4 So there was gathered much people together, who stopped all the

fountains, and the brook that ran through the midst of the land,

saying, Why should the kings of Assyria come, and find much water?

32:5 Also he strengthened himself, and built up all the wall that was

broken, and raised it up to the towers, and another wall without, and

repaired Millo in the city of David, and made darts and shields in

abundance.

32:6 And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them

together to him in the street of the gate of the city, and spake

comfortably to them, saying, 32:7 Be strong and courageous, be not

afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude

that is with him: for there be more with us than with him: 32:8 With

him is an arm of flesh; but with us is the LORD our God to help us,

and to fight our battles. And the people rested themselves upon the

words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

32:9 After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to

Jerusalem, (but he himself laid siege against Lachish, and all his

power with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that

were at Jerusalem, saying, 32:10 Thus saith Sennacherib king of

Assyria, Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide in the siege in Jerusalem?

32:11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you to give over yourselves to die by

famine and by thirst, saying, The LORD our God shall deliver us out of

the hand of the king of Assyria? 32:12 Hath not the same Hezekiah

taken away his high places and his altars, and commanded Judah and

Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall worship before one altar, and burn incense

upon it? 32:13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all

the people of other lands? were the gods of the nations of those lands

any ways able to deliver their lands out of mine hand? 32:14 Who was

there among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly

destroyed, that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that your

God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand? 32:15 Now

therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this

manner, neither yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom

was able to deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand

of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of mine

hand? 32:16 And his servants spake yet more against the LORD God, and

against his servant Hezekiah.

32:17 He wrote also letters to rail on the LORD God of Israel, and to

speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of other lands

have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God

of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.

32:18 Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the

people of Jerusalem that were on the wall, to affright them, and to

trouble them; that they might take the city.

32:19 And they spake against the God of Jerusalem, as against the gods

of the people of the earth, which were the work of the hands of man.

32:20 And for this cause Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the

son of Amoz, prayed and cried to heaven.

32:21 And the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of

valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of

Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when

he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own

bowels slew him there with the sword.

32:22 Thus the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem

from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of

all other, and guided them on every side.

32:23 And many brought gifts unto the LORD to Jerusalem, and presents

to Hezekiah king of Judah: so that he was magnified in the sight of

all nations from thenceforth.

32:24 In those days Hezekiah was sick to the death, and prayed unto

the LORD: and he spake unto him, and he gave him a sign.

32:25 But Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit done

unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore there was wrath upon

him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem.

32:26 Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his

heart, both he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of

the LORD came not upon them in the days of Hezekiah.

32:27 And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honour: and he made

himself treasuries for silver, and for gold, and for precious stones,

and for spices, and for shields, and for all manner of pleasant

jewels; 32:28 Storehouses also for the increase of corn, and wine, and

oil; and stalls for all manner of beasts, and cotes for flocks.

32:29 Moreover he provided him cities, and possessions of flocks and

herds in abundance: for God had given him substance very much.

32:30 This same Hezekiah also stopped the upper watercourse of Gihon,

and brought it straight down to the west side of the city of David.

And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.

32:31 Howbeit in the business of the ambassadors of the princes of

Babylon, who sent unto him to enquire of the wonder that was done in

the land, God left him, to try him, that he might know all that was in

his heart.

32:32 Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his goodness, behold,

they are written in the vision of Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz,

and in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

32:33 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the

chiefest of the sepulchres of the sons of David: and all Judah and the

inhabitants of Jerusalem did him honour at his death. And Manasseh his

son reigned in his stead.

33:1 Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and he

reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem: 33:2 But did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD, like unto the abominations of the

heathen, whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.

33:3 For he built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had

broken down, and he reared up altars for Baalim, and made groves, and

worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them.

33:4 Also he built altars in the house of the LORD, whereof the LORD

had said, In Jerusalem shall my name be for ever.

33:5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts

of the house of the LORD.

33:6 And he caused his children to pass through the fire in the valley

of the son of Hinnom: also he observed times, and used enchantments,

and used witchcraft, and dealt with a familiar spirit, and with

wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him

to anger.

33:7 And he set a carved image, the idol which he had made, in the

house of God, of which God had said to David and to Solomon his son,

In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen before all the

tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever: 33:8 Neither will I any

more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have

appointed for your fathers; so that they will take heed to do all that

I have commanded them, according to the whole law and the statutes and

the ordinances by the hand of Moses.

33:9 So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to err,

and to do worse than the heathen, whom the LORD had destroyed before

the children of Israel.

33:10 And the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his people: but they

would not hearken.

33:11 Wherefore the LORD brought upon them the captains of the host of

the king of Assyria, which took Manasseh among the thorns, and bound

him with fetters, and carried him to Babylon.

33:12 And when he was in affliction, he besought the LORD his God, and

humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers, 33:13 And

prayed unto him: and he was intreated of him, and heard his

supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom.

Then Manasseh knew that the LORD he was God.

33:14 Now after this he built a wall without the city of David, on the

west side of Gihon, in the valley, even to the entering in at the fish

gate, and compassed about Ophel, and raised it up a very great height,

and put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah.

33:15 And he took away the strange gods, and the idol out of the house

of the LORD, and all the altars that he had built in the mount of the

house of the LORD, and in Jerusalem, and cast them out of the city.

33:16 And he repaired the altar of the LORD, and sacrificed thereon

peace offerings and thank offerings, and commanded Judah to serve the

LORD God of Israel.

33:17 Nevertheless the people did sacrifice still in the high places,

yet unto the LORD their God only.

33:18 Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his

God, and the words of the seers that spake to him in the name of the

LORD God of Israel, behold, they are written in the book of the kings

of Israel.

33:19 His prayer also, and how God was intreated of him, and all his

sins, and his trespass, and the places wherein he built high places,

and set up groves and graven images, before he was humbled: behold,

they are written among the sayings of the seers.

33:20 So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried him in his

own house: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.

33:21 Amon was two and twenty years old when he began to reign, and

reigned two years in Jerusalem.

33:22 But he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as did

Manasseh his father: for Amon sacrificed unto all the carved images

which Manasseh his father had made, and served them; 33:23 And humbled

not himself before the LORD, as Manasseh his father had humbled

himself; but Amon trespassed more and more.

33:24 And his servants conspired against him, and slew him in his own

house.

33:25 But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired

against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king

in his stead.

34:1 Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned

in Jerusalem one and thirty years.

34:2 And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, and

walked in the ways of David his father, and declined neither to the

right hand, nor to the left.

34:3 For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he

began to seek after the God of David his father: and in the twelfth

year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and

the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images.

34:4 And they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the

images, that were on high above them, he cut down; and the groves, and

the carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made

dust of them, and strowed it upon the graves of them that had

sacrificed unto them.

34:5 And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and

cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.

34:6 And so did he in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon,

even unto Naphtali, with their mattocks round about.

34:7 And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had

beaten the graven images into powder, and cut down all the idols

throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.

34:8 Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the

land, and the house, he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah

the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder, to

repair the house of the LORD his God.

34:9 And when they came to Hilkiah the high priest, they delivered the

money that was brought into the house of God, which the Levites that

kept the doors had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and

of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin; and they

returned to Jerusalem.

34:10 And they put it in the hand of the workmen that had the

oversight of the house of the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen

that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repair and amend the house:

34:11 Even to the artificers and builders gave they it, to buy hewn

stone, and timber for couplings, and to floor the houses which the

kings of Judah had destroyed.

34:12 And the men did the work faithfully: and the overseers of them

were Jahath and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and

Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohathites, to set it

forward; and other of the Levites, all that could skill of instruments

of musick.

34:13 Also they were over the bearers of burdens, and were overseers

of all that wrought the work in any manner of service: and of the

Levites there were scribes, and officers, and porters.

34:14 And when they brought out the money that was brought into the

house of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest found a book of the law of the

LORD given by Moses.

34:15 And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, I have

found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah

delivered the book to Shaphan.

34:16 And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and brought the king

word back again, saying, All that was committed to thy servants, they

do it.

34:17 And they have gathered together the money that was found in the

house of the LORD, and have delivered it into the hand of the

overseers, and to the hand of the workmen.

34:18 Then Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiah the

priest hath given me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king.

34:19 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the

law, that he rent his clothes.

34:20 And the king commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan,

and Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a

servant of the king's, saying, 34:21 Go, enquire of the LORD for me,

and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the

words of the book that is found: for great is the wrath of the LORD

that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word

of the LORD, to do after all that is written in this book.

34:22 And Hilkiah, and they that the king had appointed, went to

Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvath, the son

of Hasrah, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the

college:) and they spake to her to that effect.

34:23 And she answered them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell

ye the man that sent you to me, 34:24 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I

will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof,

even all the curses that are written in the book which they have read

before the king of Judah: 34:25 Because they have forsaken me, and

have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to

anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be

poured out upon this place, and shall not be quenched.

34:26 And as for the king of Judah, who sent you to enquire of the

LORD, so shall ye say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel

concerning the words which thou hast heard; 34:27 Because thine heart

was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before God, when thou

heardest his words against this place, and against the inhabitants

thereof, and humbledst thyself before me, and didst rend thy clothes,

and weep before me; I have even heard thee also, saith the LORD.

34:28 Behold, I will gather thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be

gathered to thy grave in peace, neither shall thine eyes see all the

evil that I will bring upon this place, and upon the inhabitants of

the same. So they brought the king word again.

34:29 Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah

and Jerusalem.

34:30 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men

of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the

Levites, and all the people, great and small: and he read in their

ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found in the

house of the LORD.

34:31 And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the

LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his

testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his

soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this

book.

34:32 And he caused all that were present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to

stand to it. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the

covenant of God, the God of their fathers.

34:33 And Josiah took away all the abominations out of all the

countries that pertained to the children of Israel, and made all that

were present in Israel to serve, even to serve the LORD their God. And

all his days they departed not from following the LORD, the God of

their fathers.

35:1 Moreover Josiah kept a passover unto the LORD in Jerusalem: and

they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month.

35:2 And he set the priests in their charges, and encouraged them to

the service of the house of the LORD, 35:3 And said unto the Levites

that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD, Put the holy

ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did

build; it shall not be a burden upon your shoulders: serve now the

LORD your God, and his people Israel, 35:4 And prepare yourselves by

the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to the

writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of

Solomon his son.

35:5 And stand in the holy place according to the divisions of the

families of the fathers of your brethren the people, and after the

division of the families of the Levites.

35:6 So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your

brethren, that they may do according to the word of the LORD by the

hand of Moses.

35:7 And Josiah gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all

for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number

of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these were of the

king's substance.

35:8 And his princes gave willingly unto the people, to the priests,

and to the Levites: Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the

house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two

thousand and six hundred small cattle and three hundred oxen.

35:9 Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and

Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, gave unto the

Levites for passover offerings five thousand small cattle, and five

hundred oxen.

35:10 So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their

place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's

commandment.

35:11 And they killed the passover, and the priests sprinkled the

blood from their hands, and the Levites flayed them.

35:12 And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give

according to the divisions of the families of the people, to offer

unto the LORD, as it is written in the book of Moses. And so did they

with the oxen.

35:13 And they roasted the passover with fire according to the

ordinance: but the other holy offerings sod they in pots, and in

caldrons, and in pans, and divided them speedily among all the people.

35:14 And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the

priests: because the priests the sons of Aaron were busied in offering

of burnt offerings and the fat until night; therefore the Levites

prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.

35:15 And the singers the sons of Asaph were in their place, according

to the commandment of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the

king's seer; and the porters waited at every gate; they might not

depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for

them.

35:16 So all the service of the LORD was prepared the same day, to

keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the

LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah.

35:17 And the children of Israel that were present kept the passover

at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread seven days.

35:18 And there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the

days of Samuel the prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep

such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and

all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of

Jerusalem.

35:19 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover

kept.

35:20 After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple, Necho king

of Egypt came up to fight against Charchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah

went out against him.

35:21 But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with

thee, thou king of Judah? I come not against thee this day, but

against the house wherewith I have war: for God commanded me to make

haste: forbear thee from meddling with God, who is with me, that he

destroy thee not.

35:22 Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but

disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not

unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight in

the valley of Megiddo.

35:23 And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his

servants, Have me away; for I am sore wounded.

35:24 His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him

in the second chariot that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem,

and he died, and was buried in one of the sepulchres of his fathers.

And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.

35:25 And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and

the singing women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day,

and made them an ordinance in Israel: and, behold, they are written in

the lamentations.

35:26 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his goodness, according

to that which was written in the law of the LORD, 35:27 And his deeds,

first and last, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of

Israel and Judah.

36:1 Then the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and

made him king in his father's stead in Jerusalem.

36:2 Jehoahaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign,

and he reigned three months in Jerusalem.

36:3 And the king of Egypt put him down at Jerusalem, and condemned

the land in an hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold.

36:4 And the king of Egypt made Eliakim his brother king over Judah

and Jerusalem, and turned his name to Jehoiakim. And Necho took

Jehoahaz his brother, and carried him to Egypt.

36:5 Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign,

and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD his God.

36:6 Against him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him

in fetters, to carry him to Babylon.

36:7 Nebuchadnezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of the

LORD to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon.

36:8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and his abominations which

he did, and that which was found in him, behold, they are written in

the book of the kings of Israel and Judah: and Jehoiachin his son

reigned in his stead.

36:9 Jehoiachin was eight years old when he began to reign, and he

reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did that which

was evil in the sight of the LORD.

36:10 And when the year was expired, king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and

brought him to Babylon, with the goodly vessels of the house of the

LORD, and made Zedekiah his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem.

36:11 Zedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign,

and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.

36:12 And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God,

and humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet speaking from the

mouth of the LORD.

36:13 And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made

him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart

from turning unto the LORD God of Israel.

36:14 Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people,

transgressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen; and

polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem.

36:15 And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his

messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion

on his people, and on his dwelling place: 36:16 But they mocked the

messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets,

until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was

no remedy.

36:17 Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who

slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary,

and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that

stooped for age: he gave them all into his hand.

36:18 And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and

the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king,

and of his princes; all these he brought to Babylon.

36:19 And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of

Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed

all the goodly vessels thereof.

36:20 And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to

Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign

of the kingdom of Persia: 36:21 To fulfil the word of the LORD by the

mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: for as

long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and

ten years.

36:22 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of

the LORD spoken by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the

LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a

proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing,

saying, 36:23 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the

earth hath the LORD God of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to

build him an house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Who is there among

you of all his people? The LORD his God be with him, and let him go up.

Ezra

1:1 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of

the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred

up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation

throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying, 1:2

Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me

all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an

house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

1:3 Who is there among you of all his people? his God be with him, and

let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of

the LORD God of Israel, (he is the God,) which is in Jerusalem.

1:4 And whosoever remaineth in any place where he sojourneth, let the

men of his place help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods,

and with beasts, beside the freewill offering for the house of God

that is in Jerusalem.

1:5 Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and

the priests, and the Levites, with all them whose spirit God had

raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem.

1:6 And all they that were about them strengthened their hands with

vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with

precious things, beside all that was willingly offered.

1:7 Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the

LORD, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had

put them in the house of his gods; 1:8 Even those did Cyrus king of

Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and

numbered them unto Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah.

1:9 And this is the number of them: thirty chargers of gold, a

thousand chargers of silver, nine and twenty knives, 1:10 Thirty

basons of gold, silver basons of a second sort four hundred and ten,

and other vessels a thousand.

1:11 All the vessels of gold and of silver were five thousand and four

hundred. All these did Sheshbazzar bring up with them of the captivity

that were brought up from Babylon unto Jerusalem.

2:1 Now these are the children of the province that went up out of the

captivity, of those which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar

the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and came again unto

Jerusalem and Judah, every one unto his city; 2:2 Which came with

Zerubbabel: Jeshua, Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan,

Mizpar, Bigvai, Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of

Israel: 2:3 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy

and two.

2:4 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

2:5 The children of Arah, seven hundred seventy and five.

2:6 The children of Pahathmoab, of the children of Jeshua and Joab,

two thousand eight hundred and twelve.

2:7 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

2:8 The children of Zattu, nine hundred forty and five.

2:9 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

2:10 The children of Bani, six hundred forty and two.

2:11 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three.

2:12 The children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two.

2:13 The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six.

2:14 The children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six.

2:15 The children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four.

2:16 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

2:17 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three.

2:18 The children of Jorah, an hundred and twelve.

2:19 The children of Hashum, two hundred twenty and three.

2:20 The children of Gibbar, ninety and five.

2:21 The children of Bethlehem, an hundred twenty and three.

2:22 The men of Netophah, fifty and six.

2:23 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

2:24 The children of Azmaveth, forty and two.

2:25 The children of Kirjatharim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven

hundred and forty and three.

2:26 The children of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

2:27 The men of Michmas, an hundred twenty and two.

2:28 The men of Bethel and Ai, two hundred twenty and three.

2:29 The children of Nebo, fifty and two.

2:30 The children of Magbish, an hundred fifty and six.

2:31 The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and

four.

2:32 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

2:33 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and

five.

2:34 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

2:35 The children of Senaah, three thousand and six hundred and

thirty.

2:36 The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua,

nine hundred seventy and three.

2:37 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

2:38 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.

2:39 The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.

2:40 The Levites: the children of Jeshua and Kadmiel, of the children

of Hodaviah, seventy and four.

2:41 The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight.

2:42 The children of the porters: the children of Shallum, the

children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the

children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, in all an hundred thirty

and nine.

2:43 The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the

children of Tabbaoth, 2:44 The children of Keros, the children of

Siaha, the children of Padon, 2:45 The children of Lebanah, the

children of Hagabah, the children of Akkub, 2:46 The children of

Hagab, the children of Shalmai, the children of Hanan, 2:47 The

children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah,

2:48 The children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, the children of

Gazzam, 2:49 The children of Uzza, the children of Paseah, the

children of Besai, 2:50 The children of Asnah, the children of

Mehunim, the children of Nephusim, 2:51 The children of Bakbuk, the

children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur, 2:52 The children of

Bazluth, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha, 2:53 The

children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Thamah,

2:54 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.

2:55 The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the

children of Sophereth, the children of Peruda, 2:56 The children of

Jaalah, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel, 2:57 The

children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of

Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of Ami.

2:58 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, were

three hundred ninety and two.

2:59 And these were they which went up from Telmelah, Telharsa,

Cherub, Addan, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's

house, and their seed, whether they were of Israel: 2:60 The children

of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six

hundred fifty and two.

2:61 And of the children of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the

children of Koz, the children of Barzillai; which took a wife of the

daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name:

2:62 These sought their register among those that were reckoned by

genealogy, but they were not found: therefore were they, as polluted,

put from the priesthood.

2:63 And the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the

most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and with

Thummim.

2:64 The whole congregation together was forty and two thousand three

hundred and threescore, 2:65 Beside their servants and their maids, of

whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and

there were among them two hundred singing men and singing women.

2:66 Their horses were seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two

hundred forty and five; 2:67 Their camels, four hundred thirty and

five; their asses, six thousand seven hundred and twenty.

2:68 And some of the chief of the fathers, when they came to the house

of the LORD which is at Jerusalem, offered freely for the house of God

to set it up in his place: 2:69 They gave after their ability unto the

treasure of the work threescore and one thousand drams of gold, and

five thousand pound of silver, and one hundred priests' garments.

2:70 So the priests, and the Levites, and some of the people, and the

singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, dwelt in their cities,

and all Israel in their cities.

3:1 And when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel

were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man

to Jerusalem.

3:2 Then stood up Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the

priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and

builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings

thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God.

3:3 And they set the altar upon his bases; for fear was upon them

because of the people of those countries: and they offered burnt

offerings thereon unto the LORD, even burnt offerings morning and

evening.

3:4 They kept also the feast of tabernacles, as it is written, and

offered the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom,

as the duty of every day required; 3:5 And afterward offered the

continual burnt offering, both of the new moons, and of all the set

feasts of the LORD that were consecrated, and of every one that

willingly offered a freewill offering unto the LORD.

3:6 From the first day of the seventh month began they to offer burnt

offerings unto the LORD. But the foundation of the temple of the LORD

was not yet laid.

3:7 They gave money also unto the masons, and to the carpenters; and

meat, and drink, and oil, unto them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to

bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of Joppa, according to the

grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia.

3:8 Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of God at

Jerusalem, in the second month, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel,

and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the remnant of their brethren the

priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the

captivity unto Jerusalem; and appointed the Levites, from twenty years

old and upward, to set forward the work of the house of the LORD.

3:9 Then stood Jeshua with his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his

sons, the sons of Judah, together, to set forward the workmen in the

house of God: the sons of Henadad, with their sons and their brethren

the Levites.

3:10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the

LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the

Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the

ordinance of David king of Israel.

3:11 And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks

unto the LORD; because he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever

toward Israel.

And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the

LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

3:12 But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, who

were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation

of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and

many shouted aloud for joy: 3:13 So that the people could not discern

the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the

people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was

heard afar off.

4:1 Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the

children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of

Israel; 4:2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the

fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your

God, as ye do; and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of

Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.

4:3 But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the

fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to

build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto

the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath

commanded us.

4:4 Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of

Judah, and troubled them in building, 4:5 And hired counsellors

against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king

of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia.

4:6 And in the reign of Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign,

wrote they unto him an accusation against the inhabitants of Judah and

Jerusalem.

4:7 And in the days of Artaxerxes wrote Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel,

and the rest of their companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and

the writing of the letter was written in the Syrian tongue, and

interpreted in the Syrian tongue.

4:8 Rehum the chancellor and Shimshai the scribe wrote a letter

against Jerusalem to Artaxerxes the king in this sort: 4:9 Then wrote

Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai the scribe, and the rest of their

companions; the Dinaites, the Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the

Apharsites, the Archevites, the Babylonians, the Susanchites, the

Dehavites, and the Elamites, 4:10 And the rest of the nations whom the

great and noble Asnapper brought over, and set in the cities of

Samaria, and the rest that are on this side the river, and at such a

time.

4:11 This is the copy of the letter that they sent unto him, even unto

Artaxerxes the king; Thy servants the men on this side the river, and

at such a time.

4:12 Be it known unto the king, that the Jews which came up from thee

to us are come unto Jerusalem, building the rebellious and the bad

city, and have set up the walls thereof, and joined the foundations.

4:13 Be it known now unto the king, that, if this city be builded, and

the walls set up again, then will they not pay toll, tribute, and

custom, and so thou shalt endamage the revenue of the kings.

4:14 Now because we have maintenance from the king's palace, and it

was not meet for us to see the king's dishonour, therefore have we

sent and certified the king; 4:15 That search may be made in the book

of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the

records, and know that this city is a rebellious city, and hurtful

unto kings and provinces, and that they have moved sedition within the

same of old time: for which cause was this city destroyed.

4:16 We certify the king that, if this city be builded again, and the

walls thereof set up, by this means thou shalt have no portion on this

side the river.

4:17 Then sent the king an answer unto Rehum the chancellor, and to

Shimshai the scribe, and to the rest of their companions that dwell in

Samaria, and unto the rest beyond the river, Peace, and at such a

time.

4:18 The letter which ye sent unto us hath been plainly read before

me.

4:19 And I commanded, and search hath been made, and it is found that

this city of old time hath made insurrection against kings, and that

rebellion and sedition have been made therein.

4:20 There have been mighty kings also over Jerusalem, which have

ruled over all countries beyond the river; and toll, tribute, and

custom, was paid unto them.

4:21 Give ye now commandment to cause these men to cease, and that

this city be not builded, until another commandment shall be given

from me.

4:22 Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why should damage grow

to the hurt of the kings? 4:23 Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes'

letter was read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their

companions, they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and made

them to cease by force and power.

4:24 Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem.

So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of

Persia.

5:1 Then the prophets, Haggai the prophet, and Zechariah the son of

Iddo, prophesied unto the Jews that were in Judah and Jerusalem in the

name of the God of Israel, even unto them.

5:2 Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son

of Jozadak, and began to build the house of God which is at Jerusalem:

and with them were the prophets of God helping them.

5:3 At the same time came to them Tatnai, governor on this side the

river, and Shetharboznai and their companions, and said thus unto

them, Who hath commanded you to build this house, and to make up this

wall? 5:4 Then said we unto them after this manner, What are the

names of the men that make this building? 5:5 But the eye of their

God was upon the elders of the Jews, that they could not cause them to

cease, till the matter came to Darius: and then they returned answer

by letter concerning this matter.

5:6 The copy of the letter that Tatnai, governor on this side the

river, and Shetharboznai and his companions the Apharsachites, which

were on this side the river, sent unto Darius the king: 5:7 They sent

a letter unto him, wherein was written thus; Unto Darius the king, all

peace.

5:8 Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of

Judea, to the house of the great God, which is builded with great

stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and this work goeth fast on,

and prospereth in their hands.

5:9 Then asked we those elders, and said unto them thus, Who commanded

you to build this house, and to make up these walls? 5:10 We asked

their names also, to certify thee, that we might write the names of

the men that were the chief of them.

5:11 And thus they returned us answer, saying, We are the servants of

the God of heaven and earth, and build the house that was builded

these many years ago, which a great king of Israel builded and set up.

5:12 But after that our fathers had provoked the God of heaven unto

wrath, he gave them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of

Babylon, the Chaldean, who destroyed this house, and carried the

people away into Babylon.

5:13 But in the first year of Cyrus the king of Babylon the same king

Cyrus made a decree to build this house of God.

5:14 And the vessels also of gold and silver of the house of God,

which Nebuchadnezzar took out of the temple that was in Jerusalem, and

brought them into the temple of Babylon, those did Cyrus the king take

out of the temple of Babylon, and they were delivered unto one, whose

name was Sheshbazzar, whom he had made governor; 5:15 And said unto

him, Take these vessels, go, carry them into the temple that is in

Jerusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.

5:16 Then came the same Sheshbazzar, and laid the foundation of the

house of God which is in Jerusalem: and since that time even until now

hath it been in building, and yet it is not finished.

5:17 Now therefore, if it seem good to the king, let there be search

made in the king's treasure house, which is there at Babylon, whether

it be so, that a decree was made of Cyrus the king to build this house

of God at Jerusalem, and let the king send his pleasure to us

concerning this matter.

6:1 Then Darius the king made a decree, and search was made in the

house of the rolls, where the treasures were laid up in Babylon.

6:2 And there was found at Achmetha, in the palace that is in the

province of the Medes, a roll, and therein was a record thus written:

6:3 In the first year of Cyrus the king the same Cyrus the king made a

decree concerning the house of God at Jerusalem, Let the house be

builded, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the

foundations thereof be strongly laid; the height thereof threescore

cubits, and the breadth thereof threescore cubits; 6:4 With three rows

of great stones, and a row of new timber: and let the expenses be

given out of the king's house: 6:5 And also let the golden and silver

vessels of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took forth out of

the temple which is at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon, be

restored, and brought again unto the temple which is at Jerusalem,

every one to his place, and place them in the house of God.

6:6 Now therefore, Tatnai, governor beyond the river, Shetharboznai,

and your companions the Apharsachites, which are beyond the river, be

ye far from thence: 6:7 Let the work of this house of God alone; let

the governor of the Jews and the elders of the Jews build this house

of God in his place.

6:8 Moreover I make a decree what ye shall do to the elders of these

Jews for the building of this house of God: that of the king's goods,

even of the tribute beyond the river, forthwith expenses be given unto

these men, that they be not hindered.

6:9 And that which they have need of, both young bullocks, and rams,

and lambs, for the burnt offerings of the God of heaven, wheat, salt,

wine, and oil, according to the appointment of the priests which are

at Jerusalem, let it be given them day by day without fail: 6:10 That

they may offer sacrifices of sweet savours unto the God of heaven, and

pray for the life of the king, and of his sons.

6:11 Also I have made a decree, that whosoever shall alter this word,

let timber be pulled down from his house, and being set up, let him be

hanged thereon; and let his house be made a dunghill for this.

6:12 And the God that hath caused his name to dwell there destroy all

kings and people, that shall put to their hand to alter and to destroy

this house of God which is at Jerusalem. I Darius have made a decree;

let it be done with speed.

6:13 Then Tatnai, governor on this side the river, Shetharboznai, and

their companions, according to that which Darius the king had sent, so

they did speedily.

6:14 And the elders of the Jews builded, and they prospered through

the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo.

And they builded, and finished it, according to the commandment of the

God of Israel, and according to the commandment of Cyrus, and Darius,

and Artaxerxes king of Persia.

6:15 And this house was finished on the third day of the month Adar,

which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king.

6:16 And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the

rest of the children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this

house of God with joy.

6:17 And offered at the dedication of this house of God an hundred

bullocks, two hundred rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin offering

for all Israel, twelve he goats, according to the number of the tribes

of Israel.

6:18 And they set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in

their courses, for the service of God, which is at Jerusalem; as it is

written in the book of Moses.

6:19 And the children of the captivity kept the passover upon the

fourteenth day of the first month.

6:20 For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of

them were pure, and killed the passover for all the children of the

captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves.

6:21 And the children of Israel, which were come again out of

captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the

filthiness of the heathen of the land, to seek the LORD God of Israel,

did eat, 6:22 And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with

joy: for the LORD had made them joyful, and turned the heart of the

king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of

the house of God, the God of Israel.

7:1 Now after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia,

Ezra the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah, 7:2

The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub, 7:3 The son

of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth, 7:4 The son of

Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki, 7:5 The son of Abishua,

the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief

priest: 7:6 This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he was a ready scribe

in the law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had given: and the

king granted him all his request, according to the hand of the LORD

his God upon him.

7:7 And there went up some of the children of Israel, and of the

priests, and the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the

Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king.

7:8 And he came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which was in the

seventh year of the king.

7:9 For upon the first day of the first month began he to go up from

Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem,

according to the good hand of his God upon him.

7:10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and

to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

7:11 Now this is the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave

unto Ezra the priest, the scribe, even a scribe of the words of the

commandments of the LORD, and of his statutes to Israel.

7:12 Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the

law of the God of heaven, perfect peace, and at such a time.

7:13 I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and of

his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own

freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee.

7:14 Forasmuch as thou art sent of the king, and of his seven

counsellors, to enquire concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to

the law of thy God which is in thine hand; 7:15 And to carry the

silver and gold, which the king and his counsellors have freely

offered unto the God of Israel, whose habitation is in Jerusalem, 7:16

And all the silver and gold that thou canst find in all the province

of Babylon, with the freewill offering of the people, and of the

priests, offering willingly for the house of their God which is in

Jerusalem: 7:17 That thou mayest buy speedily with this money

bullocks, rams, lambs, with their meat offerings and their drink

offerings, and offer them upon the altar of the house of your God

which is in Jerusalem.

7:18 And whatsoever shall seem good to thee, and to thy brethren, to

do with the rest of the silver and the gold, that do after the will of

your God.

7:19 The vessels also that are given thee for the service of the house

of thy God, those deliver thou before the God of Jerusalem.

7:20 And whatsoever more shall be needful for the house of thy God,

which thou shalt have occasion to bestow, bestow it out of the king's

treasure house.

7:21 And I, even I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the

treasurers which are beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the

priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of

you, it be done speedily, 7:22 Unto an hundred talents of silver, and

to an hundred measures of wheat, and to an hundred baths of wine, and

to an hundred baths of oil, and salt without prescribing how much.

7:23 Whatsoever is commanded by the God of heaven, let it be

diligently done for the house of the God of heaven: for why should

there be wrath against the realm of the king and his sons? 7:24 Also

we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, singers,

porters, Nethinims, or ministers of this house of God, it shall not be

lawful to impose toll, tribute, or custom, upon them.

7:25 And thou, Ezra, after the wisdom of thy God, that is in thine

hand, set magistrates and judges, which may judge all the people that

are beyond the river, all such as know the laws of thy God; and teach

ye them that know them not.

7:26 And whosoever will not do the law of thy God, and the law of the

king, let judgment be executed speedily upon him, whether it be unto

death, or to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to

imprisonment.

7:27 Blessed be the LORD God of our fathers, which hath put such a

thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the LORD

which is in Jerusalem: 7:28 And hath extended mercy unto me before the

king, and his counsellors, and before all the king's mighty princes.

And I was strengthened as the hand of the LORD my God was upon me, and

I gathered together out of Israel chief men to go up with me.

8:1 These are now the chief of their fathers, and this is the

genealogy of them that went up with me from Babylon, in the reign of

Artaxerxes the king.

8:2 Of the sons of Phinehas; Gershom: of the sons of Ithamar; Daniel:

of the sons of David; Hattush.

8:3 Of the sons of Shechaniah, of the sons of Pharosh; Zechariah: and

with him were reckoned by genealogy of the males an hundred and fifty.

8:4 Of the sons of Pahathmoab; Elihoenai the son of Zerahiah, and with

him two hundred males.

8:5 Of the sons of Shechaniah; the son of Jahaziel, and with him three

hundred males.

8:6 Of the sons also of Adin; Ebed the son of Jonathan, and with him

fifty males.

8:7 And of the sons of Elam; Jeshaiah the son of Athaliah, and with

him seventy males.

8:8 And of the sons of Shephatiah; Zebadiah the son of Michael, and

with him fourscore males.

8:9 Of the sons of Joab; Obadiah the son of Jehiel, and with him two

hundred and eighteen males.

8:10 And of the sons of Shelomith; the son of Josiphiah, and with him

an hundred and threescore males.

8:11 And of the sons of Bebai; Zechariah the son of Bebai, and with

him twenty and eight males.

8:12 And of the sons of Azgad; Johanan the son of Hakkatan, and with

him an hundred and ten males.

8:13 And of the last sons of Adonikam, whose names are these,

Eliphelet, Jeiel, and Shemaiah, and with them threescore males.

8:14 Of the sons also of Bigvai; Uthai, and Zabbud, and with them

seventy males.

8:15 And I gathered them together to the river that runneth to Ahava;

and there abode we in tents three days: and I viewed the people, and

the priests, and found there none of the sons of Levi.

8:16 Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shemaiah, and for

Elnathan, and for Jarib, and for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for

Zechariah, and for Meshullam, chief men; also for Joiarib, and for

Elnathan, men of understanding.

8:17 And I sent them with commandment unto Iddo the chief at the place

Casiphia, and I told them what they should say unto Iddo, and to his

brethren the Nethinims, at the place Casiphia, that they should bring

unto us ministers for the house of our God.

8:18 And by the good hand of our God upon us they brought us a man of

understanding, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of

Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his brethren, eighteen; 8:19

And Hashabiah, and with him Jeshaiah of the sons of Merari, his

brethren and their sons, twenty; 8:20 Also of the Nethinims, whom

David and the princes had appointed for the service of the Levites,

two hundred and twenty Nethinims: all of them were expressed by name.

8:21 Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we

might afflict ourselves before our God, to seek of him a right way for

us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.

8:22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and

horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had

spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God is upon all them for

good that seek him; but his power and his wrath is against all them

that forsake him.

8:23 So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated

of us.

8:24 Then I separated twelve of the chief of the priests, Sherebiah,

Hashabiah, and ten of their brethren with them, 8:25 And weighed unto

them the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, even the offering of

the house of our God, which the king, and his counsellors, and his

lords, and all Israel there present, had offered: 8:26 I even weighed

unto their hand six hundred and fifty talents of silver, and silver

vessels an hundred talents, and of gold an hundred talents; 8:27 Also

twenty basons of gold, of a thousand drams; and two vessels of fine

copper, precious as gold.

8:28 And I said unto them, Ye are holy unto the LORD; the vessels are

holy also; and the silver and the gold are a freewill offering unto

the LORD God of your fathers.

8:29 Watch ye, and keep them, until ye weigh them before the chief of

the priests and the Levites, and chief of the fathers of Israel, at

Jerusalem, in the chambers of the house of the LORD.

8:30 So took the priests and the Levites the weight of the silver, and

the gold, and the vessels, to bring them to Jerusalem unto the house

of our God.

8:31 Then we departed from the river of Ahava on the twelfth day of

the first month, to go unto Jerusalem: and the hand of our God was

upon us, and he delivered us from the hand of the enemy, and of such

as lay in wait by the way.

8:32 And we came to Jerusalem, and abode there three days.

8:33 Now on the fourth day was the silver and the gold and the vessels

weighed in the house of our God by the hand of Meremoth the son of

Uriah the priest; and with him was Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and

with them was Jozabad the son of Jeshua, and Noadiah the son of

Binnui, Levites; 8:34 By number and by weight of every one: and all

the weight was written at that time.

8:35 Also the children of those that had been carried away, which were

come out of the captivity, offered burnt offerings unto the God of

Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel, ninety and six rams, seventy

and seven lambs, twelve he goats for a sin offering: all this was a

burnt offering unto the LORD.

8:36 And they delivered the king's commissions unto the king's

lieutenants, and to the governors on this side the river: and they

furthered the people, and the house of God.

9:1 Now when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying,

The people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not

separated themselves from the people of the lands, doing according to

their abominations, even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the

Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians,

and the Amorites.

9:2 For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for

their sons: so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the

people of those lands: yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath

been chief in this trespass.

9:3 And when I heard this thing, I rent my garment and my mantle, and

plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard, and sat down

astonied.

9:4 Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words

of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had

been carried away; and I sat astonied until the evening sacrifice.

9:5 And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and

having rent my garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread

out my hands unto the LORD my God, 9:6 And said, O my God, I am

ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our

iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up

unto the heavens.

9:7 Since the days of our fathers have we been in a great trespass

unto this day; and for our iniquities have we, our kings, and our

priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to

the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as

it is this day.

9:8 And now for a little space grace hath been shewed from the LORD

our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us a nail in his

holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little

reviving in our bondage.

9:9 For we were bondmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our

bondage, but hath extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of

Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and to

repair the desolations thereof, and to give us a wall in Judah and in

Jerusalem.

9:10 And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have

forsaken thy commandments, 9:11 Which thou hast commanded by thy

servants the prophets, saying, The land, unto which ye go to possess

it, is an unclean land with the filthiness of the people of the lands,

with their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another

with their uncleanness.

9:12 Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither

take their daughters unto your sons, nor seek their peace or their

wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land,

and leave it for an inheritance to your children for ever.

9:13 And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for

our great trespass, seeing that thou our God hast punished us less

than our iniquities deserve, and hast given us such deliverance as

this; 9:14 Should we again break thy commandments, and join in

affinity with the people of these abominations? wouldest not thou be

angry with us till thou hadst consumed us, so that there should be no

remnant nor escaping? 9:15 O LORD God of Israel, thou art righteous:

for we remain yet escaped, as it is this day: behold, we are before

thee in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before thee because of

this.

10:1 Now when Ezra had prayed, and when he had confessed, weeping and

casting himself down before the house of God, there assembled unto him

out of Israel a very great congregation of men and women and children:

for the people wept very sore.

10:2 And Shechaniah the son of Jehiel, one of the sons of Elam,

answered and said unto Ezra, We have trespassed against our God, and

have taken strange wives of the people of the land: yet now there is

hope in Israel concerning this thing.

10:3 Now therefore let us make a covenant with our God to put away all

the wives, and such as are born of them, according to the counsel of

my lord, and of those that tremble at the commandment of our God; and

let it be done according to the law.

10:4 Arise; for this matter belongeth unto thee: we also will be with

thee: be of good courage, and do it.

10:5 Then arose Ezra, and made the chief priests, the Levites, and all

Israel, to swear that they should do according to this word. And they

sware.

10:6 Then Ezra rose up from before the house of God, and went into the

chamber of Johanan the son of Eliashib: and when he came thither, he

did eat no bread, nor drink water: for he mourned because of the

transgression of them that had been carried away.

10:7 And they made proclamation throughout Judah and Jerusalem unto

all the children of the captivity, that they should gather themselves

together unto Jerusalem; 10:8 And that whosoever would not come within

three days, according to the counsel of the princes and the elders,

all his substance should be forfeited, and himself separated from the

congregation of those that had been carried away.

10:9 Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves

together unto Jerusalem within three days. It was the ninth month, on

the twentieth day of the month; and all the people sat in the street

of the house of God, trembling because of this matter, and for the

great rain.

10:10 And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, Ye have

transgressed, and have taken strange wives, to increase the trespass

of Israel.

10:11 Now therefore make confession unto the LORD God of your fathers,

and do his pleasure: and separate yourselves from the people of the

land, and from the strange wives.

10:12 Then all the congregation answered and said with a loud voice,

As thou hast said, so must we do.

10:13 But the people are many, and it is a time of much rain, and we

are not able to stand without, neither is this a work of one day or

two: for we are many that have transgressed in this thing.

10:14 Let now our rulers of all the congregation stand, and let all

them which have taken strange wives in our cities come at appointed

times, and with them the elders of every city, and the judges thereof,

until the fierce wrath of our God for this matter be turned from us.

10:15 Only Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahaziah the son of Tikvah

were employed about this matter: and Meshullam and Shabbethai the

Levite helped them.

10:16 And the children of the captivity did so. And Ezra the priest,

with certain chief of the fathers, after the house of their fathers,

and all of them by their names, were separated, and sat down in the

first day of the tenth month to examine the matter.

10:17 And they made an end with all the men that had taken strange

wives by the first day of the first month.

10:18 And among the sons of the priests there were found that had

taken strange wives: namely, of the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak,

and his brethren; Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah.

10:19 And they gave their hands that they would put away their wives;

and being guilty, they offered a ram of the flock for their trespass.

10:20 And of the sons of Immer; Hanani, and Zebadiah.

10:21 And of the sons of Harim; Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah,

and Jehiel, and Uzziah.

10:22 And of the sons of Pashur; Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael,

Nethaneel, Jozabad, and Elasah.

10:23 Also of the Levites; Jozabad, and Shimei, and Kelaiah, (the same

is Kelita,) Pethahiah, Judah, and Eliezer.

10:24 Of the singers also; Eliashib: and of the porters; Shallum, and

Telem, and Uri.

10:25 Moreover of Israel: of the sons of Parosh; Ramiah, and Jeziah,

and Malchiah, and Miamin, and Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah.

10:26 And of the sons of Elam; Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and

Abdi, and Jeremoth, and Eliah.

10:27 And of the sons of Zattu; Elioenai, Eliashib, Mattaniah, and

Jeremoth, and Zabad, and Aziza.

10:28 Of the sons also of Bebai; Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, and

Athlai.

10:29 And of the sons of Bani; Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub,

and Sheal, and Ramoth.

10:30 And of the sons of Pahathmoab; Adna, and Chelal, Benaiah,

Maaseiah, Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and Binnui, and Manasseh.

10:31 And of the sons of Harim; Eliezer, Ishijah, Malchiah, Shemaiah,

Shimeon, 10:32 Benjamin, Malluch, and Shemariah.

10:33 Of the sons of Hashum; Mattenai, Mattathah, Zabad, Eliphelet,

Jeremai, Manasseh, and Shimei.

10:34 Of the sons of Bani; Maadai, Amram, and Uel, 10:35 Benaiah,

Bedeiah, Chelluh, 10:36 Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib, 10:37 Mattaniah,

Mattenai, and Jaasau, 10:38 And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei, 10:39 And

Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah, 10:40 Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai,

10:41 Azareel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah, 10:42 Shallum, Amariah, and

Joseph.

10:43 Of the sons of Nebo; Jeiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Jadau,

and Joel, Benaiah.

10:44 All these had taken strange wives: and some of them had wives by

whom they had children.

The Book of Nehemiah

1:1 The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass

in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the

palace, 1:2 That Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and certain men

of Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews that had escaped, which

were left of the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem.

1:3 And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity

there in the province are in great affliction and reproach: the wall

of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned

with fire.

1:4 And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that I sat down and

wept, and mourned certain days, and fasted, and prayed before the God

of heaven, 1:5 And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the

great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that

love him and observe his commandments: 1:6 Let thine ear now be

attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of

thy servant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the

children of Israel thy servants, and confess the sins of the children

of Israel, which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's

house have sinned.

1:7 We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have not kept the

commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou

commandedst thy servant Moses.

1:8 Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy

servant Moses, saying, If ye transgress, I will scatter you abroad

among the nations: 1:9 But if ye turn unto me, and keep my

commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the

uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and

will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name

there.

1:10 Now these are thy servants and thy people, whom thou hast

redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand.

1:11 O LORD, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the

prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire

to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and

grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was the king's

cupbearer.

2:1 And it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of

Artaxerxes the king, that wine was before him: and I took up the wine,

and gave it unto the king. Now I had not been beforetime sad in his

presence.

2:2 Wherefore the king said unto me, Why is thy countenance sad,

seeing thou art not sick? this is nothing else but sorrow of heart.

Then I was very sore afraid, 2:3 And said unto the king, Let the king

live for ever: why should not my countenance be sad, when the city,

the place of my fathers' sepulchres, lieth waste, and the gates

thereof are consumed with fire? 2:4 Then the king said unto me, For

what dost thou make request? So I prayed to the God of heaven.

2:5 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy

servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me

unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build

it.

2:6 And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For

how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it

pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.

2:7 Moreover I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters

be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may convey me

over till I come into Judah; 2:8 And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of

the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the

gates of the palace which appertained to the house, and for the wall

of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king

granted me, according to the good hand of my God upon me.

2:9 Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the

king's letters. Now the king had sent captains of the army and

horsemen with me.

2:10 When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the

Ammonite, heard of it, it grieved them exceedingly that there was come

a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel.

2:11 So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days.

2:12 And I arose in the night, I and some few men with me; neither

told I any man what my God had put in my heart to do at Jerusalem:

neither was there any beast with me, save the beast that I rode upon.

2:13 And I went out by night by the gate of the valley, even before

the dragon well, and to the dung port, and viewed the walls of

Jerusalem, which were broken down, and the gates thereof were consumed

with fire.

2:14 Then I went on to the gate of the fountain, and to the king's

pool: but there was no place for the beast that was under me to pass.

2:15 Then went I up in the night by the brook, and viewed the wall,

and turned back, and entered by the gate of the valley, and so

returned.

2:16 And the rulers knew not whither I went, or what I did; neither

had I as yet told it to the Jews, nor to the priests, nor to the

nobles, nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that did the work.

2:17 Then said I unto them, Ye see the distress that we are in, how

Jerusalem lieth waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire:

come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a

reproach.

2:18 Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as

also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let

us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good

work.

2:19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the

Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian, heard it, they laughed us to scorn,

and despised us, and said, What is this thing that ye do? will ye

rebel against the king? 2:20 Then answered I them, and said unto

them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants

will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial,

in Jerusalem.

3:1 Then Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the

priests, and they builded the sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set

up the doors of it; even unto the tower of Meah they sanctified it,

unto the tower of Hananeel.

3:2 And next unto him builded the men of Jericho. And next to them

builded Zaccur the son of Imri.

3:3 But the fish gate did the sons of Hassenaah build, who also laid

the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof,

and the bars thereof.

3:4 And next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of

Koz. And next unto them repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah, the

son of Meshezabeel. And next unto them repaired Zadok the son of

Baana.

3:5 And next unto them the Tekoites repaired; but their nobles put not

their necks to the work of their LORD.

3:6 Moreover the old gate repaired Jehoiada the son of Paseah, and

Meshullam the son of Besodeiah; they laid the beams thereof, and set

up the doors thereof, and the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

3:7 And next unto them repaired Melatiah the Gibeonite, and Jadon the

Meronothite, the men of Gibeon, and of Mizpah, unto the throne of the

governor on this side the river.

3:8 Next unto him repaired Uzziel the son of Harhaiah, of the

goldsmiths.

Next unto him also repaired Hananiah the son of one of the

apothecaries, and they fortified Jerusalem unto the broad wall.

3:9 And next unto them repaired Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ruler of

the half part of Jerusalem.

3:10 And next unto them repaired Jedaiah the son of Harumaph, even

over against his house. And next unto him repaired Hattush the son of

Hashabniah.

3:11 Malchijah the son of Harim, and Hashub the son of Pahathmoab,

repaired the other piece, and the tower of the furnaces.

3:12 And next unto him repaired Shallum the son of Halohesh, the ruler

of the half part of Jerusalem, he and his daughters.

3:13 The valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of Zanoah;

they built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and

the bars thereof, and a thousand cubits on the wall unto the dung

gate.

3:14 But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the son of Rechab, the ruler

of part of Bethhaccerem; he built it, and set up the doors thereof,

the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

3:15 But the gate of the fountain repaired Shallun the son of

Colhozeh, the ruler of part of Mizpah; he built it, and covered it,

and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof,

and the wall of the pool of Siloah by the king's garden, and unto the

stairs that go down from the city of David.

3:16 After him repaired Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ruler of the

half part of Bethzur, unto the place over against the sepulchres of

David, and to the pool that was made, and unto the house of the

mighty.

3:17 After him repaired the Levites, Rehum the son of Bani. Next unto

him repaired Hashabiah, the ruler of the half part of Keilah, in his

part.

3:18 After him repaired their brethren, Bavai the son of Henadad, the

ruler of the half part of Keilah.

3:19 And next to him repaired Ezer the son of Jeshua, the ruler of

Mizpah, another piece over against the going up to the armoury at the

turning of the wall.

3:20 After him Baruch the son of Zabbai earnestly repaired the other

piece, from the turning of the wall unto the door of the house of

Eliashib the high priest.

3:21 After him repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of Koz

another piece, from the door of the house of Eliashib even to the end

of the house of Eliashib.

3:22 And after him repaired the priests, the men of the plain.

3:23 After him repaired Benjamin and Hashub over against their house.

After him repaired Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah by

his house.

3:24 After him repaired Binnui the son of Henadad another piece, from

the house of Azariah unto the turning of the wall, even unto the

corner.

3:25 Palal the son of Uzai, over against the turning of the wall, and

the tower which lieth out from the king's high house, that was by the

court of the prison. After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh.

3:26 Moreover the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel, unto the place over

against the water gate toward the east, and the tower that lieth out.

3:27 After them the Tekoites repaired another piece, over against the

great tower that lieth out, even unto the wall of Ophel.

3:28 From above the horse gate repaired the priests, every one over

against his house.

3:29 After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer over against his

house.

After him repaired also Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of

the east gate.

3:30 After him repaired Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun the

sixth son of Zalaph, another piece. After him repaired Meshullam the

son of Berechiah over against his chamber.

3:31 After him repaired Malchiah the goldsmith's son unto the place of

the Nethinims, and of the merchants, over against the gate Miphkad,

and to the going up of the corner.

3:32 And between the going up of the corner unto the sheep gate

repaired the goldsmiths and the merchants.

4:1 But it came to pass, that when Sanballat heard that we builded the

wall, he was wroth, and took great indignation, and mocked the Jews.

4:2 And he spake before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and

said, What do these feeble Jews? will they fortify themselves? will

they sacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they revive the

stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned? 4:3 Now

Tobiah the Ammonite was by him, and he said, Even that which they

build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall.

4:4 Hear, O our God; for we are despised: and turn their reproach upon

their own head, and give them for a prey in the land of captivity: 4:5

And cover not their iniquity, and let not their sin be blotted out

from before thee: for they have provoked thee to anger before the

builders.

4:6 So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto

the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work.

4:7 But it came to pass, that when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the

Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls

of Jerusalem were made up, and that the breaches began to be stopped,

then they were very wroth, 4:8 And conspired all of them together to

come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it.

4:9 Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch

against them day and night, because of them.

4:10 And Judah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is

decayed, and there is much rubbish; so that we are not able to build

the wall.

4:11 And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till

we come in the midst among them, and slay them, and cause the work to

cease.

4:12 And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came,

they said unto us ten times, From all places whence ye shall return

unto us they will be upon you.

4:13 Therefore set I in the lower places behind the wall, and on the

higher places, I even set the people after their families with their

swords, their spears, and their bows.

4:14 And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the

rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not ye afraid of them:

remember the LORD, which is great and terrible, and fight for your

brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses.

4:15 And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known

unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned

all of us to the wall, every one unto his work.

4:16 And it came to pass from that time forth, that the half of my

servants wrought in the work, and the other half of them held both the

spears, the shields, and the bows, and the habergeons; and the rulers

were behind all the house of Judah.

4:17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with

those that laded, every one with one of his hands wrought in the work,

and with the other hand held a weapon.

4:18 For the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and

so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet was by me.

4:19 And I said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of

the people, The work is great and large, and we are separated upon the

wall, one far from another.

4:20 In what place therefore ye hear the sound of the trumpet, resort

ye thither unto us: our God shall fight for us.

4:21 So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears from

the rising of the morning till the stars appeared.

4:22 Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let every one

with his servant lodge within Jerusalem, that in the night they may be

a guard to us, and labour on the day.

4:23 So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my servants, nor the men of

the guard which followed me, none of us put off our clothes, saving

that every one put them off for washing.

5:1 And there was a great cry of the people and of their wives against

their brethren the Jews.

5:2 For there were that said, We, our sons, and our daughters, are

many: therefore we take up corn for them, that we may eat, and live.

5:3 Some also there were that said, We have mortgaged our lands,

vineyards, and houses, that we might buy corn, because of the dearth.

5:4 There were also that said, We have borrowed money for the king's

tribute, and that upon our lands and vineyards.

5:5 Yet now our flesh is as the flesh of our brethren, our children as

their children: and, lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our

daughters to be servants, and some of our daughters are brought unto

bondage already: neither is it in our power to redeem them; for other

men have our lands and vineyards.

5:6 And I was very angry when I heard their cry and these words.

5:7 Then I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles, and the

rulers, and said unto them, Ye exact usury, every one of his brother.

And I set a great assembly against them.

5:8 And I said unto them, We after our ability have redeemed our

brethren the Jews, which were sold unto the heathen; and will ye even

sell your brethren? or shall they be sold unto us? Then held they

their peace, and found nothing to answer.

5:9 Also I said, It is not good that ye do: ought ye not to walk in

the fear of our God because of the reproach of the heathen our

enemies? 5:10 I likewise, and my brethren, and my servants, might

exact of them money and corn: I pray you, let us leave off this usury.

5:11 Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their

vineyards, their oliveyards, and their houses, also the hundredth part

of the money, and of the corn, the wine, and the oil, that ye exact of

them.

5:12 Then said they, We will restore them, and will require nothing of

them; so will we do as thou sayest. Then I called the priests, and

took an oath of them, that they should do according to this promise.

5:13 Also I shook my lap, and said, So God shake out every man from

his house, and from his labour, that performeth not this promise, even

thus be he shaken out, and emptied. And all the congregation said,

Amen, and praised the LORD. And the people did according to this

promise.

5:14 Moreover from the time that I was appointed to be their governor

in the land of Judah, from the twentieth year even unto the two and

thirtieth year of Artaxerxes the king, that is, twelve years, I and my

brethren have not eaten the bread of the governor.

5:15 But the former governors that had been before me were chargeable

unto the people, and had taken of them bread and wine, beside forty

shekels of silver; yea, even their servants bare rule over the people:

but so did not I, because of the fear of God.

5:16 Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought we

any land: and all my servants were gathered thither unto the work.

5:17 Moreover there were at my table an hundred and fifty of the Jews

and rulers, beside those that came unto us from among the heathen that

are about us.

5:18 Now that which was prepared for me daily was one ox and six

choice sheep; also fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days

store of all sorts of wine: yet for all this required not I the bread

of the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this people.

5:19 Think upon me, my God, for good, according to all that I have

done for this people.

6:1 Now it came to pass when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the

Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that I had builded the

wall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that time

I had not set up the doors upon the gates;) 6:2 That Sanballat and

Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of

the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief.

6:3 And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work,

so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave

it, and come down to you? 6:4 Yet they sent unto me four times after

this sort; and I answered them after the same manner.

6:5 Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth

time with an open letter in his hand; 6:6 Wherein was written, It is

reported among the heathen, and Gashmu saith it, that thou and the

Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou

mayest be their king, according to these words.

6:7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at

Jerusalem, saying, There is a king in Judah: and now shall it be

reported to the king according to these words. Come now therefore, and

let us take counsel together.

6:8 Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as

thou sayest, but thou feignest them out of thine own heart.

6:9 For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened

from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, O God, strengthen

my hands.

6:10 Afterward I came unto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah

the son of Mehetabeel, who was shut up; and he said, Let us meet

together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us shut the

doors of the temple: for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the

night will they come to slay thee.

6:11 And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that,

being as I am, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not

go in.

6:12 And, lo, I perceived that God had not sent him; but that he

pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had

hired him.

6:13 Therefore was he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and

sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report, that they

might reproach me.

6:14 My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these

their works, and on the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the

prophets, that would have put me in fear.

6:15 So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth day of the month

Elul, in fifty and two days.

6:16 And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and

all the heathen that were about us saw these things, they were much

cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was

wrought of our God.

6:17 Moreover in those days the nobles of Judah sent many letters unto

Tobiah, and the letters of Tobiah came unto them.

6:18 For there were many in Judah sworn unto him, because he was the

son in law of Shechaniah the son of Arah; and his son Johanan had

taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah.

6:19 Also they reported his good deeds before me, and uttered my words

to him. And Tobiah sent letters to put me in fear.

7:1 Now it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had set up the

doors, and the porters and the singers and the Levites were appointed,

7:2 That I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler of the

palace, charge over Jerusalem: for he was a faithful man, and feared

God above many.

7:3 And I said unto them, Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened

until the sun be hot; and while they stand by, let them shut the

doors, and bar them: and appoint watches of the inhabitants of

Jerusalem, every one in his watch, and every one to be over against

his house.

7:4 Now the city was large and great: but the people were few therein,

and the houses were not builded.

7:5 And my God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and

the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy.

And I found a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the

first, and found written therein, 7:6 These are the children of the

province, that went up out of the captivity, of those that had been

carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried

away, and came again to Jerusalem and to Judah, every one unto his

city; 7:7 Who came with Zerubbabel, Jeshua, Nehemiah, Azariah,

Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum,

Baanah. The number, I say, of the men of the people of Israel was

this; 7:8 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and

two.

7:9 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

7:10 The children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two.

7:11 The children of Pahathmoab, of the children of Jeshua and Joab,

two thousand and eight hundred and eighteen.

7:12 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

7:13 The children of Zattu, eight hundred forty and five.

7:14 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

7:15 The children of Binnui, six hundred forty and eight.

7:16 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight.

7:17 The children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two.

7:18 The children of Adonikam, six hundred threescore and seven.

7:19 The children of Bigvai, two thousand threescore and seven.

7:20 The children of Adin, six hundred fifty and five.

7:21 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

7:22 The children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.

7:23 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and four.

7:24 The children of Hariph, an hundred and twelve.

7:25 The children of Gibeon, ninety and five.

7:26 The men of Bethlehem and Netophah, an hundred fourscore and

eight.

7:27 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

7:28 The men of Bethazmaveth, forty and two.

7:29 The men of Kirjathjearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred

forty and three.

7:30 The men of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

7:31 The men of Michmas, an hundred and twenty and two.

7:32 The men of Bethel and Ai, an hundred twenty and three.

7:33 The men of the other Nebo, fifty and two.

7:34 The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and

four.

7:35 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

7:36 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

7:37 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and

one.

7:38 The children of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.

7:39 The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua,

nine hundred seventy and three.

7:40 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

7:41 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.

7:42 The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.

7:43 The Levites: the children of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, and of the

children of Hodevah, seventy and four.

7:44 The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight.

7:45 The porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the

children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the

children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight.

7:46 The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha,

the children of Tabbaoth, 7:47 The children of Keros, the children of

Sia, the children of Padon, 7:48 The children of Lebana, the children

of Hagaba, the children of Shalmai, 7:49 The children of Hanan, the

children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, 7:50 The children of

Reaiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, 7:51 The

children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Phaseah,

7:52 The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of

Nephishesim, 7:53 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the

children of Harhur, 7:54 The children of Bazlith, the children of

Mehida, the children of Harsha, 7:55 The children of Barkos, the

children of Sisera, the children of Tamah, 7:56 The children of

Neziah, the children of Hatipha.

7:57 The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the

children of Sophereth, the children of Perida, 7:58 The children of

Jaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel, 7:59 The

children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of

Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of Amon.

7:60 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, were

three hundred ninety and two.

7:61 And these were they which went up also from Telmelah, Telharesha,

Cherub, Addon, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's

house, nor their seed, whether they were of Israel.

7:62 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of

Nekoda, six hundred forty and two.

7:63 And of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz,

the children of Barzillai, which took one of the daughters of

Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.

7:64 These sought their register among those that were reckoned by

genealogy, but it was not found: therefore were they, as polluted, put

from the priesthood.

7:65 And the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the

most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim.

7:66 The whole congregation together was forty and two thousand three

hundred and threescore, 7:67 Beside their manservants and their

maidservants, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty

and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and

singing women.

7:68 Their horses, seven hundred thirty and six: their mules, two

hundred forty and five: 7:69 Their camels, four hundred thirty and

five: six thousand seven hundred and twenty asses.

7:70 And some of the chief of the fathers gave unto the work. The

Tirshatha gave to the treasure a thousand drams of gold, fifty basons,

five hundred and thirty priests' garments.

7:71 And some of the chief of the fathers gave to the treasure of the

work twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand and two hundred

pound of silver.

7:72 And that which the rest of the people gave was twenty thousand

drams of gold, and two thousand pound of silver, and threescore and

seven priests' garments.

7:73 So the priests, and the Levites, and the porters, and the

singers, and some of the people, and the Nethinims, and all Israel,

dwelt in their cities; and when the seventh month came, the children

of Israel were in their cities.

8:1 And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into

the street that was before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra

the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had

commanded to Israel.

8:2 And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both

of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the

first day of the seventh month.

8:3 And he read therein before the street that was before the water

gate from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and

those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were

attentive unto the book of the law.

8:4 And Ezra the scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had

made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and

Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and

on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and

Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam.

8:5 And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he

was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood

up: 8:6 And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people

answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed

their heads, and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

8:7 Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai,

Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the

Levites, caused the people to understand the law: and the people stood

in their place.

8:8 So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave

the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

8:9 And Nehemiah, which is the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the

scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the

people, This day is holy unto the LORD your God; mourn not, nor weep.

For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.

8:10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the

sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for

this day is holy unto our LORD: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of

the LORD is your strength.

8:11 So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace,

for the day is holy; neither be ye grieved.

8:12 And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to

send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood

the words that were declared unto them.

8:13 And on the second day were gathered together the chief of the

fathers of all the people, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra the

scribe, even to understand the words of the law.

8:14 And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded by

Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast

of the seventh month: 8:15 And that they should publish and proclaim

in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, Go forth unto the

mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle

branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make

booths, as it is written.

8:16 So the people went forth, and brought them, and made themselves

booths, every one upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and

in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the water

gate, and in the street of the gate of Ephraim.

8:17 And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the

captivity made booths, and sat under the booths: for since the days of

Jeshua the son of Nun unto that day had not the children of Israel

done so. And there was very great gladness.

8:18 Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in

the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on

the eighth day was a solemn assembly, according unto the manner.

9:1 Now in the twenty and fourth day of this month the children of

Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth

upon them.

9:2 And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all strangers,

and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their

fathers.

9:3 And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law

of the LORD their God one fourth part of the day; and another fourth

part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.

9:4 Then stood up upon the stairs, of the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani,

Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, and Chenani, and cried

with a loud voice unto the LORD their God.

9:5 Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah,

Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said, Stand up and bless

the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name,

which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

9:6 Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven

of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are

therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them

all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.

9:7 Thou art the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram, and broughtest

him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of

Abraham; 9:8 And foundest his heart faithful before thee, and madest a

covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites,

the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the

Girgashites, to give it, I say, to his seed, and hast performed thy

words; for thou art righteous: 9:9 And didst see the affliction of our

fathers in Egypt, and heardest their cry by the Red sea; 9:10 And

shewedst signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and

on all the people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt

proudly against them. So didst thou get thee a name, as it is this

day.

9:11 And thou didst divide the sea before them, so that they went

through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their persecutors

thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the mighty waters.

9:12 Moreover thou leddest them in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in

the night by a pillar of fire, to give them light in the way wherein

they should go.

9:13 Thou camest down also upon mount Sinai, and spakest with them

from heaven, and gavest them right judgments, and true laws, good

statutes and commandments: 9:14 And madest known unto them thy holy

sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes, and laws, by the

hand of Moses thy servant: 9:15 And gavest them bread from heaven for

their hunger, and broughtest forth water for them out of the rock for

their thirst, and promisedst them that they should go in to possess

the land which thou hadst sworn to give them.

9:16 But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks,

and hearkened not to thy commandments, 9:17 And refused to obey,

neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but

hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to

return to their bondage: but thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious

and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest

them not.

9:18 Yea, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This is thy

God that brought thee up out of Egypt, and had wrought great

provocations; 9:19 Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them

not in the wilderness: the pillar of the cloud departed not from them

by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night,

to shew them light, and the way wherein they should go.

9:20 Thou gavest also thy good spirit to instruct them, and

withheldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for

their thirst.

9:21 Yea, forty years didst thou sustain them in the wilderness, so

that they lacked nothing; their clothes waxed not old, and their feet

swelled not.

9:22 Moreover thou gavest them kingdoms and nations, and didst divide

them into corners: so they possessed the land of Sihon, and the land

of the king of Heshbon, and the land of Og king of Bashan.

9:23 Their children also multipliedst thou as the stars of heaven, and

broughtest them into the land, concerning which thou hadst promised to

their fathers, that they should go in to possess it.

9:24 So the children went in and possessed the land, and thou

subduedst before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and

gavest them into their hands, with their kings, and the people of the

land, that they might do with them as they would.

9:25 And they took strong cities, and a fat land, and possessed houses

full of all goods, wells digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and fruit

trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat,

and delighted themselves in thy great goodness.

9:26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee,

and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy prophets which

testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great

provocations.

9:27 Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies,

who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto

thee, thou heardest them from heaven; and according to thy manifold

mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of

their enemies.

9:28 But after they had rest, they did evil again before thee:

therefore leftest thou them in the land of their enemies, so that they

had the dominion over them: yet when they returned, and cried unto

thee, thou heardest them from heaven; and many times didst thou

deliver them according to thy mercies; 9:29 And testifiedst against

them, that thou mightest bring them again unto thy law: yet they dealt

proudly, and hearkened not unto thy commandments, but sinned against

thy judgments, (which if a man do, he shall live in them;) and

withdrew the shoulder, and hardened their neck, and would not hear.

9:30 Yet many years didst thou forbear them, and testifiedst against

them by thy spirit in thy prophets: yet would they not give ear:

therefore gavest thou them into the hand of the people of the lands.

9:31 Nevertheless for thy great mercies' sake thou didst not utterly

consume them, nor forsake them; for thou art a gracious and merciful

God.

9:32 Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible

God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem

little before thee, that hath come upon us, on our kings, on our

princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers,

and on all thy people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto

this day.

9:33 Howbeit thou art just in all that is brought upon us; for thou

hast done right, but we have done wickedly: 9:34 Neither have our

kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept thy law, nor

hearkened unto thy commandments and thy testimonies, wherewith thou

didst testify against them.

9:35 For they have not served thee in their kingdom, and in thy great

goodness that thou gavest them, and in the large and fat land which

thou gavest before them, neither turned they from their wicked works.

9:36 Behold, we are servants this day, and for the land that thou

gavest unto our fathers to eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof,

behold, we are servants in it: 9:37 And it yieldeth much increase unto

the kings whom thou hast set over us because of our sins: also they

have dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure,

and we are in great distress.

9:38 And because of all this we make a sure covenant, and write it;

and our princes, Levites, and priests, seal unto it.

10:1 Now those that sealed were, Nehemiah, the Tirshatha, the son of

Hachaliah, and Zidkijah, 10:2 Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah, 10:3 Pashur,

Amariah, Malchijah, 10:4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch, 10:5 Harim,

Meremoth, Obadiah, 10:6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch, 10:7 Meshullam,

Abijah, Mijamin, 10:8 Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these were the

priests.

10:9 And the Levites: both Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the

sons of Henadad, Kadmiel; 10:10 And their brethren, Shebaniah,

Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan, 10:11 Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah, 10:12

Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah, 10:13 Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.

10:14 The chief of the people; Parosh, Pahathmoab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,

10:15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai, 10:16 Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin, 10:17 Ater,

Hizkijah, Azzur, 10:18 Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai, 10:19 Hariph, Anathoth,

Nebai, 10:20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir, 10:21 Meshezabeel, Zadok,

Jaddua, 10:22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah, 10:23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,

10:24 Hallohesh, Pileha, Shobek, 10:25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,

10:26 And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan, 10:27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.

10:28 And the rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the

porters, the singers, the Nethinims, and all they that had separated

themselves from the people of the lands unto the law of God, their

wives, their sons, and their daughters, every one having knowledge,

and having understanding; 10:29 They clave to their brethren, their

nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an oath, to walk in God's

law, which was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and

do all the commandments of the LORD our Lord, and his judgments and

his statutes; 10:30 And that we would not give our daughters unto the

people of the land, not take their daughters for our sons: 10:31 And

if the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the sabbath

day to sell, that we would not buy it of them on the sabbath, or on

the holy day: and that we would leave the seventh year, and the

exaction of every debt.

10:32 Also we made ordinances for us, to charge ourselves yearly with

the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God;

10:33 For the shewbread, and for the continual meat offering, and for

the continual burnt offering, of the sabbaths, of the new moons, for

the set feasts, and for the holy things, and for the sin offerings to

make an atonement for Israel, and for all the work of the house of our

God.

10:34 And we cast the lots among the priests, the Levites, and the

people, for the wood offering, to bring it into the house of our God,

after the houses of our fathers, at times appointed year by year, to

burn upon the altar of the LORD our God, as it is written in the law:

10:35 And to bring the firstfruits of our ground, and the firstfruits

of all fruit of all trees, year by year, unto the house of the LORD:

10:36 Also the firstborn of our sons, and of our cattle, as it is

written in the law, and the firstlings of our herds and of our flocks,

to bring to the house of our God, unto the priests that minister in

the house of our God: 10:37 And that we should bring the firstfruits

of our dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees,

of wine and of oil, unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of

our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites, that the same

Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.

10:38 And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when

the Levites take tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of

the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the

treasure house.

10:39 For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring

the offering of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil, unto the

chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that

minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake

the house of our God.

11:1 And the rulers of the people dwelt at Jerusalem: the rest of the

people also cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in Jerusalem the

holy city, and nine parts to dwell in other cities.

11:2 And the people blessed all the men, that willingly offered

themselves to dwell at Jerusalem.

11:3 Now these are the chief of the province that dwelt in Jerusalem:

but in the cities of Judah dwelt every one in his possession in their

cities, to wit, Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the

Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants.

11:4 And at Jerusalem dwelt certain of the children of Judah, and of

the children of Benjamin. Of the children of Judah; Athaiah the son of

Uzziah, the son of Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son of

Shephatiah, the son of Mahalaleel, of the children of Perez; 11:5 And

Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Colhozeh, the son of Hazaiah,

the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son

of Shiloni.

11:6 All the sons of Perez that dwelt at Jerusalem were four hundred

threescore and eight valiant men.

11:7 And these are the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam,

the son of Joed, the son of Pedaiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of

Maaseiah, the son of Ithiel, the son of Jesaiah.

11:8 And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine hundred twenty and eight.

11:9 And Joel the son of Zichri was their overseer: and Judah the son

of Senuah was second over the city.

11:10 Of the priests: Jedaiah the son of Joiarib, Jachin.

11:11 Seraiah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of

Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, was the ruler of the

house of God.

11:12 And their brethren that did the work of the house were eight

hundred twenty and two: and Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of

Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the son of Pashur,

the son of Malchiah.

11:13 And his brethren, chief of the fathers, two hundred forty and

two: and Amashai the son of Azareel, the son of Ahasai, the son of

Meshillemoth, the son of Immer, 11:14 And their brethren, mighty men

of valour, an hundred twenty and eight: and their overseer was

Zabdiel, the son of one of the great men.

11:15 Also of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hashub, the son of

Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni; 11:16 And Shabbethai

and Jozabad, of the chief of the Levites, had the oversight of the

outward business of the house of God.

11:17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of

Asaph, was the principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer: and

Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the son of Shammua,

the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun.

11:18 All the Levites in the holy city were two hundred fourscore and

four.

11:19 Moreover the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that

kept the gates, were an hundred seventy and two.

11:20 And the residue of Israel, of the priests, and the Levites, were

in all the cities of Judah, every one in his inheritance.

11:21 But the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel: and Ziha and Gispa were over

the Nethinims.

11:22 The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem was Uzzi the son

of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha.

Of the sons of Asaph, the singers were over the business of the house

of God.

11:23 For it was the king's commandment concerning them, that a

certain portion should be for the singers, due for every day.

11:24 And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabeel, of the children of Zerah

the son of Judah, was at the king's hand in all matters concerning the

people.

11:25 And for the villages, with their fields, some of the children of

Judah dwelt at Kirjatharba, and in the villages thereof, and at Dibon,

and in the villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel, and in the villages

thereof, 11:26 And at Jeshua, and at Moladah, and at Bethphelet, 11:27

And at Hazarshual, and at Beersheba, and in the villages thereof,

11:28 And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and in the villages thereof,

11:29 And at Enrimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth, 11:30 Zanoah,

Adullam, and in their villages, at Lachish, and the fields thereof, at

Azekah, and in the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beersheba

unto the valley of Hinnom.

11:31 The children also of Benjamin from Geba dwelt at Michmash, and

Aija, and Bethel, and in their villages.

11:32 And at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah, 11:33 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim,

11:34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat, 11:35 Lod, and Ono, the valley of

craftsmen.

11:36 And of the Levites were divisions in Judah, and in Benjamin.

12:1 Now these are the priests and the Levites that went up with

Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra,

12:2 Amariah, Malluch, Hattush, 12:3 Shechaniah, Rehum, Meremoth, 12:4

Iddo, Ginnetho, Abijah, 12:5 Miamin, Maadiah, Bilgah, 12:6 Shemaiah,

and Joiarib, Jedaiah, 12:7 Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Jedaiah. These were

the chief of the priests and of their brethren in the days of Jeshua.

12:8 Moreover the Levites: Jeshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah,

and Mattaniah, which was over the thanksgiving, he and his brethren.

12:9 Also Bakbukiah and Unni, their brethren, were over against them

in the watches.

12:10 And Jeshua begat Joiakim, Joiakim also begat Eliashib, and

Eliashib begat Joiada, 12:11 And Joiada begat Jonathan, and Jonathan

begat Jaddua.

12:12 And in the days of Joiakim were priests, the chief of the

fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah; of Jeremiah, Hananiah; 12:13 Of Ezra,

Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehohanan; 12:14 Of Melicu, Jonathan; of

Shebaniah, Joseph; 12:15 Of Harim, Adna; of Meraioth, Helkai; 12:16 Of

Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Meshullam; 12:17 Of Abijah, Zichri; of

Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai: 12:18 Of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah,

Jehonathan; 12:19 And of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah, Uzzi; 12:20 Of

Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber; 12:21 Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah; of

Jedaiah, Nethaneel.

12:22 The Levites in the days of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and

Jaddua, were recorded chief of the fathers: also the priests, to the

reign of Darius the Persian.

12:23 The sons of Levi, the chief of the fathers, were written in the

book of the chronicles, even until the days of Johanan the son of

Eliashib.

12:24 And the chief of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua

the son of Kadmiel, with their brethren over against them, to praise

and to give thanks, according to the commandment of David the man of

God, ward over against ward.

12:25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub,

were porters keeping the ward at the thresholds of the gates.

12:26 These were in the days of Joiakim the son of Jeshua, the son of

Jozadak, and in the days of Nehemiah the governor, and of Ezra the

priest, the scribe.

12:27 And at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem they sought the

Levites out of all their places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keep

the dedication with gladness, both with thanksgivings, and with

singing, with cymbals, psalteries, and with harps.

12:28 And the sons of the singers gathered themselves together, both

out of the plain country round about Jerusalem, and from the villages

of Netophathi; 12:29 Also from the house of Gilgal, and out of the

fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the singers had builded them villages

round about Jerusalem.

12:30 And the priests and the Levites purified themselves, and

purified the people, and the gates, and the wall.

12:31 Then I brought up the princes of Judah upon the wall, and

appointed two great companies of them that gave thanks, whereof one

went on the right hand upon the wall toward the dung gate: 12:32 And

after them went Hoshaiah, and half of the princes of Judah, 12:33 And

Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam, 12:34 Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah,

and Jeremiah, 12:35 And certain of the priests' sons with trumpets;

namely, Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of

Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph:

12:36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai,

Nethaneel, and Judah, Hanani, with the musical instruments of David

the man of God, and Ezra the scribe before them.

12:37 And at the fountain gate, which was over against them, they went

up by the stairs of the city of David, at the going up of the wall,

above the house of David, even unto the water gate eastward.

12:38 And the other company of them that gave thanks went over against

them, and I after them, and the half of the people upon the wall, from

beyond the tower of the furnaces even unto the broad wall; 12:39 And

from above the gate of Ephraim, and above the old gate, and above the

fish gate, and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah, even unto

the sheep gate: and they stood still in the prison gate.

12:40 So stood the two companies of them that gave thanks in the house

of God, and I, and the half of the rulers with me: 12:41 And the

priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah,

and Hananiah, with trumpets; 12:42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and

Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer.

And the singers sang loud, with Jezrahiah their overseer.

12:43 Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and rejoiced: for

God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the

children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar

off.

12:44 And at that time were some appointed over the chambers for the

treasures, for the offerings, for the firstfruits, and for the tithes,

to gather into them out of the fields of the cities the portions of

the law for the priests and Levites: for Judah rejoiced for the

priests and for the Levites that waited.

12:45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God,

and the ward of the purification, according to the commandment of

David, and of Solomon his son.

12:46 For in the days of David and Asaph of old there were chief of

the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God.

12:47 And all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of

Nehemiah, gave the portions of the singers and the porters, every day

his portion: and they sanctified holy things unto the Levites; and the

Levites sanctified them unto the children of Aaron.

13:1 On that day they read in the book of Moses in the audience of the

people; and therein was found written, that the Ammonite and the

Moabite should not come into the congregation of God for ever; 13:2

Because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water,

but hired Balaam against them, that he should curse them: howbeit our

God turned the curse into a blessing.

13:3 Now it came to pass, when they had heard the law, that they

separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.

13:4 And before this, Eliashib the priest, having the oversight of the

chamber of the house of our God, was allied unto Tobiah: 13:5 And he

had prepared for him a great chamber, where aforetime they laid the

meat offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of

the corn, the new wine, and the oil, which was commanded to be given

to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters; and the offerings of

the priests.

13:6 But in all this time was not I at Jerusalem: for in the two and

thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon came I unto the king, and

after certain days obtained I leave of the king: 13:7 And I came to

Jerusalem, and understood of the evil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in

preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God.

13:8 And it grieved me sore: therefore I cast forth all the household

stuff to Tobiah out of the chamber.

13:9 Then I commanded, and they cleansed the chambers: and thither

brought I again the vessels of the house of God, with the meat

offering and the frankincense.

13:10 And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been

given them: for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were

fled every one to his field.

13:11 Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of

God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and set them in their

place.

13:12 Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine

and the oil unto the treasuries.

13:13 And I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest,

and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and next to them

was Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah: for they were

counted faithful, and their office was to distribute unto their

brethren.

13:14 Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my good

deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and for the offices

thereof.

13:15 In those days saw I in Judah some treading wine presses on the

sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine,

grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they brought into

Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day

wherein they sold victuals.

13:16 There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and

all manner of ware, and sold on the sabbath unto the children of

Judah, and in Jerusalem.

13:17 Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them,

What evil thing is this that ye do, and profane the sabbath day?

13:18 Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this

evil upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel

by profaning the sabbath.

13:19 And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to

be dark before the sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut,

and charged that they should not be opened till after the sabbath: and

some of my servants set I at the gates, that there should no burden be

brought in on the sabbath day.

13:20 So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without

Jerusalem once or twice.

13:21 Then I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge ye

about the wall? if ye do so again, I will lay hands on you. From that

time forth came they no more on the sabbath.

13:22 And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves,

and that they should come and keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath

day.

Remember me, O my God, concerning this also, and spare me according to

the greatness of thy mercy.

13:23 In those days also saw I Jews that had married wives of Ashdod,

of Ammon, and of Moab: 13:24 And their children spake half in the

speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the Jews' language, but

according to the language of each people.

13:25 And I contended with them, and cursed them, and smote certain of

them, and plucked off their hair, and made them swear by God, saying,

Ye shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their

daughters unto your sons, or for yourselves.

13:26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? yet among

many nations was there no king like him, who was beloved of his God,

and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did

outlandish women cause to sin.

13:27 Shall we then hearken unto you to do all this great evil, to

transgress against our God in marrying strange wives? 13:28 And one

of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, was son in

law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me.

13:29 Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the

priesthood, and the covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites.

13:30 Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and appointed the wards

of the priests and the Levites, every one in his business; 13:31 And

for the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the firstfruits.

Remember me, O my God, for good.

The Book of Esther

1:1 Now it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus, (this is Ahasuerus

which reigned, from India even unto Ethiopia, over an hundred and

seven and twenty provinces:) 1:2 That in those days, when the king

Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which was in Shushan the

palace, 1:3 In the third year of his reign, he made a feast unto all

his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, the

nobles and princes of the provinces, being before him: 1:4 When he

shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his

excellent majesty many days, even an hundred and fourscore days.

1:5 And when these days were expired, the king made a feast unto all

the people that were present in Shushan the palace, both unto great

and small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's

palace; 1:6 Where were white, green, and blue, hangings, fastened with

cords of fine linen and purple to silver rings and pillars of marble:

the beds were of gold and silver, upon a pavement of red, and blue,

and white, and black, marble.

1:7 And they gave them drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being

diverse one from another,) and royal wine in abundance, according to

the state of the king.

1:8 And the drinking was according to the law; none did compel: for so

the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they

should do according to every man's pleasure.

1:9 Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women in the royal

house which belonged to king Ahasuerus.

1:10 On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with

wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha,

Zethar, and Carcas, the seven chamberlains that served in the presence

of Ahasuerus the king, 1:11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king

with the crown royal, to shew the people and the princes her beauty:

for she was fair to look on.

1:12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by

his chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger

burned in him.

1:13 Then the king said to the wise men, which knew the times, (for so

was the king's manner toward all that knew law and judgment: 1:14 And

the next unto him was Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres,

Marsena, and Memucan, the seven princes of Persia and Media, which saw

the king's face, and which sat the first in the kingdom;) 1:15 What

shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath

not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the

chamberlains? 1:16 And Memucan answered before the king and the

princes, Vashti the queen hath not done wrong to the king only, but

also to all the princes, and to all the people that are in all the

provinces of the king Ahasuerus.

1:17 For this deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so

that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be

reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought

in before him, but she came not.

1:18 Likewise shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day unto

all the king's princes, which have heard of the deed of the queen.

Thus shall there arise too much contempt and wrath.

1:19 If it please the king, let there go a royal commandment from him,

and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes,

that it be not altered, That Vashti come no more before king

Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto another that is

better than she.

1:20 And when the king's decree which he shall make shall be published

throughout all his empire, (for it is great,) all the wives shall give

to their husbands honour, both to great and small.

1:21 And the saying pleased the king and the princes; and the king did

according to the word of Memucan: 1:22 For he sent letters into all

the king's provinces, into every province according to the writing

thereof, and to every people after their language, that every man

should bear rule in his own house, and that it should be published

according to the language of every people.

2:1 After these things, when the wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased,

he remembered Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed

against her.

2:2 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, Let there

be fair young virgins sought for the king: 2:3 And let the king

appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may

gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace, to

the house of the women, unto the custody of Hege the king's

chamberlain, keeper of the women; and let their things for

purification be given them: 2:4 And let the maiden which pleaseth the

king be queen instead of Vashti.

And the thing pleased the king; and he did so.

2:5 Now in Shushan the palace there was a certain Jew, whose name was

Mordecai, the son of Jair, the son of Shimei, the son of Kish, a

Benjamite; 2:6 Who had been carried away from Jerusalem with the

captivity which had been carried away with Jeconiah king of Judah,

whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away.

2:7 And he brought up Hadassah, that is, Esther, his uncle's daughter:

for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid was fair and

beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her father and mother were dead, took

for his own daughter.

2:8 So it came to pass, when the king's commandment and his decree was

heard, and when many maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the

palace, to the custody of Hegai, that Esther was brought also unto the

king's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper of the women.

2:9 And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him; and

he speedily gave her her things for purification, with such things as

belonged to her, and seven maidens, which were meet to be given her,

out of the king's house: and he preferred her and her maids unto the

best place of the house of the women.

2:10 Esther had not shewed her people nor her kindred: for Mordecai

had charged her that she should not shew it.

2:11 And Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's

house, to know how Esther did, and what should become of her.

2:12 Now when every maid's turn was come to go in to king Ahasuerus,

after that she had been twelve months, according to the manner of the

women, (for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, to

wit, six months with oil of myrrh, and six months with sweet odours,

and with other things for the purifying of the women;) 2:13 Then thus

came every maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her

to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.

2:14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the

second house of the women, to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's

chamberlain, which kept the concubines: she came in unto the king no

more, except the king delighted in her, and that she were called by

name.

2:15 Now when the turn of Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of

Mordecai, who had taken her for his daughter, was come to go in unto

the king, she required nothing but what Hegai the king's chamberlain,

the keeper of the women, appointed. And Esther obtained favour in the

sight of all them that looked upon her.

2:16 So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in

the tenth month, which is the month Tebeth, in the seventh year of his

reign.

2:17 And the king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained

grace and favour in his sight more than all the virgins; so that he

set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of

Vashti.

2:18 Then the king made a great feast unto all his princes and his

servants, even Esther's feast; and he made a release to the provinces,

and gave gifts, according to the state of the king.

2:19 And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then

Mordecai sat in the king's gate.

2:20 Esther had not yet shewed her kindred nor her people; as Mordecai

had charged her: for Esther did the commandment of Mordecai, like as

when she was brought up with him.

2:21 In those days, while Mordecai sat in the king's gate, two of the

king's chamberlains, Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept the door,

were wroth, and sought to lay hands on the king Ahasuerus.

2:22 And the thing was known to Mordecai, who told it unto Esther the

queen; and Esther certified the king thereof in Mordecai's name.

2:23 And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out;

therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the

book of the chronicles before the king.

3:1 After these things did king Ahasuerus promote Haman the son of

Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat above all

the princes that were with him.

3:2 And all the king's servants, that were in the king's gate, bowed,

and reverenced Haman: for the king had so commanded concerning him.

But Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence.

3:3 Then the king's servants, which were in the king's gate, said unto

Mordecai, Why transgressest thou the king's commandment? 3:4 Now it

came to pass, when they spake daily unto him, and he hearkened not

unto them, that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters

would stand: for he had told them that he was a Jew.

3:5 And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence,

then was Haman full of wrath.

3:6 And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had

shewed him the people of Mordecai: wherefore Haman sought to destroy

all the Jews that were throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, even

the people of Mordecai.

3:7 In the first month, that is, the month Nisan, in the twelfth year

of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman from

day to day, and from month to month, to the twelfth month, that is,

the month Adar.

3:8 And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, There is a certain people

scattered abroad and dispersed among the people in all the provinces

of thy kingdom; and their laws are diverse from all people; neither

keep they the king's laws: therefore it is not for the king's profit

to suffer them.

3:9 If it please the king, let it be written that they may be

destroyed: and I will pay ten thousand talents of silver to the hands

of those that have the charge of the business, to bring it into the

king's treasuries.

3:10 And the king took his ring from his hand, and gave it unto Haman

the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the Jews' enemy.

3:11 And the king said unto Haman, The silver is given to thee, the

people also, to do with them as it seemeth good to thee.

3:12 Then were the king's scribes called on the thirteenth day of the

first month, and there was written according to all that Haman had

commanded unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors that were

over every province, and to the rulers of every people of every

province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after

their language; in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and

sealed with the king's ring.

3:13 And the letters were sent by posts into all the king's provinces,

to destroy, to kill, and to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and

old, little children and women, in one day, even upon the thirteenth

day of the twelfth month, which is the month Adar, and to take the

spoil of them for a prey.

3:14 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every

province was published unto all people, that they should be ready

against that day.

3:15 The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and

the decree was given in Shushan the palace. And the king and Haman sat

down to drink; but the city Shushan was perplexed.

4:1 When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his

clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst

of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry; 4:2 And came even

before the king's gate: for none might enter into the king's gate

clothed with sackcloth.

4:3 And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and

his decree came, there was great mourning among the Jews, and fasting,

and weeping, and wailing; and many lay in sackcloth and ashes.

4:4 So Esther's maids and her chamberlains came and told it her. Then

was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe

Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him: but he received it

not.

4:5 Then called Esther for Hatach, one of the king's chamberlains,

whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment

to Mordecai, to know what it was, and why it was.

4:6 So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city,

which was before the king's gate.

4:7 And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of

the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's

treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.

4:8 Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was

given at Shushan to destroy them, to shew it unto Esther, and to

declare it unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the

king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him

for her people.

4:9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.

4:10 Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto

Mordecai; 4:11 All the king's servants, and the people of the king's

provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether man or women, shall come

unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, there is one

law of his to put him to death, except such to whom the king shall

hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live: but I have not been

called to come in unto the king these thirty days.

4:12 And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

4:13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself

that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.

4:14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall

there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another

place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who

knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?

4:15 Then Esther bade them return Mordecai this answer, 4:16 Go,

gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye

for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and

my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king,

which is not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish.

4:17 So Mordecai went his way, and did according to all that Esther

had commanded him.

5:1 Now it came to pass on the third day, that Esther put on her royal

apparel, and stood in the inner court of the king's house, over

against the king's house: and the king sat upon his royal throne in

the royal house, over against the gate of the house.

5:2 And it was so, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the

court, that she obtained favour in his sight: and the king held out to

Esther the golden sceptre that was in his hand. So Esther drew near,

and touched the top of the sceptre.

5:3 Then said the king unto her, What wilt thou, queen Esther? and

what is thy request? it shall be even given thee to the half of the

kingdom.

5:4 And Esther answered, If it seem good unto the king, let the king

and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him.

5:5 Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as

Esther hath said. So the king and Haman came to the banquet that

Esther had prepared.

5:6 And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What is thy

petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? even

to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.

5:7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request is; 5:8

If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the

king to grant my petition, and to perform my request, let the king and

Haman come to the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will do

to morrow as the king hath said.

5:9 Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but

when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor

moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai.

5:10 Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he

sent and called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.

5:11 And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude

of his children, and all the things wherein the king had promoted him,

and how he had advanced him above the princes and servants of the

king.

5:12 Haman said moreover, Yea, Esther the queen did let no man come in

with the king unto the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and

to morrow am I invited unto her also with the king.

5:13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the

Jew sitting at the king's gate.

5:14 Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, Let a

gallows be made of fifty cubits high, and to morrow speak thou unto

the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go thou in merrily

with the king unto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman; and he

caused the gallows to be made.

6:1 On that night could not the king sleep, and he commanded to bring

the book of records of the chronicles; and they were read before the

king.

6:2 And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and

Teresh, two of the king's chamberlains, the keepers of the door, who

sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

6:3 And the king said, What honour and dignity hath been done to

Mordecai for this? Then said the king's servants that ministered unto

him, There is nothing done for him.

6:4 And the king said, Who is in the court? Now Haman was come into

the outward court of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang

Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him.

6:5 And the king's servants said unto him, Behold, Haman standeth in

the court. And the king said, Let him come in.

6:6 So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done

unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman thought in

his heart, To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to

myself? 6:7 And Haman answered the king, For the man whom the king

delighteth to honour, 6:8 Let the royal apparel be brought which the

king useth to wear, and the horse that the king rideth upon, and the

crown royal which is set upon his head: 6:9 And let this apparel and

horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble

princes, that they may array the man withal whom the king delighteth

to honour, and bring him on horseback through the street of the city,

and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the

king delighteth to honour.

6:10 Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, and take the apparel and

the horse, as thou hast said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that

sitteth at the king's gate: let nothing fail of all that thou hast

spoken.

6:11 Then took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai,

and brought him on horseback through the street of the city, and

proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be done unto the man whom the

king delighteth to honour.

6:12 And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman hasted to

his house mourning, and having his head covered.

6:13 And Haman told Zeresh his wife and all his friends every thing

that had befallen him. Then said his wise men and Zeresh his wife unto

him, If Mordecai be of the seed of the Jews, before whom thou hast

begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely

fall before him.

6:14 And while they were yet talking with him, came the king's

chamberlains, and hasted to bring Haman unto the banquet that Esther

had prepared.

7:1 So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen.

7:2 And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the

banquet of wine, What is thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be

granted thee: and what is thy request? and it shall be performed, even

to the half of the kingdom.

7:3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in

thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me

at my petition, and my people at my request: 7:4 For we are sold, I

and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we

had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue,

although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.

7:5 Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen,

Who is he, and where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so?

7:6 And Esther said, The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman.

Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen.

7:7 And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath went

into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his

life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined

against him by the king.

7:8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of

the banquet of wine; and Haman was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther

was. Then said the king, Will he force the queen also before me in the

house? As the word went out of king's mouth, they covered Haman's

face.

7:9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king,

Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for

Mordecai, who spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of

Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.

7:10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for

Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

8:1 On that day did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the

Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king;

for Esther had told what he was unto her.

8:2 And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and

gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of

Haman.

8:3 And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his

feet, and besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman

the Agagite, and his device that he had devised against the Jews.

8:4 Then the king held out the golden sceptre toward Esther. So Esther

arose, and stood before the king, 8:5 And said, If it please the king,

and if I have favour in his sight, and the thing seem right before the

king, and I be pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the

letters devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he

wrote to destroy the Jews which are in all the king's provinces: 8:6

For how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people?

or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred? 8:7 Then

the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen and to Mordecai the Jew,

Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have

hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.

8:8 Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name,

and seal it with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in

the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, may no man reverse.

8:9 Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third

month, that is, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth day

thereof; and it was written according to all that Mordecai commanded

unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of

the provinces which are from India unto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty

and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing

thereof, and unto every people after their language, and to the Jews

according to their writing, and according to their language.

8:10 And he wrote in the king Ahasuerus' name, and sealed it with the

king's ring, and sent letters by posts on horseback, and riders on

mules, camels, and young dromedaries: 8:11 Wherein the king granted

the Jews which were in every city to gather themselves together, and

to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay and to cause to perish,

all the power of the people and province that would assault them, both

little ones and women, and to take the spoil of them for a prey, 8:12

Upon one day in all the provinces of king Ahasuerus, namely, upon the

thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month Adar.

8:13 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every

province was published unto all people, and that the Jews should be

ready against that day to avenge themselves on their enemies.

8:14 So the posts that rode upon mules and camels went out, being

hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was

given at Shushan the palace.

8:15 And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king in royal

apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a

garment of fine linen and purple: and the city of Shushan rejoiced and

was glad.

8:16 The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

8:17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the

king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness,

a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became

Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.

9:1 Now in the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar, on the

thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree

drew near to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the

Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the

contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them;) 9:2 The

Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the

provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their

hurt: and no man could withstand them; for the fear of them fell upon

all people.

9:3 And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the

deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear

of Mordecai fell upon them.

9:4 For Mordecai was great in the king's house, and his fame went out

throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and

greater.

9:5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the

sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would unto

those that hated them.

9:6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred

men.

9:7 And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha, 9:8 And Poratha, and

Adalia, and Aridatha, 9:9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and

Vajezatha, 9:10 The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the enemy

of the Jews, slew they; but on the spoil laid they not their hand.

9:11 On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the

palace was brought before the king.

9:12 And the king said unto Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and

destroyed five hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of

Haman; what have they done in the rest of the king's provinces? now

what is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or what is thy

request further? and it shall be done.

9:13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the

Jews which are in Shushan to do to morrow also according unto this

day's decree, and let Haman's ten sons be hanged upon the gallows.

9:14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given

at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.

9:15 For the Jews that were in Shushan gathered themselves together on

the fourteenth day also of the month Adar, and slew three hundred men

at Shushan; but on the prey they laid not their hand.

9:16 But the other Jews that were in the king's provinces gathered

themselves together, and stood for their lives, and had rest from

their enemies, and slew of their foes seventy and five thousand, but

they laid not their hands on the prey, 9:17 On the thirteenth day of

the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and

made it a day of feasting and gladness.

9:18 But the Jews that were at Shushan assembled together on the

thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the

fifteenth day of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting

and gladness.

9:19 Therefore the Jews of the villages, that dwelt in the unwalled

towns, made the fourteenth day of the month Adar a day of gladness and

feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another.

9:20 And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the

Jews that were in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, both nigh

and far, 9:21 To stablish this among them, that they should keep the

fourteenth day of the month Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same,

yearly, 9:22 As the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies,

and the month which was turned unto them from sorrow to joy, and from

mourning into a good day: that they should make them days of feasting

and joy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the

poor.

9:23 And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai

had written unto them; 9:24 Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the

Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had devised against the Jews to

destroy them, and had cast Pur, that is, the lot, to consume them, and

to destroy them; 9:25 But when Esther came before the king, he

commanded by letters that his wicked device, which he devised against

the Jews, should return upon his own head, and that he and his sons

should be hanged on the gallows.

9:26 Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of Pur.

Therefore for all the words of this letter, and of that which they had

seen concerning this matter, and which had come unto them, 9:27 The

Jews ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all

such as joined themselves unto them, so as it should not fail, that

they would keep these two days according to their writing, and

according to their appointed time every year; 9:28 And that these days

should be remembered and kept throughout every generation, every

family, every province, and every city; and that these days of Purim

should not fail from among the Jews, nor the memorial of them perish

from their seed.

9:29 Then Esther the queen, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the

Jew, wrote with all authority, to confirm this second letter of Purim.

9:30 And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to the hundred twenty

and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, with words of peace

and truth, 9:31 To confirm these days of Purim in their times

appointed, according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had

enjoined them, and as they had decreed for themselves and for their

seed, the matters of the fastings and their cry.

9:32 And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim; and it

was written in the book.

10:1 And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and upon the

isles of the sea.

10:2 And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the

declaration of the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced

him, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings

of Media and Persia? 10:3 For Mordecai the Jew was next unto king

Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of

his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to

all his seed.

The Book of Job

1:1 There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that

man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

1:2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.

1:3 His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand

camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and

a very great household; so that this man was the greatest of all the

men of the east.

1:4 And his sons went and feasted in their houses, every one his day;

and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with

them.

1:5 And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about,

that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning,

and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all: for

Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their

hearts. Thus did Job continually.

1:6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present

themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them.

1:7 And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan

answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and

from walking up and down in it.

1:8 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job,

that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright

man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? 1:9 Then Satan

answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? 1:10 Hast

not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all

that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands,

and his substance is increased in the land.

1:11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he

will curse thee to thy face.

1:12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy

power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth

from the presence of the LORD.

1:13 And there was a day when his sons and his daughters were eating

and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house: 1:14 And there came

a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses

feeding beside them: 1:15 And the Sabeans fell upon them, and took

them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the

sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

1:16 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The

fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and

the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell

thee.

1:17 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The

Chaldeans made out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have

carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the

sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

1:18 While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy

sons and thy daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest

brother's house: 1:19 And, behold, there came a great wind from the

wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon

the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell

thee.

1:20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and

fell down upon the ground, and worshipped, 1:21 And said, Naked came I

out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD

gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

1:22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.

2:1 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present

themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present

himself before the LORD.

2:2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan

answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and

from walking up and down in it.

2:3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job,

that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright

man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth

fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to destroy

him without cause.

2:4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all

that a man hath will he give for his life.

2:5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh,

and he will curse thee to thy face.

2:6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but

save his life.

2:7 So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job

with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.

2:8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat

down among the ashes.

2:9 Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine

integrity? curse God, and die.

2:10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women

speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we

not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

2:11 Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come

upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the

Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they

had made an appointment together to come to mourn with him and to

comfort him.

2:12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not,

they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent every one his

mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.

2:13 So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven

nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that his grief

was very great.

3:1 After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

3:2 And Job spake, and said, 3:3 Let the day perish wherein I was

born, and the night in which it was said, There is a man child

conceived.

3:4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above,

neither let the light shine upon it.

3:5 Let darkness and the shadow of death stain it; let a cloud dwell

upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it.

3:6 As for that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be

joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of

the months.

3:7 Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.

3:8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up

their mourning.

3:9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for

light, but have none; neither let it see the dawning of the day: 3:10

Because it shut not up the doors of my mother's womb, nor hid sorrow

from mine eyes.

3:11 Why died I not from the womb? why did I not give up the ghost

when I came out of the belly? 3:12 Why did the knees prevent me? or

why the breasts that I should suck? 3:13 For now should I have lain

still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest,

3:14 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which build desolate

places for themselves; 3:15 Or with princes that had gold, who filled

their houses with silver: 3:16 Or as an hidden untimely birth I had

not been; as infants which never saw light.

3:17 There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at

rest.

3:18 There the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the

oppressor.

3:19 The small and great are there; and the servant is free from his

master.

3:20 Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto

the bitter in soul; 3:21 Which long for death, but it cometh not; and

dig for it more than for hid treasures; 3:22 Which rejoice

exceedingly, and are glad, when they can find the grave? 3:23 Why is

light given to a man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in?

3:24 For my sighing cometh before I eat, and my roarings are poured

out like the waters.

3:25 For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that

which I was afraid of is come unto me.

3:26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet

trouble came.

4:1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said, 4:2 If we assay to

commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved? but who can withhold himself

from speaking? 4:3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast

strengthened the weak hands.

4:4 Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast

strengthened the feeble knees.

4:5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it toucheth thee,

and thou art troubled.

4:6 Is not this thy fear, thy confidence, thy hope, and the

uprightness of thy ways? 4:7 Remember, I pray thee, who ever

perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off? 4:8

Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap

the same.

4:9 By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his nostrils

are they consumed.

4:10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and

the teeth of the young lions, are broken.

4:11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's

whelps are scattered abroad.

4:12 Now a thing was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a

little thereof.

4:13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep

falleth on men, 4:14 Fear came upon me, and trembling, which made all

my bones to shake.

4:15 Then a spirit passed before my face; the hair of my flesh stood

up: 4:16 It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an

image was before mine eyes, there was silence, and I heard a voice,

saying, 4:17 Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be

more pure than his maker? 4:18 Behold, he put no trust in his

servants; and his angels he charged with folly: 4:19 How much less in

them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust,

which are crushed before the moth? 4:20 They are destroyed from

morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding it.

4:21 Doth not their excellency which is in them go away? they die,

even without wisdom.

5:1 Call now, if there be any that will answer thee; and to which of

the saints wilt thou turn? 5:2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and

envy slayeth the silly one.

5:3 I have seen the foolish taking root: but suddenly I cursed his

habitation.

5:4 His children are far from safety, and they are crushed in the

gate, neither is there any to deliver them.

5:5 Whose harvest the hungry eateth up, and taketh it even out of the

thorns, and the robber swalloweth up their substance.

5:6 Although affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth

trouble spring out of the ground; 5:7 Yet man is born unto trouble, as

the sparks fly upward.

5:8 I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause: 5:9

Which doeth great things and unsearchable; marvellous things without

number: 5:10 Who giveth rain upon the earth, and sendeth waters upon

the fields: 5:11 To set up on high those that be low; that those which

mourn may be exalted to safety.

5:12 He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands

cannot perform their enterprise.

5:13 He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of

the froward is carried headlong.

5:14 They meet with darkness in the day time, and grope in the noonday

as in the night.

5:15 But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from

the hand of the mighty.

5:16 So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth.

5:17 Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise

not thou the chastening of the Almighty: 5:18 For he maketh sore, and

bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.

5:19 He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall

no evil touch thee.

5:20 In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the

power of the sword.

5:21 Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt

thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.

5:22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be

afraid of the beasts of the earth.

5:23 For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the

beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

5:24 And thou shalt know that thy tabernacle shall be in peace; and

thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not sin.

5:25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed shall be great, and thine

offspring as the grass of the earth.

5:26 Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of

corn cometh in in his season.

5:27 Lo this, we have searched it, so it is; hear it, and know thou it

for thy good.

6:1 But Job answered and said, 6:2 Oh that my grief were throughly

weighed, and my calamity laid in the balances together! 6:3 For now

it would be heavier than the sand of the sea: therefore my words are

swallowed up.

6:4 For the arrows of the Almighty are within me, the poison whereof

drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array

against me.

6:5 Doth the wild ass bray when he hath grass? or loweth the ox over

his fodder? 6:6 Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or

is there any taste in the white of an egg? 6:7 The things that my

soul refused to touch are as my sorrowful meat.

6:8 Oh that I might have my request; and that God would grant me the

thing that I long for! 6:9 Even that it would please God to destroy

me; that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off! 6:10 Then

should I yet have comfort; yea, I would harden myself in sorrow: let

him not spare; for I have not concealed the words of the Holy One.

6:11 What is my strength, that I should hope? and what is mine end,

that I should prolong my life? 6:12 Is my strength the strength of

stones? or is my flesh of brass? 6:13 Is not my help in me? and is

wisdom driven quite from me? 6:14 To him that is afflicted pity

should be shewed from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the

Almighty.

6:15 My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, and as the stream

of brooks they pass away; 6:16 Which are blackish by reason of the

ice, and wherein the snow is hid: 6:17 What time they wax warm, they

vanish: when it is hot, they are consumed out of their place.

6:18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they go to nothing, and

perish.

6:19 The troops of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for

them.

6:20 They were confounded because they had hoped; they came thither,

and were ashamed.

6:21 For now ye are nothing; ye see my casting down, and are afraid.

6:22 Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give a reward for me of your

substance? 6:23 Or, Deliver me from the enemy's hand? or, Redeem me

from the hand of the mighty? 6:24 Teach me, and I will hold my

tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.

6:25 How forcible are right words! but what doth your arguing reprove?

6:26 Do ye imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is

desperate, which are as wind? 6:27 Yea, ye overwhelm the fatherless,

and ye dig a pit for your friend.

6:28 Now therefore be content, look upon me; for it is evident unto

you if I lie.

6:29 Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my

righteousness is in it.

6:30 Is there iniquity in my tongue? cannot my taste discern perverse

things? 7:1 Is there not an appointed time to man upon earth? are not

his days also like the days of an hireling? 7:2 As a servant

earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for the

reward of his work: 7:3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and

wearisome nights are appointed to me.

7:4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and the night be gone?

and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.

7:5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is

broken, and become loathsome.

7:6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without

hope.

7:7 O remember that my life is wind: mine eye shall no more see good.

7:8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no more: thine eyes

are upon me, and I am not.

7:9 As the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down

to the grave shall come up no more.

7:10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place

know him any more.

7:11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the

anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.

7:12 Am I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch over me? 7:13

When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my

complaints; 7:14 Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me

through visions: 7:15 So that my soul chooseth strangling, and death

rather than my life.

7:16 I loathe it; I would not live alway: let me alone; for my days

are vanity.

7:17 What is man, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou

shouldest set thine heart upon him? 7:18 And that thou shouldest

visit him every morning, and try him every moment? 7:19 How long wilt

thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my

spittle? 7:20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou

preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so

that I am a burden to myself? 7:21 And why dost thou not pardon my

transgression, and take away my iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the

dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I shall not be.

8:1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 8:2 How long wilt thou

speak these things? and how long shall the words of thy mouth be like

a strong wind? 8:3 Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty

pervert justice? 8:4 If thy children have sinned against him, and he

have cast them away for their transgression; 8:5 If thou wouldest seek

unto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty; 8:6 If

thou wert pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and

make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.

8:7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly

increase.

8:8 For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself

to the search of their fathers: 8:9 (For we are but of yesterday, and

know nothing, because our days upon earth are a shadow:) 8:10 Shall

not they teach thee, and tell thee, and utter words out of their

heart? 8:11 Can the rush grow up without mire? can the flag grow

without water? 8:12 Whilst it is yet in his greenness, and not cut

down, it withereth before any other herb.

8:13 So are the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope

shall perish: 8:14 Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall

be a spider's web.

8:15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall

hold it fast, but it shall not endure.

8:16 He is green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his

garden.

8:17 His roots are wrapped about the heap, and seeth the place of

stones.

8:18 If he destroy him from his place, then it shall deny him, saying,

I have not seen thee.

8:19 Behold, this is the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall

others grow.

8:20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will he

help the evil doers: 8:21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and

thy lips with rejoicing.

8:22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; and the dwelling

place of the wicked shall come to nought.

9:1 Then Job answered and said, 9:2 I know it is so of a truth: but

how should man be just with God? 9:3 If he will contend with him, he

cannot answer him one of a thousand.

9:4 He is wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened

himself against him, and hath prospered? 9:5 Which removeth the

mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his anger.

9:6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof

tremble.

9:7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the

stars.

9:8 Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the waves

of the sea.

9:9 Which maketh Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of

the south.

9:10 Which doeth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders

without number.

9:11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see him not: he passeth on also, but I

perceive him not.

9:12 Behold, he taketh away, who can hinder him? who will say unto

him, What doest thou? 9:13 If God will not withdraw his anger, the

proud helpers do stoop under him.

9:14 How much less shall I answer him, and choose out my words to

reason with him? 9:15 Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not

answer, but I would make supplication to my judge.

9:16 If I had called, and he had answered me; yet would I not believe

that he had hearkened unto my voice.

9:17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds

without cause.

9:18 He will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with

bitterness.

9:19 If I speak of strength, lo, he is strong: and if of judgment, who

shall set me a time to plead? 9:20 If I justify myself, mine own

mouth shall condemn me: if I say, I am perfect, it shall also prove me

perverse.

9:21 Though I were perfect, yet would I not know my soul: I would

despise my life.

9:22 This is one thing, therefore I said it, He destroyeth the perfect

and the wicked.

9:23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the

innocent.

9:24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the

faces of the judges thereof; if not, where, and who is he? 9:25 Now

my days are swifter than a post: they flee away, they see no good.

9:26 They are passed away as the swift ships: as the eagle that

hasteth to the prey.

9:27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leave off my

heaviness, and comfort myself: 9:28 I am afraid of all my sorrows, I

know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.

9:29 If I be wicked, why then labour I in vain? 9:30 If I wash myself

with snow water, and make my hands never so clean; 9:31 Yet shalt thou

plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall abhor me.

9:32 For he is not a man, as I am, that I should answer him, and we

should come together in judgment.

9:33 Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand

upon us both.

9:34 Let him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify

me: 9:35 Then would I speak, and not fear him; but it is not so with

me.

10:1 My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon

myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.

10:2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou

contendest with me.

10:3 Is it good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou

shouldest despise the work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel

of the wicked? 10:4 Hast thou eyes of flesh? or seest thou as man

seeth? 10:5 Are thy days as the days of man? are thy years as man's

days, 10:6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest

after my sin? 10:7 Thou knowest that I am not wicked; and there is

none that can deliver out of thine hand.

10:8 Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about;

yet thou dost destroy me.

10:9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay; and

wilt thou bring me into dust again? 10:10 Hast thou not poured me out

as milk, and curdled me like cheese? 10:11 Thou hast clothed me with

skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews.

10:12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath

preserved my spirit.

10:13 And these things hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that this

is with thee.

10:14 If I sin, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquit me from

mine iniquity.

10:15 If I be wicked, woe unto me; and if I be righteous, yet will I

not lift up my head. I am full of confusion; therefore see thou mine

affliction; 10:16 For it increaseth. Thou huntest me as a fierce lion:

and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.

10:17 Thou renewest thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine

indignation upon me; changes and war are against me.

10:18 Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh

that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me! 10:19 I should

have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from

the womb to the grave.

10:20 Are not my days few? cease then, and let me alone, that I may

take comfort a little, 10:21 Before I go whence I shall not return,

even to the land of darkness and the shadow of death; 10:22 A land of

darkness, as darkness itself; and of the shadow of death, without any

order, and where the light is as darkness.

11:1 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said, 11:2 Should not

the multitude of words be answered? and should a man full of talk be

justified? 11:3 Should thy lies make men hold their peace? and when

thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed? 11:4 For thou hast

said, My doctrine is pure, and I am clean in thine eyes.

11:5 But oh that God would speak, and open his lips against thee; 11:6

And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that they are

double to that which is! Know therefore that God exacteth of thee less

than thine iniquity deserveth.

11:7 Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the

Almighty unto perfection? 11:8 It is as high as heaven; what canst

thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know? 11:9 The measure

thereof is longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

11:10 If he cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then who can

hinder him? 11:11 For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also;

will he not then consider it? 11:12 For vain men would be wise,

though man be born like a wild ass's colt.

11:13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward

him; 11:14 If iniquity be in thine hand, put it far away, and let not

wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles.

11:15 For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou

shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear: 11:16 Because thou shalt forget

thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away: 11:17 And thine

age shall be clearer than the noonday: thou shalt shine forth, thou

shalt be as the morning.

11:18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt

dig about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety.

11:19 Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make thee afraid; yea,

many shall make suit unto thee.

11:20 But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and they shall not

escape, and their hope shall be as the giving up of the ghost.

12:1 And Job answered and said, 12:2 No doubt but ye are the people,

and wisdom shall die with you.

12:3 But I have understanding as well as you; I am not inferior to

you: yea, who knoweth not such things as these? 12:4 I am as one

mocked of his neighbour, who calleth upon God, and he answereth him:

the just upright man is laughed to scorn.

12:5 He that is ready to slip with his feet is as a lamp despised in

the thought of him that is at ease.

12:6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that provoke God are

secure; into whose hand God bringeth abundantly.

12:7 But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls

of the air, and they shall tell thee: 12:8 Or speak to the earth, and

it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto

thee.

12:9 Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the LORD hath

wrought this? 12:10 In whose hand is the soul of every living thing,

and the breath of all mankind.

12:11 Doth not the ear try words? and the mouth taste his meat? 12:12

With the ancient is wisdom; and in length of days understanding.

12:13 With him is wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and

understanding.

12:14 Behold, he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again: he

shutteth up a man, and there can be no opening.

12:15 Behold, he withholdeth the waters, and they dry up: also he

sendeth them out, and they overturn the earth.

12:16 With him is strength and wisdom: the deceived and the deceiver

are his.

12:17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and maketh the judges

fools.

12:18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a

girdle.

12:19 He leadeth princes away spoiled, and overthroweth the mighty.

12:20 He removeth away the speech of the trusty, and taketh away the

understanding of the aged.

12:21 He poureth contempt upon princes, and weakeneth the strength of

the mighty.

12:22 He discovereth deep things out of darkness, and bringeth out to

light the shadow of death.

12:23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the

nations, and straiteneth them again.

12:24 He taketh away the heart of the chief of the people of the

earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness where there is no

way.

12:25 They grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to

stagger like a drunken man.

13:1 Lo, mine eye hath seen all this, mine ear hath heard and

understood it.

13:2 What ye know, the same do I know also: I am not inferior unto

you.

13:3 Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with

God.

13:4 But ye are forgers of lies, ye are all physicians of no value.

13:5 O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your

wisdom.

13:6 Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

13:7 Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him?

13:8 Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God? 13:9 Is it

good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another, do

ye so mock him? 13:10 He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly

accept persons.

13:11 Shall not his excellency make you afraid? and his dread fall

upon you? 13:12 Your remembrances are like unto ashes, your bodies to

bodies of clay.

13:13 Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, and let come on

me what will.

13:14 Wherefore do I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in

mine hand? 13:15 Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I

will maintain mine own ways before him.

13:16 He also shall be my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come

before him.

13:17 Hear diligently my speech, and my declaration with your ears.

13:18 Behold now, I have ordered my cause; I know that I shall be

justified.

13:19 Who is he that will plead with me? for now, if I hold my tongue,

I shall give up the ghost.

13:20 Only do not two things unto me: then will I not hide myself from

thee.

13:21 Withdraw thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make me

afraid.

13:22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer

thou me.

13:23 How many are mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my

transgression and my sin.

13:24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy?

13:25 Wilt thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue

the dry stubble? 13:26 For thou writest bitter things against me, and

makest me to possess the iniquities of my youth.

13:27 Thou puttest my feet also in the stocks, and lookest narrowly

unto all my paths; thou settest a print upon the heels of my feet.

13:28 And he, as a rotten thing, consumeth, as a garment that is moth

eaten.

14:1 Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble.

14:2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as

a shadow, and continueth not.

14:3 And doth thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me

into judgment with thee? 14:4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an

unclean? not one.

14:5 Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with

thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass; 14:6 Turn

from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling,

his day.

14:7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will

sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

14:8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock

thereof die in the ground; 14:9 Yet through the scent of water it will

bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.

14:10 But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost,

and where is he? 14:11 As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood

decayeth and drieth up: 14:12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: till

the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of

their sleep.

14:13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest

keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me

a set time, and remember me! 14:14 If a man die, shall he live again?

all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

14:15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire

to the work of thine hands.

14:16 For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my

sin? 14:17 My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up

mine iniquity.

14:18 And surely the mountains falling cometh to nought, and the rock

is removed out of his place.

14:19 The waters wear the stones: thou washest away the things which

grow out of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of

man.

14:20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou

changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

14:21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth it not; and they are

brought low, but he perceiveth it not of them.

14:22 But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him

shall mourn.

15:1 Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said, 15:2 Should a wise

man utter vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind? 15:3

Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he

can do no good? 15:4 Yea, thou castest off fear, and restrainest

prayer before God.

15:5 For thy mouth uttereth thine iniquity, and thou choosest the

tongue of the crafty.

15:6 Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips

testify against thee.

15:7 Art thou the first man that was born? or wast thou made before

the hills? 15:8 Hast thou heard the secret of God? and dost thou

restrain wisdom to thyself? 15:9 What knowest thou, that we know not?

what understandest thou, which is not in us? 15:10 With us are both

the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.

15:11 Are the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret

thing with thee? 15:12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what

do thy eyes wink at, 15:13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God,

and lettest such words go out of thy mouth? 15:14 What is man, that

he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be

righteous? 15:15 Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the

heavens are not clean in his sight.

15:16 How much more abominable and filthy is man, which drinketh

iniquity like water? 15:17 I will shew thee, hear me; and that which

I have seen I will declare; 15:18 Which wise men have told from their

fathers, and have not hid it: 15:19 Unto whom alone the earth was

given, and no stranger passed among them.

15:20 The wicked man travaileth with pain all his days, and the number

of years is hidden to the oppressor.

15:21 A dreadful sound is in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer

shall come upon him.

15:22 He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, and he is

waited for of the sword.

15:23 He wandereth abroad for bread, saying, Where is it? he knoweth

that the day of darkness is ready at his hand.

15:24 Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall prevail

against him, as a king ready to the battle.

15:25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth

himself against the Almighty.

15:26 He runneth upon him, even on his neck, upon the thick bosses of

his bucklers: 15:27 Because he covereth his face with his fatness, and

maketh collops of fat on his flanks.

15:28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, and in houses which no man

inhabiteth, which are ready to become heaps.

15:29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue,

neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof upon the earth.

15:30 He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his

branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he go away.

15:31 Let not him that is deceived trust in vanity: for vanity shall

be his recompence.

15:32 It shall be accomplished before his time, and his branch shall

not be green.

15:33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast

off his flower as the olive.

15:34 For the congregation of hypocrites shall be desolate, and fire

shall consume the tabernacles of bribery.

15:35 They conceive mischief, and bring forth vanity, and their belly

prepareth deceit.

16:1 Then Job answered and said, 16:2 I have heard many such things:

miserable comforters are ye all.

16:3 Shall vain words have an end? or what emboldeneth thee that thou

answerest? 16:4 I also could speak as ye do: if your soul were in my

soul's stead, I could heap up words against you, and shake mine head

at you.

16:5 But I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the moving of my

lips should asswage your grief.

16:6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: and though I forbear,

what am I eased? 16:7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made

desolate all my company.

16:8 And thou hast filled me with wrinkles, which is a witness against

me: and my leanness rising up in me beareth witness to my face.

16:9 He teareth me in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth upon me

with his teeth; mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes upon me.

16:10 They have gaped upon me with their mouth; they have smitten me

upon the cheek reproachfully; they have gathered themselves together

against me.

16:11 God hath delivered me to the ungodly, and turned me over into

the hands of the wicked.

16:12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken

me by my neck, and shaken me to pieces, and set me up for his mark.

16:13 His archers compass me round about, he cleaveth my reins

asunder, and doth not spare; he poureth out my gall upon the ground.

16:14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach, he runneth upon me like

a giant.

16:15 I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and defiled my horn in the

dust.

16:16 My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids is the shadow of

death; 16:17 Not for any injustice in mine hands: also my prayer is

pure.

16:18 O earth, cover not thou my blood, and let my cry have no place.

16:19 Also now, behold, my witness is in heaven, and my record is on

high.

16:20 My friends scorn me: but mine eye poureth out tears unto God.

16:21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man pleadeth for

his neighbour! 16:22 When a few years are come, then I shall go the

way whence I shall not return.

17:1 My breath is corrupt, my days are extinct, the graves are ready

for me.

17:2 Are there not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye continue in

their provocation? 17:3 Lay down now, put me in a surety with thee;

who is he that will strike hands with me? 17:4 For thou hast hid

their heart from understanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt them.

17:5 He that speaketh flattery to his friends, even the eyes of his

children shall fail.

17:6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; and aforetime I was

as a tabret.

17:7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all my members are

as a shadow.

17:8 Upright men shall be astonied at this, and the innocent shall

stir up himself against the hypocrite.

17:9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean

hands shall be stronger and stronger.

17:10 But as for you all, do ye return, and come now: for I cannot

find one wise man among you.

17:11 My days are past, my purposes are broken off, even the thoughts

of my heart.

17:12 They change the night into day: the light is short because of

darkness.

17:13 If I wait, the grave is mine house: I have made my bed in the

darkness.

17:14 I have said to corruption, Thou art my father: to the worm, Thou

art my mother, and my sister.

17:15 And where is now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

17:16 They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when our rest

together is in the dust.

18:1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said, 18:2 How long will it

be ere ye make an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speak.

18:3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, and reputed vile in your

sight? 18:4 He teareth himself in his anger: shall the earth be

forsaken for thee? and shall the rock be removed out of his place?

18:5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the spark of

his fire shall not shine.

18:6 The light shall be dark in his tabernacle, and his candle shall

be put out with him.

18:7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own

counsel shall cast him down.

18:8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he walketh upon a

snare.

18:9 The gin shall take him by the heel, and the robber shall prevail

against him.

18:10 The snare is laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in

the way.

18:11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall drive him

to his feet.

18:12 His strength shall be hungerbitten, and destruction shall be

ready at his side.

18:13 It shall devour the strength of his skin: even the firstborn of

death shall devour his strength.

18:14 His confidence shall be rooted out of his tabernacle, and it

shall bring him to the king of terrors.

18:15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle, because it is none of his:

brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.

18:16 His roots shall be dried up beneath, and above shall his branch

be cut off.

18:17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall have

no name in the street.

18:18 He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of

the world.

18:19 He shall neither have son nor nephew among his people, nor any

remaining in his dwellings.

18:20 They that come after him shall be astonied at his day, as they

that went before were affrighted.

18:21 Surely such are the dwellings of the wicked, and this is the

place of him that knoweth not God.

19:1 Then Job answered and said, 19:2 How long will ye vex my soul,

and break me in pieces with words? 19:3 These ten times have ye

reproached me: ye are not ashamed that ye make yourselves strange to

me.

19:4 And be it indeed that I have erred, mine error remaineth with

myself.

19:5 If indeed ye will magnify yourselves against me, and plead

against me my reproach: 19:6 Know now that God hath overthrown me, and

hath compassed me with his net.

19:7 Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but

there is no judgment.

19:8 He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and he hath set

darkness in my paths.

19:9 He hath stripped me of my glory, and taken the crown from my

head.

19:10 He hath destroyed me on every side, and I am gone: and mine hope

hath he removed like a tree.

19:11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and he counteth me

unto him as one of his enemies.

19:12 His troops come together, and raise up their way against me, and

encamp round about my tabernacle.

19:13 He hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance are

verily estranged from me.

19:14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends have forgotten

me.

19:15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a

stranger: I am an alien in their sight.

19:16 I called my servant, and he gave me no answer; I intreated him

with my mouth.

19:17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the

children's sake of mine own body.

19:18 Yea, young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against

me.

19:19 All my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are

turned against me.

19:20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped

with the skin of my teeth.

19:21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the

hand of God hath touched me.

19:22 Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my

flesh? 19:23 Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were

printed in a book! 19:24 That they were graven with an iron pen and

lead in the rock for ever! 19:25 For I know that my redeemer liveth,

and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: 19:26 And

though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I

see God: 19:27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall

behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me.

19:28 But ye should say, Why persecute we him, seeing the root of the

matter is found in me? 19:29 Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath

bringeth the punishments of the sword, that ye may know there is a

judgment.

20:1 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said, 20:2 Therefore do

my thoughts cause me to answer, and for this I make haste.

20:3 I have heard the check of my reproach, and the spirit of my

understanding causeth me to answer.

20:4 Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed upon earth,

20:5 That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the

hypocrite but for a moment? 20:6 Though his excellency mount up to

the heavens, and his head reach unto the clouds; 20:7 Yet he shall

perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say,

Where is he? 20:8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be

found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

20:9 The eye also which saw him shall see him no more; neither shall

his place any more behold him.

20:10 His children shall seek to please the poor, and his hands shall

restore their goods.

20:11 His bones are full of the sin of his youth, which shall lie down

with him in the dust.

20:12 Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, though he hide it under

his tongue; 20:13 Though he spare it, and forsake it not; but keep it

still within his mouth: 20:14 Yet his meat in his bowels is turned, it

is the gall of asps within him.

20:15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again:

God shall cast them out of his belly.

20:16 He shall suck the poison of asps: the viper's tongue shall slay

him.

20:17 He shall not see the rivers, the floods, the brooks of honey and

butter.

20:18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not

swallow it down: according to his substance shall the restitution be,

and he shall not rejoice therein.

20:19 Because he hath oppressed and hath forsaken the poor; because he

hath violently taken away an house which he builded not; 20:20 Surely

he shall not feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that

which he desired.

20:21 There shall none of his meat be left; therefore shall no man

look for his goods.

20:22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: every

hand of the wicked shall come upon him.

20:23 When he is about to fill his belly, God shall cast the fury of

his wrath upon him, and shall rain it upon him while he is eating.

20:24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, and the bow of steel shall

strike him through.

20:25 It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea, the glittering

sword cometh out of his gall: terrors are upon him.

20:26 All darkness shall be hid in his secret places: a fire not blown

shall consume him; it shall go ill with him that is left in his

tabernacle.

20:27 The heaven shall reveal his iniquity; and the earth shall rise

up against him.

20:28 The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow

away in the day of his wrath.

20:29 This is the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage

appointed unto him by God.

21:1 But Job answered and said, 21:2 Hear diligently my speech, and

let this be your consolations.

21:3 Suffer me that I may speak; and after that I have spoken, mock

on.

21:4 As for me, is my complaint to man? and if it were so, why should

not my spirit be troubled? 21:5 Mark me, and be astonished, and lay

your hand upon your mouth.

21:6 Even when I remember I am afraid, and trembling taketh hold on my

flesh.

21:7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in

power? 21:8 Their seed is established in their sight with them, and

their offspring before their eyes.

21:9 Their houses are safe from fear, neither is the rod of God upon

them.

21:10 Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; their cow calveth, and

casteth not her calf.

21:11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, and their

children dance.

21:12 They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the sound of the

organ.

21:13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the

grave.

21:14 Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us; for we desire not

the knowledge of thy ways.

21:15 What is the Almighty, that we should serve him? and what profit

should we have, if we pray unto him? 21:16 Lo, their good is not in

their hand: the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

21:17 How oft is the candle of the wicked put out! and how oft cometh

their destruction upon them! God distributeth sorrows in his anger.

21:18 They are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm

carrieth away.

21:19 God layeth up his iniquity for his children: he rewardeth him,

and he shall know it.

21:20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drink of the

wrath of the Almighty.

21:21 For what pleasure hath he in his house after him, when the

number of his months is cut off in the midst? 21:22 Shall any teach

God knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.

21:23 One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

21:24 His breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with

marrow.

21:25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never

eateth with pleasure.

21:26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the worms shall cover

them.

21:27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices which ye

wrongfully imagine against me.

21:28 For ye say, Where is the house of the prince? and where are the

dwelling places of the wicked? 21:29 Have ye not asked them that go

by the way? and do ye not know their tokens, 21:30 That the wicked is

reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the

day of wrath.

21:31 Who shall declare his way to his face? and who shall repay him

what he hath done? 21:32 Yet shall he be brought to the grave, and

shall remain in the tomb.

21:33 The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and every man

shall draw after him, as there are innumerable before him.

21:34 How then comfort ye me in vain, seeing in your answers there

remaineth falsehood? 22:1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and

said, 22:2 Can a man be profitable unto God, as he that is wise may be

profitable unto himself? 22:3 Is it any pleasure to the Almighty,

that thou art righteous? or is it gain to him, that thou makest thy

ways perfect? 22:4 Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he

enter with thee into judgment? 22:5 Is not thy wickedness great? and

thine iniquities infinite? 22:6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy

brother for nought, and stripped the naked of their clothing.

22:7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou hast

withholden bread from the hungry.

22:8 But as for the mighty man, he had the earth; and the honourable

man dwelt in it.

22:9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless

have been broken.

22:10 Therefore snares are round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth

thee; 22:11 Or darkness, that thou canst not see; and abundance of

waters cover thee.

22:12 Is not God in the height of heaven? and behold the height of the

stars, how high they are! 22:13 And thou sayest, How doth God know?

can he judge through the dark cloud? 22:14 Thick clouds are a

covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of

heaven.

22:15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?

22:16 Which were cut down out of time, whose foundation was overflown

with a flood: 22:17 Which said unto God, Depart from us: and what can

the Almighty do for them? 22:18 Yet he filled their houses with good

things: but the counsel of the wicked is far from me.

22:19 The righteous see it, and are glad: and the innocent laugh them

to scorn.

22:20 Whereas our substance is not cut down, but the remnant of them

the fire consumeth.

22:21 Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good

shall come unto thee.

22:22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his

words in thine heart.

22:23 If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou

shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.

22:24 Then shalt thou lay up gold as dust, and the gold of Ophir as

the stones of the brooks.

22:25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defence, and thou shalt have

plenty of silver.

22:26 For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt

lift up thy face unto God.

22:27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and

thou shalt pay thy vows.

22:28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto

thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.

22:29 When men are cast down, then thou shalt say, There is lifting

up; and he shall save the humble person.

22:30 He shall deliver the island of the innocent: and it is delivered

by the pureness of thine hands.

23:1 Then Job answered and said, 23:2 Even to day is my complaint

bitter: my stroke is heavier than my groaning.

23:3 Oh that I knew where I might find him! that I might come even to

his seat! 23:4 I would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth

with arguments.

23:5 I would know the words which he would answer me, and understand

what he would say unto me.

23:6 Will he plead against me with his great power? No; but he would

put strength in me.

23:7 There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be

delivered for ever from my judge.

23:8 Behold, I go forward, but he is not there; and backward, but I

cannot perceive him: 23:9 On the left hand, where he doth work, but I

cannot behold him: he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot

see him: 23:10 But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried

me, I shall come forth as gold.

23:11 My foot hath held his steps, his way have I kept, and not

declined.

23:12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I

have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food.

23:13 But he is in one mind, and who can turn him? and what his soul

desireth, even that he doeth.

23:14 For he performeth the thing that is appointed for me: and many

such things are with him.

23:15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider, I am

afraid of him.

23:16 For God maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:

23:17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, neither hath he

covered the darkness from my face.

24:1 Why, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, do they that

know him not see his days? 24:2 Some remove the landmarks; they

violently take away flocks, and feed thereof.

24:3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they take the widow's

ox for a pledge.

24:4 They turn the needy out of the way: the poor of the earth hide

themselves together.

24:5 Behold, as wild asses in the desert, go they forth to their work;

rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness yieldeth food for them and

for their children.

24:6 They reap every one his corn in the field: and they gather the

vintage of the wicked.

24:7 They cause the naked to lodge without clothing, that they have no

covering in the cold.

24:8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and embrace the

rock for want of a shelter.

24:9 They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of

the poor.

24:10 They cause him to go naked without clothing, and they take away

the sheaf from the hungry; 24:11 Which make oil within their walls,

and tread their winepresses, and suffer thirst.

24:12 Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of the wounded

crieth out: yet God layeth not folly to them.

24:13 They are of those that rebel against the light; they know not

the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.

24:14 The murderer rising with the light killeth the poor and needy,

and in the night is as a thief.

24:15 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying,

No eye shall see me: and disguiseth his face.

24:16 In the dark they dig through houses, which they had marked for

themselves in the daytime: they know not the light.

24:17 For the morning is to them even as the shadow of death: if one

know them, they are in the terrors of the shadow of death.

24:18 He is swift as the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth:

he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.

24:19 Drought and heat consume the snow waters: so doth the grave

those which have sinned.

24:20 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him;

he shall be no more remembered; and wickedness shall be broken as a

tree.

24:21 He evil entreateth the barren that beareth not: and doeth not

good to the widow.

24:22 He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth up, and no

man is sure of life.

24:23 Though it be given him to be in safety, whereon he resteth; yet

his eyes are upon their ways.

24:24 They are exalted for a little while, but are gone and brought

low; they are taken out of the way as all other, and cut off as the

tops of the ears of corn.

24:25 And if it be not so now, who will make me a liar, and make my

speech nothing worth? 25:1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and

said, 25:2 Dominion and fear are with him, he maketh peace in his high

places.

25:3 Is there any number of his armies? and upon whom doth not his

light arise? 25:4 How then can man be justified with God? or how can

he be clean that is born of a woman? 25:5 Behold even to the moon,

and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight.

25:6 How much less man, that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a

worm? 26:1 But Job answered and said, 26:2 How hast thou helped him

that is without power? how savest thou the arm that hath no strength?

26:3 How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisdom? and how hast

thou plentifully declared the thing as it is? 26:4 To whom hast thou

uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee? 26:5 Dead things are

formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof.

26:6 Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.

26:7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the

earth upon nothing.

26:8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is

not rent under them.

26:9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud

upon it.

26:10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and

night come to an end.

26:11 The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.

26:12 He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he

smiteth through the proud.

26:13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath

formed the crooked serpent.

26:14 Lo, these are parts of his ways: but how little a portion is

heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand? 27:1

Moreover Job continued his parable, and said, 27:2 As God liveth, who

hath taken away my judgment; and the Almighty, who hath vexed my soul;

27:3 All the while my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my

nostrils; 27:4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter

deceit.

27:5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not

remove mine integrity from me.

27:6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart

shall not reproach me so long as I live.

27:7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me

as the unrighteous.

27:8 For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained,

when God taketh away his soul? 27:9 Will God hear his cry when

trouble cometh upon him? 27:10 Will he delight himself in the

Almighty? will he always call upon God? 27:11 I will teach you by the

hand of God: that which is with the Almighty will I not conceal.

27:12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen it; why then are ye thus

altogether vain? 27:13 This is the portion of a wicked man with God,

and the heritage of oppressors, which they shall receive of the

Almighty.

27:14 If his children be multiplied, it is for the sword: and his

offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

27:15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death: and his

widows shall not weep.

27:16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the

clay; 27:17 He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, and the

innocent shall divide the silver.

27:18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth that the keeper

maketh.

27:19 The rich man shall lie down, but he shall not be gathered: he

openeth his eyes, and he is not.

27:20 Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away

in the night.

27:21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a

storm hurleth him out of his place.

27:22 For God shall cast upon him, and not spare: he would fain flee

out of his hand.

27:23 Men shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his

place.

28:1 Surely there is a vein for the silver, and a place for gold where

they fine it.

28:2 Iron is taken out of the earth, and brass is molten out of the

stone.

28:3 He setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection:

the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.

28:4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; even the waters

forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from men.

28:5 As for the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned

up as it were fire.

28:6 The stones of it are the place of sapphires: and it hath dust of

gold.

28:7 There is a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's

eye hath not seen: 28:8 The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the

fierce lion passed by it.

28:9 He putteth forth his hand upon the rock; he overturneth the

mountains by the roots.

28:10 He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every

precious thing.

28:11 He bindeth the floods from overflowing; and the thing that is

hid bringeth he forth to light.

28:12 But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of

understanding? 28:13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it

found in the land of the living.

28:14 The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not

with me.

28:15 It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed

for the price thereof.

28:16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious

onyx, or the sapphire.

28:17 The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it

shall not be for jewels of fine gold.

28:18 No mention shall be made of coral, or of pearls: for the price

of wisdom is above rubies.

28:19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be

valued with pure gold.

28:20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of

understanding? 28:21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living,

and kept close from the fowls of the air.

28:22 Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with

our ears.

28:23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place

thereof.

28:24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the

whole heaven; 28:25 To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth

the waters by measure.

28:26 When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning

of the thunder: 28:27 Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared

it, yea, and searched it out.

28:28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the LORD, that is

wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding.

29:1 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said, 29:2 Oh that I were

as in months past, as in the days when God preserved me; 29:3 When his

candle shined upon my head, and when by his light I walked through

darkness; 29:4 As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of

God was upon my tabernacle; 29:5 When the Almighty was yet with me,

when my children were about me; 29:6 When I washed my steps with

butter, and the rock poured me out rivers of oil; 29:7 When I went out

to the gate through the city, when I prepared my seat in the street!

29:8 The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, and

stood up.

29:9 The princes refrained talking, and laid their hand on their

mouth.

29:10 The nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the

roof of their mouth.

29:11 When the ear heard me, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw

me, it gave witness to me: 29:12 Because I delivered the poor that

cried, and the fatherless, and him that had none to help him.

29:13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I

caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

29:14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment was as a

robe and a diadem.

29:15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to the lame.

29:16 I was a father to the poor: and the cause which I knew not I

searched out.

29:17 And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of

his teeth.

29:18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply my

days as the sand.

29:19 My root was spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night

upon my branch.

29:20 My glory was fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand.

29:21 Unto me men gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my

counsel.

29:22 After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon

them.

29:23 And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their

mouth wide as for the latter rain.

29:24 If I laughed on them, they believed it not; and the light of my

countenance they cast not down.

29:25 I chose out their way, and sat chief, and dwelt as a king in the

army, as one that comforteth the mourners.

30:1 But now they that are younger than I have me in derision, whose

fathers I would have disdained to have set with the dogs of my flock.

30:2 Yea, whereto might the strength of their hands profit me, in whom

old age was perished? 30:3 For want and famine they were solitary;

fleeing into the wilderness in former time desolate and waste.

30:4 Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and juniper roots for their

meat.

30:5 They were driven forth from among men, (they cried after them as

after a thief;) 30:6 To dwell in the cliffs of the valleys, in caves

of the earth, and in the rocks.

30:7 Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were

gathered together.

30:8 They were children of fools, yea, children of base men: they were

viler than the earth.

30:9 And now am I their song, yea, I am their byword.

30:10 They abhor me, they flee far from me, and spare not to spit in

my face.

30:11 Because he hath loosed my cord, and afflicted me, they have also

let loose the bridle before me.

30:12 Upon my right hand rise the youth; they push away my feet, and

they raise up against me the ways of their destruction.

30:13 They mar my path, they set forward my calamity, they have no

helper.

30:14 They came upon me as a wide breaking in of waters: in the

desolation they rolled themselves upon me.

30:15 Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and

my welfare passeth away as a cloud.

30:16 And now my soul is poured out upon me; the days of affliction

have taken hold upon me.

30:17 My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews

take no rest.

30:18 By the great force of my disease is my garment changed: it

bindeth me about as the collar of my coat.

30:19 He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like dust and

ashes.

30:20 I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me: I stand up, and thou

regardest me not.

30:21 Thou art become cruel to me: with thy strong hand thou opposest

thyself against me.

30:22 Thou liftest me up to the wind; thou causest me to ride upon it,

and dissolvest my substance.

30:23 For I know that thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house

appointed for all living.

30:24 Howbeit he will not stretch out his hand to the grave, though

they cry in his destruction.

30:25 Did not I weep for him that was in trouble? was not my soul

grieved for the poor? 30:26 When I looked for good, then evil came

unto me: and when I waited for light, there came darkness.

30:27 My bowels boiled, and rested not: the days of affliction

prevented me.

30:28 I went mourning without the sun: I stood up, and I cried in the

congregation.

30:29 I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to owls.

30:30 My skin is black upon me, and my bones are burned with heat.

30:31 My harp also is turned to mourning, and my organ into the voice

of them that weep.

31:1 I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a

maid? 31:2 For what portion of God is there from above? and what

inheritance of the Almighty from on high? 31:3 Is not destruction to

the wicked? and a strange punishment to the workers of iniquity? 31:4

Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps? 31:5 If I have

walked with vanity, or if my foot hath hasted to deceit; 31:6 Let me

be weighed in an even balance that God may know mine integrity.

31:7 If my step hath turned out of the way, and mine heart walked

after mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaved to mine hands; 31:8 Then

let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out.

31:9 If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or if I have laid

wait at my neighbour's door; 31:10 Then let my wife grind unto

another, and let others bow down upon her.

31:11 For this is an heinous crime; yea, it is an iniquity to be

punished by the judges.

31:12 For it is a fire that consumeth to destruction, and would root

out all mine increase.

31:13 If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my

maidservant, when they contended with me; 31:14 What then shall I do

when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall I answer him?

31:15 Did not he that made me in the womb make him? and did not one

fashion us in the womb? 31:16 If I have withheld the poor from their

desire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to fail; 31:17 Or have

eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten

thereof; 31:18 (For from my youth he was brought up with me, as with a

father, and I have guided her from my mother's womb;) 31:19 If I have

seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering;

31:20 If his loins have not blessed me, and if he were not warmed with

the fleece of my sheep; 31:21 If I have lifted up my hand against the

fatherless, when I saw my help in the gate: 31:22 Then let mine arm

fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from the bone.

31:23 For destruction from God was a terror to me, and by reason of

his highness I could not endure.

31:24 If I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine gold, Thou

art my confidence; 31:25 If I rejoice because my wealth was great, and

because mine hand had gotten much; 31:26 If I beheld the sun when it

shined, or the moon walking in brightness; 31:27 And my heart hath

been secretly enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand: 31:28 This

also were an iniquity to be punished by the judge: for I should have

denied the God that is above.

31:29 If I rejoice at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted

up myself when evil found him: 31:30 Neither have I suffered my mouth

to sin by wishing a curse to his soul.

31:31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his

flesh! we cannot be satisfied.

31:32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: but I opened my doors

to the traveller.

31:33 If I covered my transgressions as Adam, by hiding mine iniquity

in my bosom: 31:34 Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt

of families terrify me, that I kept silence, and went not out of the

door? 31:35 Oh that one would hear me! behold, my desire is, that the

Almighty would answer me, and that mine adversary had written a book.

31:36 Surely I would take it upon my shoulder, and bind it as a crown

to me.

31:37 I would declare unto him the number of my steps; as a prince

would I go near unto him.

31:38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrows likewise thereof

complain; 31:39 If I have eaten the fruits thereof without money, or

have caused the owners thereof to lose their life: 31:40 Let thistles

grow instead of wheat, and cockle instead of barley.

The words of Job are ended.

32:1 So these three men ceased to answer Job, because he was righteous

in his own eyes.

32:2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the

Buzite, of the kindred of Ram: against Job was his wrath kindled,

because he justified himself rather than God.

32:3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled, because

they had found no answer, and yet had condemned Job.

32:4 Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken, because they were elder

than he.

32:5 When Elihu saw that there was no answer in the mouth of these

three men, then his wrath was kindled.

32:6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I am

young, and ye are very old; wherefore I was afraid, and durst not shew

you mine opinion.

32:7 I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach

wisdom.

32:8 But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty

giveth them understanding.

32:9 Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand

judgment.

32:10 Therefore I said, Hearken to me; I also will shew mine opinion.

32:11 Behold, I waited for your words; I gave ear to your reasons,

whilst ye searched out what to say.

32:12 Yea, I attended unto you, and, behold, there was none of you

that convinced Job, or that answered his words: 32:13 Lest ye should

say, We have found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

32:14 Now he hath not directed his words against me: neither will I

answer him with your speeches.

32:15 They were amazed, they answered no more: they left off speaking.

32:16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still, and

answered no more;) 32:17 I said, I will answer also my part, I also

will shew mine opinion.

32:18 For I am full of matter, the spirit within me constraineth me.

32:19 Behold, my belly is as wine which hath no vent; it is ready to

burst like new bottles.

32:20 I will speak, that I may be refreshed: I will open my lips and

answer.

32:21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me

give flattering titles unto man.

32:22 For I know not to give flattering titles; in so doing my maker

would soon take me away.

33:1 Wherefore, Job, I pray thee, hear my speeches, and hearken to all

my words.

33:2 Behold, now I have opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my

mouth.

33:3 My words shall be of the uprightness of my heart: and my lips

shall utter knowledge clearly.

33:4 The spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty

hath given me life.

33:5 If thou canst answer me, set thy words in order before me, stand

up.

33:6 Behold, I am according to thy wish in God's stead: I also am

formed out of the clay.

33:7 Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my

hand be heavy upon thee.

33:8 Surely thou hast spoken in mine hearing, and I have heard the

voice of thy words, saying, 33:9 I am clean without transgression, I

am innocent; neither is there iniquity in me.

33:10 Behold, he findeth occasions against me, he counteth me for his

enemy, 33:11 He putteth my feet in the stocks, he marketh all my

paths.

33:12 Behold, in this thou art not just: I will answer thee, that God

is greater than man.

33:13 Why dost thou strive against him? for he giveth not account of

any of his matters.

33:14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, yet man perceiveth it not.

33:15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth

upon men, in slumberings upon the bed; 33:16 Then he openeth the ears

of men, and sealeth their instruction, 33:17 That he may withdraw man

from his purpose, and hide pride from man.

33:18 He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life from

perishing by the sword.

33:19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude

of his bones with strong pain: 33:20 So that his life abhorreth bread,

and his soul dainty meat.

33:21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his

bones that were not seen stick out.

33:22 Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the

destroyers.

33:23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a

thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness: 33:24 Then he is gracious

unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have

found a ransom.

33:25 His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to

the days of his youth: 33:26 He shall pray unto God, and he will be

favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will

render unto man his righteousness.

33:27 He looketh upon men, and if any say, I have sinned, and

perverted that which was right, and it profited me not; 33:28 He will

deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the

light.

33:29 Lo, all these things worketh God oftentimes with man, 33:30 To

bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of

the living.

33:31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will

speak.

33:32 If thou hast anything to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to

justify thee.

33:33 If not, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee

wisdom.

34:1 Furthermore Elihu answered and said, 34:2 Hear my words, O ye

wise men; and give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.

34:3 For the ear trieth words, as the mouth tasteth meat.

34:4 Let us choose to us judgment: let us know among ourselves what is

good.

34:5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath taken away my

judgment.

34:6 Should I lie against my right? my wound is incurable without

transgression.

34:7 What man is like Job, who drinketh up scorning like water? 34:8

Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and walketh with

wicked men.

34:9 For he hath said, It profiteth a man nothing that he should

delight himself with God.

34:10 Therefore hearken unto me ye men of understanding: far be it

from God, that he should do wickedness; and from the Almighty, that he

should commit iniquity.

34:11 For the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every

man to find according to his ways.

34:12 Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty

pervert judgment.

34:13 Who hath given him a charge over the earth? or who hath disposed

the whole world? 34:14 If he set his heart upon man, if he gather

unto himself his spirit and his breath; 34:15 All flesh shall perish

together, and man shall turn again unto dust.

34:16 If now thou hast understanding, hear this: hearken to the voice

of my words.

34:17 Shall even he that hateth right govern? and wilt thou condemn

him that is most just? 34:18 Is it fit to say to a king, Thou art

wicked? and to princes, Ye are ungodly? 34:19 How much less to him

that accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more

than the poor? for they all are the work of his hands.

34:20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at

midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away without

hand.

34:21 For his eyes are upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his

goings.

34:22 There is no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of

iniquity may hide themselves.

34:23 For he will not lay upon man more than right; that he should

enter into judgment with God.

34:24 He shall break in pieces mighty men without number, and set

others in their stead.

34:25 Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth them in the

night, so that they are destroyed.

34:26 He striketh them as wicked men in the open sight of others;

34:27 Because they turned back from him, and would not consider any of

his ways: 34:28 So that they cause the cry of the poor to come unto

him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.

34:29 When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when he

hideth his face, who then can behold him? whether it be done against a

nation, or against a man only: 34:30 That the hypocrite reign not,

lest the people be ensnared.

34:31 Surely it is meet to be said unto God, I have borne

chastisement, I will not offend any more: 34:32 That which I see not

teach thou me: if I have done iniquity, I will do no more.

34:33 Should it be according to thy mind? he will recompense it,

whether thou refuse, or whether thou choose; and not I: therefore

speak what thou knowest.

34:34 Let men of understanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken

unto me.

34:35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words were without

wisdom.

34:36 My desire is that Job may be tried unto the end because of his

answers for wicked men.

34:37 For he addeth rebellion unto his sin, he clappeth his hands

among us, and multiplieth his words against God.

35:1 Elihu spake moreover, and said, 35:2 Thinkest thou this to be

right, that thou saidst, My righteousness is more than God's? 35:3

For thou saidst, What advantage will it be unto thee? and, What profit

shall I have, if I be cleansed from my sin? 35:4 I will answer thee,

and thy companions with thee.

35:5 Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds which are

higher than thou.

35:6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him? or if thy

transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou unto him? 35:7 If thou

be righteous, what givest thou him? or what receiveth he of thine

hand? 35:8 Thy wickedness may hurt a man as thou art; and thy

righteousness may profit the son of man.

35:9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make the oppressed

to cry: they cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty.

35:10 But none saith, Where is God my maker, who giveth songs in the

night; 35:11 Who teacheth us more than the beasts of the earth, and

maketh us wiser than the fowls of heaven? 35:12 There they cry, but

none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.

35:13 Surely God will not hear vanity, neither will the Almighty

regard it.

35:14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, yet judgment is

before him; therefore trust thou in him.

35:15 But now, because it is not so, he hath visited in his anger; yet

he knoweth it not in great extremity: 35:16 Therefore doth Job open

his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words without knowledge.

36:1 Elihu also proceeded, and said, 36:2 Suffer me a little, and I

will shew thee that I have yet to speak on God's behalf.

36:3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe

righteousness to my Maker.

36:4 For truly my words shall not be false: he that is perfect in

knowledge is with thee.

36:5 Behold, God is mighty, and despiseth not any: he is mighty in

strength and wisdom.

36:6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giveth right to the

poor.

36:7 He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings

are they on the throne; yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they

are exalted.

36:8 And if they be bound in fetters, and be holden in cords of

affliction; 36:9 Then he sheweth them their work, and their

transgressions that they have exceeded.

36:10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that

they return from iniquity.

36:11 If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in

prosperity, and their years in pleasures.

36:12 But if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and they

shall die without knowledge.

36:13 But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they cry not when he

bindeth them.

36:14 They die in youth, and their life is among the unclean.

36:15 He delivereth the poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears

in oppression.

36:16 Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait into a

broad place, where there is no straitness; and that which should be

set on thy table should be full of fatness.

36:17 But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked: judgment and

justice take hold on thee.

36:18 Because there is wrath, beware lest he take thee away with his

stroke: then a great ransom cannot deliver thee.

36:19 Will he esteem thy riches? no, not gold, nor all the forces of

strength.

36:20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

36:21 Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather

than affliction.

36:22 Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him? 36:23

Who hath enjoined him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought

iniquity? 36:24 Remember that thou magnify his work, which men

behold.

36:25 Every man may see it; man may behold it afar off.

36:26 Behold, God is great, and we know him not, neither can the

number of his years be searched out.

36:27 For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain

according to the vapour thereof: 36:28 Which the clouds do drop and

distil upon man abundantly.

36:29 Also can any understand the spreadings of the clouds, or the

noise of his tabernacle? 36:30 Behold, he spreadeth his light upon

it, and covereth the bottom of the sea.

36:31 For by them judgeth he the people; he giveth meat in abundance.

36:32 With clouds he covereth the light; and commandeth it not to

shine by the cloud that cometh betwixt.

36:33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattle also

concerning the vapour.

37:1 At this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

37:2 Hear attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound that goeth

out of his mouth.

37:3 He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his lightning unto

the ends of the earth.

37:4 After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his

excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.

37:5 God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth

he, which we cannot comprehend.

37:6 For he saith to the snow, Be thou on the earth; likewise to the

small rain, and to the great rain of his strength.

37:7 He sealeth up the hand of every man; that all men may know his

work.

37:8 Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their places.

37:9 Out of the south cometh the whirlwind: and cold out of the north.

37:10 By the breath of God frost is given: and the breadth of the

waters is straitened.

37:11 Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth his

bright cloud: 37:12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that

they may do whatsoever he commandeth them upon the face of the world

in the earth.

37:13 He causeth it to come, whether for correction, or for his land,

or for mercy.

37:14 Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous

works of God.

37:15 Dost thou know when God disposed them, and caused the light of

his cloud to shine? 37:16 Dost thou know the balancings of the

clouds, the wondrous works of him which is perfect in knowledge?

37:17 How thy garments are warm, when he quieteth the earth by the

south wind? 37:18 Hast thou with him spread out the sky, which is

strong, and as a molten looking glass? 37:19 Teach us what we shall

say unto him; for we cannot order our speech by reason of darkness.

37:20 Shall it be told him that I speak? if a man speak, surely he

shall be swallowed up.

37:21 And now men see not the bright light which is in the clouds: but

the wind passeth, and cleanseth them.

37:22 Fair weather cometh out of the north: with God is terrible

majesty.

37:23 Touching the Almighty, we cannot find him out: he is excellent

in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not

afflict.

37:24 Men do therefore fear him: he respecteth not any that are wise

of heart.

38:1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said, 38:2

Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge? 38:3

Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and

answer thou me.

38:4 Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth?

declare, if thou hast understanding.

38:5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath

stretched the line upon it? 38:6 Whereupon are the foundations

thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof; 38:7 When the

morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

38:8 Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it

had issued out of the womb? 38:9 When I made the cloud the garment

thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it, 38:10 And brake up

for it my decreed place, and set bars and doors, 38:11 And said,

Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud

waves be stayed? 38:12 Hast thou commanded the morning since thy

days; and caused the dayspring to know his place; 38:13 That it might

take hold of the ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken

out of it? 38:14 It is turned as clay to the seal; and they stand as

a garment.

38:15 And from the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arm

shall be broken.

38:16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou

walked in the search of the depth? 38:17 Have the gates of death been

opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?

38:18 Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou

knowest it all.

38:19 Where is the way where light dwelleth? and as for darkness,

where is the place thereof, 38:20 That thou shouldest take it to the

bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths to the house

thereof? 38:21 Knowest thou it, because thou wast then born? or

because the number of thy days is great? 38:22 Hast thou entered into

the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the

hail, 38:23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against

the day of battle and war? 38:24 By what way is the light parted,

which scattereth the east wind upon the earth? 38:25 Who hath divided

a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the

lightning of thunder; 38:26 To cause it to rain on the earth, where no

man is; on the wilderness, wherein there is no man; 38:27 To satisfy

the desolate and waste ground; and to cause the bud of the tender herb

to spring forth? 38:28 Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten

the drops of dew? 38:29 Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary

frost of heaven, who hath gendered it? 38:30 The waters are hid as

with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.

38:31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the

bands of Orion? 38:32 Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season?

or canst thou guide Arcturus with his sons? 38:33 Knowest thou the

ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the

earth? 38:34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that

abundance of waters may cover thee? 38:35 Canst thou send lightnings,

that they may go and say unto thee, Here we are? 38:36 Who hath put

wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the

heart? 38:37 Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can stay the

bottles of heaven, 38:38 When the dust groweth into hardness, and the

clods cleave fast together? 38:39 Wilt thou hunt the prey for the

lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions, 38:40 When they couch

in their dens, and abide in the covert to lie in wait? 38:41 Who

provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God,

they wander for lack of meat.

39:1 Knowest thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring

forth? or canst thou mark when the hinds do calve? 39:2 Canst thou

number the months that they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they

bring forth? 39:3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young

ones, they cast out their sorrows.

39:4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up with corn; they

go forth, and return not unto them.

39:5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands

of the wild ass? 39:6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the

barren land his dwellings.

39:7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the

crying of the driver.

39:8 The range of the mountains is his pasture, and he searcheth after

every green thing.

39:9 Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?

39:10 Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will

he harrow the valleys after thee? 39:11 Wilt thou trust him, because

his strength is great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him? 39:12

Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather it

into thy barn? 39:13 Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the peacocks?

or wings and feathers unto the ostrich? 39:14 Which leaveth her eggs

in the earth, and warmeth them in dust, 39:15 And forgetteth that the

foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.

39:16 She is hardened against her young ones, as though they were not

her's: her labour is in vain without fear; 39:17 Because God hath

deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her understanding.

39:18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse

and his rider.

39:19 Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck

with thunder? 39:20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper? the

glory of his nostrils is terrible.

39:21 He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in his strength: he goeth

on to meet the armed men.

39:22 He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he

back from the sword.

39:23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the

shield.

39:24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither

believeth he that it is the sound of the trumpet.

39:25 He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battle

afar off, the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.

39:26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward

the south? 39:27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her

nest on high? 39:28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the

crag of the rock, and the strong place.

39:29 From thence she seeketh the prey, and her eyes behold afar off.

39:30 Her young ones also suck up blood: and where the slain are,

there is she.

40:1 Moreover the LORD answered Job, and said, 40:2 Shall he that

contendeth with the Almighty instruct him? he that reproveth God, let

him answer it.

40:3 Then Job answered the LORD, and said, 40:4 Behold, I am vile;

what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.

40:5 Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will

proceed no further.

40:6 Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

40:7 Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and

declare thou unto me.

40:8 Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that

thou mayest be righteous? 40:9 Hast thou an arm like God? or canst

thou thunder with a voice like him? 40:10 Deck thyself now with

majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty.

40:11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one that is

proud, and abase him.

40:12 Look on every one that is proud, and bring him low; and tread

down the wicked in their place.

40:13 Hide them in the dust together; and bind their faces in secret.

40:14 Then will I also confess unto thee that thine own right hand can

save thee.

40:15 Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as

an ox.

40:16 Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the

navel of his belly.

40:17 He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are

wrapped together.

40:18 His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars

of iron.

40:19 He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make

his sword to approach unto him.

40:20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts

of the field play.

40:21 He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and

fens.

40:22 The shady trees cover him with their shadow; the willows of the

brook compass him about.

40:23 Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not: he trusteth

that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.

40:24 He taketh it with his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares.

41:1 Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a

cord which thou lettest down? 41:2 Canst thou put an hook into his

nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn? 41:3 Will he make many

supplications unto thee? will he speak soft words unto thee? 41:4

Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant

for ever? 41:5 Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou

bind him for thy maidens? 41:6 Shall the companions make a banquet of

him? shall they part him among the merchants? 41:7 Canst thou fill

his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears? 41:8 Lay

thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.

41:9 Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not one be cast down

even at the sight of him? 41:10 None is so fierce that dare stir him

up: who then is able to stand before me? 41:11 Who hath prevented me,

that I should repay him? whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine.

41:12 I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely

proportion.

41:13 Who can discover the face of his garment? or who can come to him

with his double bridle? 41:14 Who can open the doors of his face? his

teeth are terrible round about.

41:15 His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal.

41:16 One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.

41:17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they

cannot be sundered.

41:18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes are like the

eyelids of the morning.

41:19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, and sparks of fire leap out.

41:20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or

caldron.

41:21 His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

41:22 In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy

before him.

41:23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in

themselves; they cannot be moved.

41:24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the

nether millstone.

41:25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of

breakings they purify themselves.

41:26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the

dart, nor the habergeon.

41:27 He esteemeth iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.

41:28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him

into stubble.

41:29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a

spear.

41:30 Sharp stones are under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things

upon the mire.

41:31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a

pot of ointment.

41:32 He maketh a path to shine after him; one would think the deep to

be hoary.

41:33 Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.

41:34 He beholdeth all high things: he is a king over all the children

of pride.

42:1 Then Job answered the LORD, and said, 42:2 I know that thou canst

do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee.

42:3 Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I

uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I

knew not.

42:4 Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee,

and declare thou unto me.

42:5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye

seeth thee.

42:6 Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

42:7 And it was so, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto

Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled

against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of

me the thing that is right, as my servant Job hath.

42:8 Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go

to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and

my servant Job shall pray for you: for him will I accept: lest I deal

with you after your folly, in that ye have not spoken of me the thing

which is right, like my servant Job.

42:9 So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar the

Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the

LORD also accepted Job.

42:10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his

friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

42:11 Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters,

and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat

bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him

over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also

gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

42:12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his

beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand

camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

42:13 He had also seven sons and three daughters.

42:14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the

second, Kezia; and the name of the third, Kerenhappuch.

42:15 And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters

of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.

42:16 After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his

sons, and his sons' sons, even four generations.

42:17 So Job died, being old and full of days.

The Book of Psalms

1:1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly,

nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the

scornful.

1:2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he

meditate day and night.

1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that

bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not

wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

1:4 The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind

driveth away.

1:5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners

in the congregation of the righteous.

1:6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the

ungodly shall perish.

2:1 Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?

2:2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel

together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying,

2:3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from

us.

2:4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the LORD shall have

them in derision.

2:5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his

sore displeasure.

2:6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

2:7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my

Son; this day have I begotten thee.

2:8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine

inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

2:9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in

pieces like a potter's vessel.

2:10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of

the earth.

2:11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.

2:12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when

his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their

trust in him.

3:1 Lord, how are they increased that trouble me! many are they that

rise up against me.

3:2 Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in

God.

Selah.

3:3 But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up

of mine head.

3:4 I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his

holy hill. Selah.

3:5 I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me.

3:6 I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set

themselves against me round about.

3:7 Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine

enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the

ungodly.

3:8 Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: thy blessing is upon thy

people.

Selah.

4:1 Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged

me when I was in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

4:2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how

long will ye love vanity, and seek after leasing? Selah.

4:3 But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for

himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.

4:4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your

bed, and be still. Selah.

4:5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the

LORD.

4:6 There be many that say, Who will shew us any good? LORD, lift thou

up the light of thy countenance upon us.

4:7 Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that

their corn and their wine increased.

4:8 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only

makest me dwell in safety.

5:1 Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.

5:2 Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto

thee will I pray.

5:3 My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning

will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

5:4 For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither

shall evil dwell with thee.

5:5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers

of iniquity.

5:6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor

the bloody and deceitful man.

5:7 But as for me, I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy

mercy: and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.

5:8 Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies;

make thy way straight before my face.

5:9 For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is

very wickedness; their throat is an open sepulchre; they flatter with

their tongue.

5:10 Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels;

cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have

rebelled against thee.

5:11 But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them

ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that

love thy name be joyful in thee.

5:12 For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou

compass him as with a shield.

6:1 O LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy

hot displeasure.

6:2 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; for I am weak: O LORD, heal me; for my

bones are vexed.

6:3 My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?

6:4 Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake.

6:5 For in death there is no remembrance of thee: in the grave who

shall give thee thanks?

6:6 I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim;

I water my couch with my tears.

6:7 Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of

all mine enemies.

6:8 Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath

heard the voice of my weeping.

6:9 The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my

prayer.

6:10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return

and be ashamed suddenly.

7:1 O LORD my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them

that persecute me, and deliver me:

7:2 Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending it in pieces, while

there is none to deliver.

7:3 O LORD my God, If I have done this; if there be iniquity in my

hands;

7:4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that was at peace with me; (yea,

I have delivered him that without cause is mine enemy:)

7:5 Let the enemy persecute my soul, and take it; yea, let him tread

down my life upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.

7:6 Arise, O LORD, in thine anger, lift up thyself because of the rage

of mine enemies: and awake for me to the judgment that thou hast

commanded.

7:7 So shall the congregation of the people compass thee about: for

their sakes therefore return thou on high.

7:8 The LORD shall judge the people: judge me, O LORD, according to my

righteousness, and according to mine integrity that is in me.

7:9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish

the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.

7:10 My defence is of God, which saveth the upright in heart.

7:11 God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every

day.

7:12 If he turn not, he will whet his sword; he hath bent his bow, and

made it ready.

7:13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; he

ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.

7:14 Behold, he travaileth with iniquity, and hath conceived mischief,

and brought forth falsehood.

7:15 He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch which

he made.

7:16 His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent

dealing shall come down upon his own pate.

7:17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousness: and will

sing praise to the name of the LORD most high.

8:1 O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who

hast set thy glory above the heavens.

8:2 Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained

strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy

and the avenger.

8:3 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and

the stars, which thou hast ordained;

8:4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man,

that thou visitest him?

8:5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast

crowned him with glory and honour.

8:6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou

hast put all things under his feet:

8:7 All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;

8:8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever

passeth through the paths of the seas.

8:9 O LORD our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!

9:1 I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth

all thy marvellous works.

9:2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy

name, O thou most High.

9:3 When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at

thy presence.

9:4 For thou hast maintained my right and my cause; thou satest in the

throne judging right.

9:5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked,

thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.

9:6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: and thou

hast destroyed cities; their memorial is perished with them.

9:7 But the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne

for judgment.

9:8 And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister

judgment to the people in uprightness.

9:9 The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in

times of trouble.

9:10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for

thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.

9:11 Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among

the people his doings.

9:12 When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: he

forgetteth not the cry of the humble.

9:13 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; consider my trouble which I suffer of

them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of death:

9:14 That I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter

of Zion: I will rejoice in thy salvation.

9:15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made: in the net

which they hid is their own foot taken.

9:16 The LORD is known by the judgment which he executeth: the wicked

is snared in the work of his own hands. Higgaion. Selah.

9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that

forget God.

9:18 For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of

the poor shall not perish for ever.

9:19 Arise, O LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in

thy sight.

9:20 Put them in fear, O LORD: that the nations may know themselves to

be but men. Selah.

10:1 Why standest thou afar off, O LORD? why hidest thou thyself in

times of trouble?

10:2 The wicked in his pride doth persecute the poor: let them be

taken in the devices that they have imagined.

10:3 For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the

covetous, whom the LORD abhorreth.

10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek

after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

10:5 His ways are always grievous; thy judgments are far above out of

his sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them.

10:6 He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: for I shall

never be in adversity.

10:7 His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud: under his

tongue is mischief and vanity.

10:8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret

places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes are privily set against

the poor.

10:9 He lieth in wait secretly as a lion in his den: he lieth in wait

to catch the poor: he doth catch the poor, when he draweth him into

his net.

10:10 He croucheth, and humbleth himself, that the poor may fall by

his strong ones.

10:11 He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: he hideth his

face; he will never see it.

10:12 Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up thine hand: forget not the humble.

10:13 Wherefore doth the wicked contemn God? he hath said in his

heart, Thou wilt not require it.

10:14 Thou hast seen it; for thou beholdest mischief and spite, to

requite it with thy hand: the poor committeth himself unto thee; thou

art the helper of the fatherless.

10:15 Break thou the arm of the wicked and the evil man: seek out his

wickedness till thou find none.

10:16 The LORD is King for ever and ever: the heathen are perished out

of his land.

10:17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt

prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:

10:18 To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the

earth may no more oppress.

11:1 In the LORD put I my trust: how say ye to my soul, Flee as a bird

to your mountain?

11:2 For, lo, the wicked bend their bow, they make ready their arrow

upon the string, that they may privily shoot at the upright in heart.

11:3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

11:4 The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD's throne is in heaven:

his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

11:5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth

violence his soul hateth.

11:6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an

horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup.

11:7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth

behold the upright.

12:1 Help, LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from

among the children of men.

12:2 They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: with flattering

lips and with a double heart do they speak.

12:3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that

speaketh proud things:

12:4 Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips are our

own: who is lord over us?

12:5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now

will I arise, saith the LORD; I will set him in safety from him that

puffeth at him.

12:6 The words of the LORD are pure words: as silver tried in a

furnace of earth, purified seven times.

12:7 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this

generation for ever.

12:8 The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted.

13:1 How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? how long wilt

thou hide thy face from me?

13:2 How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my

heart daily? how long shall mine enemy be exalted over me?

13:3 Consider and hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I

sleep the sleep of death;

13:4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; and those that

trouble me rejoice when I am moved.

13:5 But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy

salvation.

13:6 I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with

me.

14:1 The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are

corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth

good.

14:2 The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see

if there were any that did understand, and seek God.

14:3 They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy:

there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

14:4 Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my

people as they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.

14:5 There were they in great fear: for God is in the generation of

the righteous.

14:6 Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor, because the LORD is his

refuge.

14:7 Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! when the

LORD bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice,

and Israel shall be glad.

15:1 Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy

holy hill?

15:2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and

speaketh the truth in his heart.

15:3 He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his

neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.

15:4 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them

that fear the LORD. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth

not.

15:5 He that putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward

against the innocent. He that doeth these things shall never be moved.

16:1 Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.

16:2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou art my Lord: my

goodness extendeth not to thee;

16:3 But to the saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent, in

whom is all my delight.

16:4 Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god:

their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their

names into my lips.

16:5 The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou

maintainest my lot.

16:6 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a

goodly heritage.

16:7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also

instruct me in the night seasons.

16:8 I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right

hand, I shall not be moved.

16:9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also

shall rest in hope.

16:10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou

suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

16:11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness

of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

17:1 Hear the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my

prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.

17:2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes

behold the things that are equal.

17:3 Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited me in the night;

thou hast tried me, and shalt find nothing; I am purposed that my

mouth shall not transgress.

17:4 Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept

me from the paths of the destroyer.

17:5 Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.

17:6 I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God: incline

thine ear unto me, and hear my speech.

17:7 Shew thy marvellous lovingkindness, O thou that savest by thy

right hand them which put their trust in thee from those that rise up

against them.

17:8 Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy

wings,

17:9 From the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who

compass me about.

17:10 They are inclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak

proudly.

17:11 They have now compassed us in our steps: they have set their

eyes bowing down to the earth;

17:12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey, and as it were a

young lion lurking in secret places.

17:13 Arise, O LORD, disappoint him, cast him down: deliver my soul

from the wicked, which is thy sword:

17:14 From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world,

which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest

with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest

of their substance to their babes.

17:15 As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be

satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.

18:1 I will love thee, O LORD, my strength.

18:2 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God,

my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my

salvation, and my high tower.

18:3 I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised: so shall

I be saved from mine enemies.

18:4 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men

made me afraid.

18:5 The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death

prevented me.

18:6 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he

heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even

into his ears.

18:7 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the

hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.

18:8 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his

mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

18:9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness was under

his feet.

18:10 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the

wings of the wind.

18:11 He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him

were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

18:12 At the brightness that was before him his thick clouds passed,

hail stones and coals of fire.

18:13 The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his

voice; hail stones and coals of fire.

18:14 Yea, he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; and he shot out

lightnings, and discomfited them.

18:15 Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of

the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the

breath of thy nostrils.

18:16 He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of many waters.

18:17 He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated

me: for they were too strong for me.

18:18 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my

stay.

18:19 He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me,

because he delighted in me.

18:20 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to

the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

18:21 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly

departed from my God.

18:22 For all his judgments were before me, and I did not put away his

statutes from me.

18:23 I was also upright before him, and I kept myself from mine

iniquity.

18:24 Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my

righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.

18:25 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an

upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright;

18:26 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward

thou wilt shew thyself froward.

18:27 For thou wilt save the afflicted people; but wilt bring down

high looks.

18:28 For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my

darkness.

18:29 For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I

leaped over a wall.

18:30 As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried:

he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

18:31 For who is God save the LORD? or who is a rock save our God?

18:32 It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way

perfect.

18:33 He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high

places.

18:34 He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by

mine arms.

18:35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy

right hand hath holden me up, and thy gentleness hath made me great.

18:36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.

18:37 I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I

turn again till they were consumed.

18:38 I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are

fallen under my feet.

18:39 For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast

subdued under me those that rose up against me.

18:40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might

destroy them that hate me.

18:41 They cried, but there was none to save them: even unto the LORD,

but he answered them not.

18:42 Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did

cast them out as the dirt in the streets.

18:43 Thou hast delivered me from the strivings of the people; and

thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people whom I have not

known shall serve me.

18:44 As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: the strangers

shall submit themselves unto me.

18:45 The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close

places.

18:46 The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock; and let the God of my

salvation be exalted.

18:47 It is God that avengeth me, and subdueth the people under me.

18:48 He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up

above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the

violent man.

18:49 Therefore will I give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the

heathen, and sing praises unto thy name.

18:50 Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to

his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore.

19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth

his handywork.

19:2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth

knowledge.

19:3 There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

19:4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to

the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

19:5 Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth

as a strong man to run a race.

19:6 His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit

unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the

testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

19:8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the

commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.

19:9 The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments

of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.

19:10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold:

sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

19:11 Moreover by them is thy servant warned: and in keeping of them

there is great reward.

19:12 Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret

faults.

19:13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not

have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be

innocent from the great transgression.

19:14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be

acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

20:1 The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of

Jacob defend thee;

20:2 Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of

Zion;

20:3 Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice;

Selah.

20:4 Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy

counsel.

20:5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we

will set up our banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.

20:6 Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him

from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand.

20:7 Some trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember

the name of the LORD our God.

20:8 They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand

upright.

20:9 Save, LORD: let the king hear us when we call.

21:1 The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation

how greatly shall he rejoice!

21:2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden

the request of his lips. Selah.

21:3 For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou

settest a crown of pure gold on his head.

21:4 He asked life of thee, and thou gavest it him, even length of

days for ever and ever.

21:5 His glory is great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou

laid upon him.

21:6 For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: thou hast made him

exceeding glad with thy countenance.

21:7 For the king trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the

most High he shall not be moved.

21:8 Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies: thy right hand shall

find out those that hate thee.

21:9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger:

the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour

them.

21:10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed

from among the children of men.

21:11 For they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous

device, which they are not able to perform.

21:12 Therefore shalt thou make them turn their back, when thou shalt

make ready thine arrows upon thy strings against the face of them.

21:13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: so will we sing

and praise thy power.

22:1 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far

from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?

22:2 O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the

night season, and am not silent.

22:3 But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.

22:4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver

them.

22:5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee,

and were not confounded.

22:6 But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of

the people.

22:7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip,

they shake the head, saying,

22:8 He trusted on the LORD that he would deliver him: let him deliver

him, seeing he delighted in him.

22:9 But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me

hope when I was upon my mother's breasts.

22:10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou art my God from my

mother's belly.

22:11 Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to

help.

22:12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset

me round.

22:13 They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a

roaring lion.

22:14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint:

my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.

22:15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth

to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.

22:16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have

inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.

22:17 I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me.

22:18 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.

22:19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee

to help me.

22:20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the

dog.

22:21 Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the

horns of the unicorns.

22:22 I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the

congregation will I praise thee.

22:23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob,

glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.

22:24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the

afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him; but when he cried

unto him, he heard.

22:25 My praise shall be of thee in the great congregation: I will pay

my vows before them that fear him.

22:26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD

that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.

22:27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD:

and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.

22:28 For the kingdom is the LORD's: and he is the governor among the

nations.

22:29 All they that be fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they

that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive

his own soul.

22:30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a

generation.

22:31 They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a

people that shall be born, that he hath done this.

23:1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

23:2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside

the still waters.

23:3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness

for his name's sake.

23:4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I

will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they

comfort me.

23:5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my

life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

24:1 The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and

they that dwell therein.

24:2 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the

floods.

24:3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in

his holy place?

24:4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted

up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.

24:5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness

from the God of his salvation.

24:6 This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face,

O Jacob. Selah.

24:7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting

doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

24:8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD

mighty in battle.

24:9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting

doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

24:10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of

glory. Selah.

25:1 Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.

25:2 O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine

enemies triumph over me.

25:3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed

which transgress without cause.

25:4 Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.

25:5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my

salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

25:6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses;

for they have been ever of old.

25:7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions:

according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O

LORD.

25:8 Good and upright is the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in

the way.

25:9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach

his way.

25:10 All the paths of the LORD are mercy and truth unto such as keep

his covenant and his testimonies.

25:11 For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it is

great.

25:12 What man is he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the

way that he shall choose.

25:13 His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the

earth.

25:14 The secret of the LORD is with them that fear him; and he will

shew them his covenant.

25:15 Mine eyes are ever toward the LORD; for he shall pluck my feet

out of the net.

25:16 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and

afflicted.

25:17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged: O bring thou me out of my

distresses.

25:18 Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins.

25:19 Consider mine enemies; for they are many; and they hate me with

cruel hatred.

25:20 O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put

my trust in thee.

25:21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.

25:22 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

26:1 Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have

trusted also in the LORD; therefore I shall not slide.

26:2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

26:3 For thy lovingkindness is before mine eyes: and I have walked in

thy truth.

26:4 I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with

dissemblers.

26:5 I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit

with the wicked.

26:6 I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine

altar, O LORD:

26:7 That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of

all thy wondrous works.

26:8 LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place

where thine honour dwelleth.

26:9 Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloody men:

26:10 In whose hands is mischief, and their right hand is full of

bribes.

26:11 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be

merciful unto me.

26:12 My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I

bless the LORD.

27:1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the

LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

27:2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to

eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.

27:3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear:

though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

27:4 One thing have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after;

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to

behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.

27:5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in

the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon

a rock.

27:6 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round

about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy;

I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.

27:7 Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me,

and answer me.

27:8 When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy

face, LORD, will I seek.

27:9 Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger:

thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my

salvation.

27:10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take

me up.

27:11 Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because

of mine enemies.

27:12 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false

witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

27:13 I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the

LORD in the land of the living.

27:14 Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen

thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.

28:1 Unto thee will I cry, O LORD my rock; be not silent to me: lest,

if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.

28:2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I

lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle.

28:3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of

iniquity, which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief is in

their hearts.

28:4 Give them according to their deeds, and according to the

wickedness of their endeavours: give them after the work of their

hands; render to them their desert.

28:5 Because they regard not the works of the LORD, nor the operation

of his hands, he shall destroy them, and not build them up.

28:6 Blessed be the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my

supplications.

28:7 The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him,

and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my

song will I praise him.

28:8 The LORD is their strength, and he is the saving strength of his

anointed.

28:9 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and

lift them up for ever.

29:1 Give unto the LORD, O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and

strength.

29:2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD

in the beauty of holiness.

29:3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters: the God of glory

thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters.

29:4 The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full

of majesty.

29:5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh

the cedars of Lebanon.

29:6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like

a young unicorn.

29:7 The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire.

29:8 The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh

the wilderness of Kadesh.

29:9 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth

the forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.

29:10 The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for

ever.

29:11 The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless

his people with peace.

30:1 I will extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast

not made my foes to rejoice over me.

30:2 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

30:3 O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast

kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

30:4 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the

remembrance of his holiness.

30:5 For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life:

weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

30:6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.

30:7 LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong:

thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.

30:8 I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication.

30:9 What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit?

Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?

30:10 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.

30:11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put

off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;

30:12 To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be

silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

31:1 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed:

deliver me in thy righteousness.

31:2 Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou my strong

rock, for an house of defence to save me.

31:3 For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's

sake lead me, and guide me.

31:4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for

thou art my strength.

31:5 Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD

God of truth.

31:6 I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the

LORD.

31:7 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered

my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities;

31:8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set

my feet in a large room.

31:9 Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is

consumed with grief, yea, my soul and my belly.

31:10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my

strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

31:11 I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my

neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me

without fled from me.

31:12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken

vessel.

31:13 For I have heard the slander of many: fear was on every side:

while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away

my life.

31:14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my God.

31:15 My times are in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine

enemies, and from them that persecute me.

31:16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy

mercies' sake.

31:17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let

the wicked be ashamed, and let them be silent in the grave.

31:18 Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous

things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.

31:19 Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them

that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee

before the sons of men!

31:20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the

pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the

strife of tongues.

31:21 Blessed be the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous

kindness in a strong city.

31:22 For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes:

nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried

unto thee.

31:23 O love the LORD, all ye his saints: for the LORD preserveth the

faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.

31:24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye

that hope in the LORD.

32:1 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is

covered.

32:2 Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and

in whose spirit there is no guile.

32:3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all

the day long.

32:4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is

turned into the drought of summer. Selah.

32:5 I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid.

I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou

forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

32:6 For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time

when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they

shall not come nigh unto him.

32:7 Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble;

thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

32:8 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt

go: I will guide thee with mine eye.

32:9 Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule, which have no

understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest

they come near unto thee.

32:10 Many sorrows shall be to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the

LORD, mercy shall compass him about.

32:11 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for

joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

33:1 Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the

upright.

33:2 Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an

instrument of ten strings.

33:3 Sing unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.

33:4 For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are done in

truth.

33:5 He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the

goodness of the LORD.

33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host

of them by the breath of his mouth.

33:7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth

up the depth in storehouses.

33:8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the

world stand in awe of him.

33:9 For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast.

33:10 The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he

maketh the devices of the people of none effect.

33:11 The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his

heart to all generations.

33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people whom

he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

33:13 The LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.

33:14 From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the

inhabitants of the earth.

33:15 He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their

works.

33:16 There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man

is not delivered by much strength.

33:17 An horse is a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver

any by his great strength.

33:18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, upon

them that hope in his mercy;

33:19 To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in

famine.

33:20 Our soul waiteth for the LORD: he is our help and our shield.

33:21 For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in

his holy name.

33:22 Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.

34:1 I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually

be in my mouth.

34:2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear

thereof, and be glad.

34:3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

34:4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my

fears.

34:5 They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were

not ashamed.

34:6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of

all his troubles.

34:7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him,

and delivereth them.

34:8 O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that

trusteth in him.

34:9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that

fear him.

34:10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek

the LORD shall not want any good thing.

34:11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of

the LORD.

34:12 What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he

may see good?

34:13 Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.

34:14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

34:15 The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are

open unto their cry.

34:16 The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off

the remembrance of them from the earth.

34:17 The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out

of all their troubles.

34:18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and

saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD

delivereth him out of them all.

34:20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.

34:21 Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous

shall be desolate.

34:22 The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them

that trust in him shall be desolate.

35:1 Plead my cause, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight

against them that fight against me.

35:2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.

35:3 Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that

persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy salvation.

35:4 Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul:

let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.

35:5 Let them be as chaff before the wind: and let the angel of the

LORD chase them.

35:6 Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD

persecute them.

35:7 For without cause have they hid for me their net in a pit, which

without cause they have digged for my soul.

35:8 Let destruction come upon him at unawares; and let his net that

he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.

35:9 And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his

salvation.

35:10 All my bones shall say, LORD, who is like unto thee, which

deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor

and the needy from him that spoileth him?

35:11 False witnesses did rise up; they laid to my charge things that

I knew not.

35:12 They rewarded me evil for good to the spoiling of my soul.

35:13 But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I

humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own

bosom.

35:14 I behaved myself as though he had been my friend or brother: I

bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

35:15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves

together: yea, the abjects gathered themselves together against me,

and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not:

35:16 With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with

their teeth.

35:17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their

destructions, my darling from the lions.

35:18 I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise

thee among much people.

35:19 Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me:

neither let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.

35:20 For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters

against them that are quiet in the land.

35:21 Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, and said, Aha,

aha, our eye hath seen it.

35:22 This thou hast seen, O LORD: keep not silence: O Lord, be not

far from me.

35:23 Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, even unto my cause,

my God and my Lord.

35:24 Judge me, O LORD my God, according to thy righteousness; and let

them not rejoice over me.

35:25 Let them not say in their hearts, Ah, so would we have it: let

them not say, We have swallowed him up.

35:26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that

rejoice at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonour

that magnify themselves against me.

35:27 Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous

cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which

hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

35:28 And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness and of thy praise

all the day long.

36:1 The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there

is no fear of God before his eyes.

36:2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be

found to be hateful.

36:3 The words of his mouth are iniquity and deceit: he hath left off

to be wise, and to do good.

36:4 He deviseth mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way

that is not good; he abhorreth not evil.

36:5 Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness

reacheth unto the clouds.

36:6 Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are

a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.

36:7 How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the

children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

36:8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house;

and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.

36:9 For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see

light.

36:10 O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy

righteousness to the upright in heart.

36:11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand

of the wicked remove me.

36:12 There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down,

and shall not be able to rise.

37:1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious

against the workers of iniquity.

37:2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the

green herb.

37:3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land,

and verily thou shalt be fed.

37:4 Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the

desires of thine heart.

37:5 Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall

bring it to pass.

37:6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy

judgment as the noonday.

37:7 Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself

because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who

bringeth wicked devices to pass.

37:8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise

to do evil.

37:9 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the

LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

37:10 For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou

shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.

37:11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight

themselves in the abundance of peace.

37:12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with

his teeth.

37:13 The LORD shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is

coming.

37:14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to

cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as be of upright

conversation.

37:15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows

shall be broken.

37:16 A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of

many wicked.

37:17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD

upholdeth the righteous.

37:18 The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance

shall be for ever.

37:19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of

famine they shall be satisfied.

37:20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD shall

be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they

consume away.

37:21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous

sheweth mercy, and giveth.

37:22 For such as be blessed of him shall inherit the earth; and they

that be cursed of him shall be cut off.

37:23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD: and he

delighteth in his way.

37:24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD

upholdeth him with his hand.

37:25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the

righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

37:26 He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.

37:27 Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.

37:28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they

are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

37:29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for

ever.

37:30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue

talketh of judgment.

37:31 The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall

slide.

37:32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

37:33 The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he

is judged.

37:34 Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to

inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.

37:35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself

like a green bay tree.

37:36 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but

he could not be found.

37:37 Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of

that man is peace.

37:38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of

the wicked shall be cut off.

37:39 But the salvation of the righteous is of the LORD: he is their

strength in the time of trouble.

37:40 And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver

them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.

38:1 O lord, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot

displeasure.

38:2 For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.

38:3 There is no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither

is there any rest in my bones because of my sin.

38:4 For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden

they are too heavy for me.

38:5 My wounds stink and are corrupt because of my foolishness.

38:6 I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day

long.

38:7 For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease: and there is no

soundness in my flesh.

38:8 I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the

disquietness of my heart.

38:9 Lord, all my desire is before thee; and my groaning is not hid

from thee.

38:10 My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of

mine eyes, it also is gone from me.

38:11 My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my

kinsmen stand afar off.

38:12 They also that seek after my life lay snares for me: and they

that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all

the day long.

38:13 But I, as a deaf man, heard not; and I was as a dumb man that

openeth not his mouth.

38:14 Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth are no

reproofs.

38:15 For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.

38:16 For I said, Hear me, lest otherwise they should rejoice over me:

when my foot slippeth, they magnify themselves against me.

38:17 For I am ready to halt, and my sorrow is continually before me.

38:18 For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.

38:19 But mine enemies are lively, and they are strong: and they that

hate me wrongfully are multiplied.

38:20 They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries;

because I follow the thing that good is.

38:21 Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.

38:22 Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation.

39:1 I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my

tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before

me.

39:2 I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, even from good; and my

sorrow was stirred.

39:3 My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned:

then spake I with my tongue,

39:4 LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what

it is: that I may know how frail I am.

39:5 Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is

as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state is

altogether vanity.

Selah.

39:6 Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are

disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall

gather them.

39:7 And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee.

39:8 Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach

of the foolish.

39:9 I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst it.

39:10 Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of

thine hand.

39:11 When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou

makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man is

vanity. Selah.

39:12 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy

peace at my tears: for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as

all my fathers were.

39:13 O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and

be no more.

40:1 I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and

heard my cry.

40:2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry

clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

40:3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God:

many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

40:4 Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and

respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

40:5 Many, O LORD my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast

done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned

up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are

more than can be numbered.

40:6 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou

opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.

40:7 Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written

of me,

40:8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my

heart.

40:9 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I

have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.

40:10 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have

declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy

lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.

40:11 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy

lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.

40:12 For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities

have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are

more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me.

40:13 Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help

me.

40:14 Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my

soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that

wish me evil.

40:15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto

me, Aha, aha.

40:16 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let

such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.

40:17 But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art

my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.

41:1 Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver

him in time of trouble.

41:2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be

blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of

his enemies.

41:3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou

wilt make all his bed in his sickness.

41:4 I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have

sinned against thee.

41:5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name

perish?

41:6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth

iniquity to itself; when he goeth abroad, he telleth it.

41:7 All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they

devise my hurt.

41:8 An evil disease, say they, cleaveth fast unto him: and now that

he lieth he shall rise up no more.

41:9 Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat

of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

41:10 But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I

may requite them.

41:11 By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth

not triumph over me.

41:12 And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest

me before thy face for ever.

41:13 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to

everlasting. Amen, and Amen.

42:1 As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul

after thee, O God.

42:2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come

and appear before God?

42:3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually

say unto me, Where is thy God?

42:4 When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me: for I had

gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with

the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.

42:5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in

me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his

countenance.

42:6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I

remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the

hill Mizar.

42:7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy

waves and thy billows are gone over me.

42:8 Yet the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the day time, and

in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of

my life.

42:9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I

mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

42:10 As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while

they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?

42:11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted

within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the

health of my countenance, and my God.

43:1 Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O

deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.

43:2 For thou art the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off?

why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?

43:3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them

bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.

43:4 Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy:

yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.

43:5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted

within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, who is the health

of my countenance, and my God.

44:1 We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us,

what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

44:2 How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst

them; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.

44:3 For they got not the land in possession by their own sword,

neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine

arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour

unto them.

44:4 Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.

44:5 Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will

we tread them under that rise up against us.

44:6 For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

44:7 But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to

shame that hated us.

44:8 In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever.

Selah.

44:9 But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth

with our armies.

44:10 Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate

us spoil for themselves.

44:11 Thou hast given us like sheep appointed for meat; and hast

scattered us among the heathen.

44:12 Thou sellest thy people for nought, and dost not increase thy

wealth by their price.

44:13 Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a

derision to them that are round about us.

44:14 Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head

among the people.

44:15 My confusion is continually before me, and the shame of my face

hath covered me,

44:16 For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason

of the enemy and avenger.

44:17 All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee,

neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.

44:18 Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined

from thy way;

44:19 Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and

covered us with the shadow of death.

44:20 If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our

hands to a strange god;

44:21 Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the

heart.

44:22 Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted

as sheep for the slaughter.

44:23 Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast us not off for

ever.

44:24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and forgettest our affliction

and our oppression?

44:25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto

the earth.

44:26 Arise for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake.

45:1 My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I

have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

45:2 Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into

thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.

45:3 Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O most mighty, with thy glory and

thy majesty.

45:4 And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and

meekness and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee

terrible things.

45:5 Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies;

whereby the people fall under thee.

45:6 Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy

kingdom is a right sceptre.

45:7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God,

thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy

fellows.

45:8 All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of

the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

45:9 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right

hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.

45:10 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget

also thine own people, and thy father's house;

45:11 So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord;

and worship thou him.

45:12 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the

rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.

45:13 The king's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of

wrought gold.

45:14 She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the

virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.

45:15 With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall

enter into the king's palace.

45:16 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest

make princes in all the earth.

45:17 I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations:

therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever.

46:1 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

46:2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and

though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

46:3 Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the

mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.

46:4 There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of

God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High.

46:5 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall

help her, and that right early.

46:6 The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice,

the earth melted.

46:7 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Selah.

46:8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made

in the earth.

46:9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh

the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in

the fire.

46:10 Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the

heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

46:11 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Selah.

47:1 O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice

of triumph.

47:2 For the LORD most high is terrible; he is a great King over all

the earth.

47:3 He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our

feet.

47:4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob

whom he loved. Selah.

47:5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a

trumpet.

47:6 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King,

sing praises.

47:7 For God is the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with

understanding.

47:8 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his

holiness.

47:9 The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people

of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth belong unto God:

he is greatly exalted.

48:1 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our

God, in the mountain of his holiness.

48:2 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount

Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

48:3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

48:4 For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.

48:5 They saw it, and so they marvelled; they were troubled, and

hasted away.

48:6 Fear took hold upon them there, and pain, as of a woman in

travail.

48:7 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.

48:8 As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of

hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever. Selah.

48:9 We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy

temple.

48:10 According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of

the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.

48:11 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad,

because of thy judgments.

48:12 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers

thereof.

48:13 Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may

tell it to the generation following.

48:14 For this God is our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide

even unto death.

49:1 Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the

world:

49:2 Both low and high, rich and poor, together.

49:3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart

shall be of understanding.

49:4 I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying

upon the harp.

49:5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, when the iniquity of

my heels shall compass me about?

49:6 They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the

multitude of their riches;

49:7 None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God

a ransom for him:

49:8 (For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for

ever:)

49:9 That he should still live for ever, and not see corruption.

49:10 For he seeth that wise men die, likewise the fool and the

brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others.

49:11 Their inward thought is, that their houses shall continue for

ever, and their dwelling places to all generations; they call their

lands after their own names.

49:12 Nevertheless man being in honour abideth not: he is like the

beasts that perish.

49:13 This their way is their folly: yet their posterity approve their

sayings. Selah.

49:14 Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them;

and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and

their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling.

49:15 But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he

shall receive me. Selah.

49:16 Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his

house is increased;

49:17 For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall

not descend after him.

49:18 Though while he lived he blessed his soul: and men will praise

thee, when thou doest well to thyself.

49:19 He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never

see light.

49:20 Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts

that perish.

50:1 The mighty God, even the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth

from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.

50:2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.

50:3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall

devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.

50:4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that

he may judge his people.

50:5 Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a

covenant with me by sacrifice.

50:6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God is judge

himself. Selah.

50:7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify

against thee: I am God, even thy God.

50:8 I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt

offerings, to have been continually before me.

50:9 I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy

folds.

50:10 For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a

thousand hills.

50:11 I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of

the field are mine.

50:12 If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world is mine,

and the fulness thereof.

50:13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

50:14 Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most

High:

50:15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and

thou shalt glorify me.

50:16 But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare

my statutes, or that thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth?

50:17 Seeing thou hatest instruction, and casteth my words behind

thee.

50:18 When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and

hast been partaker with adulterers.

50:19 Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.

50:20 Thou sittest and speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest

thine own mother's son.

50:21 These things hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest

that I was altogether such an one as thyself: but I will reprove thee,

and set them in order before thine eyes.

50:22 Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear you in

pieces, and there be none to deliver.

50:23 Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth

his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God.

51:1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness:

according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my

transgressions.

51:2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

51:3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before

me.

51:4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy

sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be

clear when thou judgest.

51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother

conceive me.

51:6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the

hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

51:7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall

be whiter than snow.

51:8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast

broken may rejoice.

51:9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit

within me.

51:11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit

from me.

51:12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy

free spirit.

51:13 Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be

converted unto thee.

51:14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my

salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.

51:15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy

praise.

51:16 For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou

delightest not in burnt offering.

51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a

contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

51:18 Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of

Jerusalem.

51:19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness,

with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer

bullocks upon thine altar.

52:1 Why boastest thou thyself in mischief, O mighty man? the goodness

of God endureth continually.

52:2 The tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working

deceitfully.

52:3 Thou lovest evil more than good; and lying rather than to speak

righteousness. Selah.

52:4 Thou lovest all devouring words, O thou deceitful tongue.

52:5 God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee

away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place, and root thee out of

the land of the living. Selah.

52:6 The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:

52:7 Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted

in the abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his

wickedness.

52:8 But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in

the mercy of God for ever and ever.

52:9 I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done it: and I

will wait on thy name; for it is good before thy saints.

53:1 The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are

they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth

good.

53:2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if

there were any that did understand, that did seek God.

53:3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become

filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

53:4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people

as they eat bread: they have not called upon God.

53:5 There were they in great fear, where no fear was: for God hath

scattered the bones of him that encampeth against thee: thou hast put

them to shame, because God hath despised them.

53:6 Oh that the salvation of Israel were come out of Zion! When God

bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and

Israel shall be glad.

54:1 Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.

54:2 Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

54:3 For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after

my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.

54:4 Behold, God is mine helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my

soul.

54:5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them off in thy

truth.

54:6 I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O

LORD; for it is good.

54:7 For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath

seen his desire upon mine enemies.

55:1 Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my

supplication.

55:2 Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a

noise;

55:3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of

the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.

55:4 My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are

fallen upon me.

55:5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath

overwhelmed me.

55:6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! for then would I fly

away, and be at rest.

55:7 Lo, then would I wander far off, and remain in the wilderness.

Selah.

55:8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm and tempest.

55:9 Destroy, O Lord, and divide their tongues: for I have seen

violence and strife in the city.

55:10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: mischief

also and sorrow are in the midst of it.

55:11 Wickedness is in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not

from her streets.

55:12 For it was not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have

borne it: neither was it he that hated me that did magnify himself

against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

55:13 But it was thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine

acquaintance.

55:14 We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God

in company.

55:15 Let death seize upon them, and let them go down quick into hell:

for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

55:16 As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.

55:17 Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud:

and he shall hear my voice.

55:18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was

against me: for there were many with me.

55:19 God shall hear, and afflict them, even he that abideth of old.

Selah. Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.

55:20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with

him: he hath broken his covenant.

55:21 The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in

his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords.

55:22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he

shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.

55:23 But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of

destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their

days; but I will trust in thee.

56:1 Be merciful unto me, O God: for man would swallow me up; he

fighting daily oppresseth me.

56:2 Mine enemies would daily swallow me up: for they be many that

fight against me, O thou most High.

56:3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

56:4 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will

not fear what flesh can do unto me.

56:5 Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts are against me

for evil.

56:6 They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark

my steps, when they wait for my soul.

56:7 Shall they escape by iniquity? in thine anger cast down the

people, O God.

56:8 Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle:

are they not in thy book?

56:9 When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I

know; for God is for me.

56:10 In God will I praise his word: in the LORD will I praise his

word.

56:11 In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do

unto me.

56:12 Thy vows are upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee.

56:13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death: wilt not thou

deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light

of the living?

57:1 Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul

trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my

refuge, until these calamities be overpast.

57:2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all

things for me.

57:3 He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him

that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and

his truth.

57:4 My soul is among lions: and I lie even among them that are set on

fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and

their tongue a sharp sword.

57:5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be above

all the earth.

57:6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down:

they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are

fallen themselves. Selah.

57:7 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give

praise.

57:8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake

early.

57:9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto

thee among the nations.

57:10 For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the

clouds.

57:11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: let thy glory be

above all the earth.

58:1 Do ye indeed speak righteousness, O congregation? do ye judge

uprightly, O ye sons of men?

58:2 Yea, in heart ye work wickedness; ye weigh the violence of your

hands in the earth.

58:3 The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as

they be born, speaking lies.

58:4 Their poison is like the poison of a serpent: they are like the

deaf adder that stoppeth her ear;

58:5 Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming never

so wisely.

58:6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: break out the great

teeth of the young lions, O LORD.

58:7 Let them melt away as waters which run continually: when he

bendeth his bow to shoot his arrows, let them be as cut in pieces.

58:8 As a snail which melteth, let every one of them pass away: like

the untimely birth of a woman, that they may not see the sun.

58:9 Before your pots can feel the thorns, he shall take them away as

with a whirlwind, both living, and in his wrath.

58:10 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he

shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked.

58:11 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the

righteous: verily he is a God that judgeth in the earth.

59:1 Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that

rise up against me.

59:2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloody

men.

59:3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul: the mighty are gathered

against me; not for my transgression, nor for my sin, O LORD.

59:4 They run and prepare themselves without my fault: awake to help

me, and behold.

59:5 Thou therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to

visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors.

Selah.

59:6 They return at evening: they make a noise like a dog, and go

round about the city.

59:7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth: swords are in their

lips: for who, say they, doth hear?

59:8 But thou, O LORD, shalt laugh at them; thou shalt have all the

heathen in derision.

59:9 Because of his strength will I wait upon thee: for God is my

defence.

59:10 The God of my mercy shall prevent me: God shall let me see my

desire upon mine enemies.

59:11 Slay them not, lest my people forget: scatter them by thy power;

and bring them down, O Lord our shield.

59:12 For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips let them

even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they

speak.

59:13 Consume them in wrath, consume them, that they may not be: and

let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth.

Selah.

59:14 And at evening let them return; and let them make a noise like a

dog, and go round about the city.

59:15 Let them wander up and down for meat, and grudge if they be not

satisfied.

59:16 But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy

mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the

day of my trouble.

59:17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defence,

and the God of my mercy.

60:1 O God, thou hast cast us off, thou hast scattered us, thou hast

been displeased; O turn thyself to us again.

60:2 Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heal

the breaches thereof; for it shaketh.

60:3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: thou hast made us to

drink the wine of astonishment.

60:4 Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be

displayed because of the truth. Selah.

60:5 That thy beloved may be delivered; save with thy right hand, and

hear me.

60:6 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide

Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

60:7 Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine; Ephraim also is the

strength of mine head; Judah is my lawgiver;

60:8 Moab is my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe: Philistia,

triumph thou because of me.

60:9 Who will bring me into the strong city? who will lead me into

Edom?

60:10 Wilt not thou, O God, which hadst cast us off? and thou, O God,

which didst not go out with our armies?

60:11 Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man.

60:12 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he it is that shall tread

down our enemies.

61:1 Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

61:2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is

overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

61:3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the

enemy.

61:4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the

covert of thy wings. Selah.

61:5 For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given me the

heritage of those that fear thy name.

61:6 Thou wilt prolong the king's life: and his years as many

generations.

61:7 He shall abide before God for ever: O prepare mercy and truth,

which may preserve him.

61:8 So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily

perform my vows.

62:1 Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him cometh my salvation.

62:2 He only is my rock and my salvation; he is my defence; I shall

not be greatly moved.

62:3 How long will ye imagine mischief against a man? ye shall be

slain all of you: as a bowing wall shall ye be, and as a tottering

fence.

62:4 They only consult to cast him down from his excellency: they

delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly.

Selah.

62:5 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from him.

62:6 He only is my rock and my salvation: he is my defence; I shall

not be moved.

62:7 In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and

my refuge, is in God.

62:8 Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before

him: God is a refuge for us. Selah.

62:9 Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a

lie: to be laid in the balance, they are altogether lighter than

vanity.

62:10 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if

riches increase, set not your heart upon them.

62:11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power

belongeth unto God.

62:12 Also unto thee, O Lord, belongeth mercy: for thou renderest to

every man according to his work.

63:1 O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth

for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where

no water is;

63:2 To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the

sanctuary.

63:3 Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall

praise thee.

63:4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in

thy name.

63:5 My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness; and my

mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips:

63:6 When I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the

night watches.

63:7 Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy

wings will I rejoice.

63:8 My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.

63:9 But those that seek my soul, to destroy it, shall go into the

lower parts of the earth.

63:10 They shall fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.

63:11 But the king shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by

him shall glory: but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be

stopped.

64:1 Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of

the enemy.

64:2 Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the

insurrection of the workers of iniquity:

64:3 Who whet their tongue like a sword, and bend their bows to shoot

their arrows, even bitter words:

64:4 That they may shoot in secret at the perfect: suddenly do they

shoot at him, and fear not.

64:5 They encourage themselves in an evil matter: they commune of

laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them?

64:6 They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search:

both the inward thought of every one of them, and the heart, is deep.

64:7 But God shall shoot at them with an arrow; suddenly shall they be

wounded.

64:8 So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all

that see them shall flee away.

64:9 And all men shall fear, and shall declare the work of God; for

they shall wisely consider of his doing.

64:10 The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him;

and all the upright in heart shall glory.

65:1 Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the

vow be performed.

65:2 O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

65:3 Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou

shalt purge them away.

65:4 Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach

unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with

the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

65:5 By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of

our salvation; who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth,

and of them that are afar off upon the sea:

65:6 Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; being girded

with power:

65:7 Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves,

and the tumult of the people.

65:8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy

tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to

rejoice.

65:9 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest

it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them

corn, when thou hast so provided for it.

65:10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the

furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the

springing thereof.

65:11 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop

fatness.

65:12 They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little

hills rejoice on every side.

65:13 The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are

covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.

66:1 Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands:

66:2 Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.

66:3 Say unto God, How terrible art thou in thy works! through the

greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto

thee.

66:4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they

shall sing to thy name. Selah.

66:5 Come and see the works of God: he is terrible in his doing toward

the children of men.

66:6 He turned the sea into dry land: they went through the flood on

foot: there did we rejoice in him.

66:7 He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let

not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.

66:8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to

be heard:

66:9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be

moved.

66:10 For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver

is tried.

66:11 Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our

loins.

66:12 Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through

fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy

place.

66:13 I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee

my vows,

66:14 Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was

in trouble.

66:15 I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the

incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.

66:16 Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he

hath done for my soul.

66:17 I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my

tongue.

66:18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

66:19 But verily God hath heard me; he hath attended to the voice of

my prayer.

66:20 Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his

mercy from me.

67:1 God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to

shine upon us; Selah.

67:2 That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all

nations.

67:3 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise

thee.

67:4 O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge

the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah.

67:5 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise

thee.

67:6 Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own

God, shall bless us.

67:7 God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

68:1 Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that

hate him flee before him.

68:2 As smoke is driven away, so drive them away: as wax melteth

before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

68:3 But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea,

let them exceedingly rejoice.

68:4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth

upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

68:5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in

his holy habitation.

68:6 God setteth the solitary in families: he bringeth out those which

are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry land.

68:7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst

march through the wilderness; Selah:

68:8 The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God:

even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

68:9 Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst

confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.

68:10 Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared

of thy goodness for the poor.

68:11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of those that

published it.

68:12 Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home

divided the spoil.

68:13 Though ye have lien among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings

of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.

68:14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was white as snow in

Salmon.

68:15 The hill of God is as the hill of Bashan; an high hill as the

hill of Bashan.

68:16 Why leap ye, ye high hills? this is the hill which God desireth

to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell in it for ever.

68:17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of

angels: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place.

68:18 Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive:

thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that

the LORD God might dwell among them.

68:19 Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even

the God of our salvation. Selah.

68:20 He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto GOD the

Lord belong the issues from death.

68:21 But God shall wound the head of his enemies, and the hairy scalp

of such an one as goeth on still in his trespasses.

68:22 The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring my

people again from the depths of the sea:

68:23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies, and

the tongue of thy dogs in the same.

68:24 They have seen thy goings, O God; even the goings of my God, my

King, in the sanctuary.

68:25 The singers went before, the players on instruments followed

after; among them were the damsels playing with timbrels.

68:26 Bless ye God in the congregations, even the Lord, from the

fountain of Israel.

68:27 There is little Benjamin with their ruler, the princes of Judah

and their council, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of

Naphtali.

68:28 Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that

which thou hast wrought for us.

68:29 Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents

unto thee.

68:30 Rebuke the company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with

the calves of the people, till every one submit himself with pieces of

silver: scatter thou the people that delight in war.

68:31 Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out

her hands unto God.

68:32 Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the

Lord; Selah:

68:33 To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, which were of

old; lo, he doth send out his voice, and that a mighty voice.

68:34 Ascribe ye strength unto God: his excellency is over Israel, and

his strength is in the clouds.

68:35 O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of

Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his people. Blessed

be God.

69:1 Save me, O God; for the waters are come in unto my soul.

69:2 I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing: I am come into

deep waters, where the floods overflow me.

69:3 I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while

I wait for my God.

69:4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine

head: they that would destroy me, being mine enemies wrongfully, are

mighty: then I restored that which I took not away.

69:5 O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from

thee.

69:6 Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed

for my sake: let not those that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O

God of Israel.

69:7 Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my

face.

69:8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren, and an alien unto my

mother's children.

69:9 For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the reproaches

of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me.

69:10 When I wept, and chastened my soul with fasting, that was to my

reproach.

69:11 I made sackcloth also my garment; and I became a proverb to

them.

69:12 They that sit in the gate speak against me; and I was the song

of the drunkards.

69:13 But as for me, my prayer is unto thee, O LORD, in an acceptable

time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of

thy salvation.

69:14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be

delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

69:15 Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow

me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

69:16 Hear me, O LORD; for thy lovingkindness is good: turn unto me

according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

69:17 And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble:

hear me speedily.

69:18 Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it: deliver me because of

mine enemies.

69:19 Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour:

mine adversaries are all before thee.

69:20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I

looked for some to take pity, but there was none; and for comforters,

but I found none.

69:21 They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave

me vinegar to drink.

69:22 Let their table become a snare before them: and that which

should have been for their welfare, let it become a trap.

69:23 Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their

loins continually to shake.

69:24 Pour out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger

take hold of them.

69:25 Let their habitation be desolate; and let none dwell in their

tents.

69:26 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to

the grief of those whom thou hast wounded.

69:27 Add iniquity unto their iniquity: and let them not come into thy

righteousness.

69:28 Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be

written with the righteous.

69:29 But I am poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up

on high.

69:30 I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him

with thanksgiving.

69:31 This also shall please the LORD better than an ox or bullock

that hath horns and hoofs.

69:32 The humble shall see this, and be glad: and your heart shall

live that seek God.

69:33 For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not his prisoners.

69:34 Let the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, and every thing

that moveth therein.

69:35 For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that

they may dwell there, and have it in possession.

69:36 The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that

love his name shall dwell therein.

70:1 Make haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O Lord.

70:2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let

them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.

70:3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say,

Aha, aha.

70:4 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let

such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

70:5 But I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou art my

help and my deliverer; O LORD, make no tarrying.

71:1 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to

confusion.

71:2 Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline

thine ear unto me, and save me.

71:3 Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort:

thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my

fortress.

71:4 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the

hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

71:5 For thou art my hope, O Lord GOD: thou art my trust from my

youth.

71:6 By thee have I been holden up from the womb: thou art he that

took me out of my mother's bowels: my praise shall be continually of

thee.

71:7 I am as a wonder unto many; but thou art my strong refuge.

71:8 Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honour all

the day.

71:9 Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my

strength faileth.

71:10 For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my

soul take counsel together,

71:11 Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him; for there

is none to deliver him.

71:12 O God, be not far from me: O my God, make haste for my help.

71:13 Let them be confounded and consumed that are adversaries to my

soul; let them be covered with reproach and dishonour that seek my

hurt.

71:14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and

more.

71:15 My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness and thy salvation

all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof.

71:16 I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention

of thy righteousness, even of thine only.

71:17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I

declared thy wondrous works.

71:18 Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not;

until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power

to every one that is to come.

71:19 Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, who hast done great

things: O God, who is like unto thee!

71:20 Thou, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt

quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the

earth.

71:21 Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.

71:22 I will also praise thee with the psaltery, even thy truth, O my

God: unto thee will I sing with the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

71:23 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my

soul, which thou hast redeemed.

71:24 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long:

for they are confounded, for they are brought unto shame, that seek my

hurt.

72:1 Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto

the king's son.

72:2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with

judgment.

72:3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little

hills, by righteousness.

72:4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children

of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.

72:5 They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure,

throughout all generations.

72:6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that

water the earth.

72:7 In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace

so long as the moon endureth.

72:8 He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river

unto the ends of the earth.

72:9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his

enemies shall lick the dust.

72:10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the

kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

72:11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall

serve him.

72:12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also,

and him that hath no helper.

72:13 He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of

the needy.

72:14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and

precious shall their blood be in his sight.

72:15 And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of

Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; and daily shall

he be praised.

72:16 There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of

the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: and they of

the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.

72:17 His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as

long as the sun: and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall

call him blessed.

72:18 Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth

wondrous things.

72:19 And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole

earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and Amen.

72:20 The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

73:1 Truly God is good to Israel, even to such as are of a clean

heart.

73:2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh

slipped.

73:3 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of

the wicked.

73:4 For there are no bands in their death: but their strength is

firm.

73:5 They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued

like other men.

73:6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence

covereth them as a garment.

73:7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart

could wish.

73:8 They are corrupt, and speak wickedly concerning oppression: they

speak loftily.

73:9 They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue

walketh through the earth.

73:10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full cup are

wrung out to them.

73:11 And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the

most High?

73:12 Behold, these are the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they

increase in riches.

73:13 Verily I have cleansed my heart in vain, and washed my hands in

innocency.

73:14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every

morning.

73:15 If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend against the

generation of thy children.

73:16 When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me;

73:17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their

end.

73:18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst

them down into destruction.

73:19 How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are

utterly consumed with terrors.

73:20 As a dream when one awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou

shalt despise their image.

73:21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.

73:22 So foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before thee.

73:23 Nevertheless I am continually with thee: thou hast holden me by

my right hand.

73:24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me

to glory.

73:25 Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth

that I desire beside thee.

73:26 My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my

heart, and my portion for ever.

73:27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast

destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.

73:28 But it is good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust

in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.

74:1 O God, why hast thou cast us off for ever? why doth thine anger

smoke against the sheep of thy pasture?

74:2 Remember thy congregation, which thou hast purchased of old; the

rod of thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion,

wherein thou hast dwelt.

74:3 Lift up thy feet unto the perpetual desolations; even all that

the enemy hath done wickedly in the sanctuary.

74:4 Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; they set up

their ensigns for signs.

74:5 A man was famous according as he had lifted up axes upon the

thick trees.

74:6 But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes

and hammers.

74:7 They have cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled by

casting down the dwelling place of thy name to the ground.

74:8 They said in their hearts, Let us destroy them together: they

have burned up all the synagogues of God in the land.

74:9 We see not our signs: there is no more any prophet: neither is

there among us any that knoweth how long.

74:10 O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy

blaspheme thy name for ever?

74:11 Why withdrawest thou thy hand, even thy right hand? pluck it out

of thy bosom.

74:12 For God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the

earth.

74:13 Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the

heads of the dragons in the waters.

74:14 Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, and gavest him to

be meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness.

74:15 Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood: thou driedst up

mighty rivers.

74:16 The day is thine, the night also is thine: thou hast prepared

the light and the sun.

74:17 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made

summer and winter.

74:18 Remember this, that the enemy hath reproached, O LORD, and that

the foolish people have blasphemed thy name.

74:19 O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude of

the wicked: forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever.

74:20 Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth

are full of the habitations of cruelty.

74:21 O let not the oppressed return ashamed: let the poor and needy

praise thy name.

74:22 Arise, O God, plead thine own cause: remember how the foolish

man reproacheth thee daily.

74:23 Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of those that

rise up against thee increaseth continually.

75:1 Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks:

for that thy name is near thy wondrous works declare.

75:2 When I shall receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.

75:3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear

up the pillars of it. Selah.

75:4 I said unto the fools, Deal not foolishly: and to the wicked,

Lift not up the horn:

75:5 Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck.

75:6 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west,

nor from the south.

75:7 But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up

another.

75:8 For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup, and the wine is red;

it is full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs

thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring them out, and drink

them.

75:9 But I will declare for ever; I will sing praises to the God of

Jacob.

75:10 All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; but the horns

of the righteous shall be exalted.

76:1 In Judah is God known: his name is great in Israel.

76:2 In Salem also is his tabernacle, and his dwelling place in Zion.

76:3 There brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield, and the sword,

and the battle. Selah.

76:4 Thou art more glorious and excellent than the mountains of prey.

76:5 The stouthearted are spoiled, they have slept their sleep: and

none of the men of might have found their hands.

76:6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are

cast into a dead sleep.

76:7 Thou, even thou, art to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight

when once thou art angry?

76:8 Thou didst cause judgment to be heard from heaven; the earth

feared, and was still,

76:9 When God arose to judgment, to save all the meek of the earth.

Selah.

76:10 Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of

wrath shalt thou restrain.

76:11 Vow, and pay unto the LORD your God: let all that be round about

him bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.

76:12 He shall cut off the spirit of princes: he is terrible to the

kings of the earth.

77:1 I cried unto God with my voice, even unto God with my voice; and

he gave ear unto me.

77:2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord: my sore ran in the

night, and ceased not: my soul refused to be comforted.

77:3 I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit

was overwhelmed. Selah.

77:4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot

speak.

77:5 I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.

77:6 I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine

own heart: and my spirit made diligent search.

77:7 Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favourable no

more?

77:8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever? doth his promise fail for

evermore?

77:9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his

tender mercies? Selah.

77:10 And I said, This is my infirmity: but I will remember the years

of the right hand of the most High.

77:11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember

thy wonders of old.

77:12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

77:13 Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as

our God?

77:14 Thou art the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy

strength among the people.

77:15 Thou hast with thine arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob

and Joseph. Selah.

77:16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were

afraid: the depths also were troubled.

77:17 The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine

arrows also went abroad.

77:18 The voice of thy thunder was in the heaven: the lightnings

lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.

77:19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy

footsteps are not known.

77:20 Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and

Aaron.

78:1 Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears to the words

of my mouth.

78:2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of

old:

78:3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.

78:4 We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the

generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his

wonderful works that he hath done.

78:5 For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in

Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them

known to their children:

78:6 That the generation to come might know them, even the children

which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their

children:

78:7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works

of God, but keep his commandments:

78:8 And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious

generation; a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose

spirit was not stedfast with God.

78:9 The children of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows, turned

back in the day of battle.

78:10 They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his

law;

78:11 And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.

78:12 Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, in the

land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

78:13 He divided the sea, and caused them to pass through; and he made

the waters to stand as an heap.

78:14 In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night

with a light of fire.

78:15 He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink as out

of the great depths.

78:16 He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to

run down like rivers.

78:17 And they sinned yet more against him by provoking the most High

in the wilderness.

78:18 And they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their

lust.

78:19 Yea, they spake against God; they said, Can God furnish a table

in the wilderness?

78:20 Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the

streams overflowed; can he give bread also? can he provide flesh for

his people?

78:21 Therefore the LORD heard this, and was wroth: so a fire was

kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel;

78:22 Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his

salvation:

78:23 Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the

doors of heaven,

78:24 And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them

of the corn of heaven.

78:25 Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full.

78:26 He caused an east wind to blow in the heaven: and by his power

he brought in the south wind.

78:27 He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and feathered fowls like

as the sand of the sea:

78:28 And he let it fall in the midst of their camp, round about their

habitations.

78:29 So they did eat, and were well filled: for he gave them their

own desire;

78:30 They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat

was yet in their mouths,

78:31 The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the fattest of them,

and smote down the chosen men of Israel.

78:32 For all this they sinned still, and believed not for his

wondrous works.

78:33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years

in trouble.

78:34 When he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and

enquired early after God.

78:35 And they remembered that God was their rock, and the high God

their redeemer.

78:36 Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they

lied unto him with their tongues.

78:37 For their heart was not right with him, neither were they

stedfast in his covenant.

78:38 But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and

destroyed them not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did

not stir up all his wrath.

78:39 For he remembered that they were but flesh; a wind that passeth

away, and cometh not again.

78:40 How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him

in the desert!

78:41 Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One

of Israel.

78:42 They remembered not his hand, nor the day when he delivered them

from the enemy.

78:43 How he had wrought his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the

field of Zoan.

78:44 And had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that

they could not drink.

78:45 He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them;

and frogs, which destroyed them.

78:46 He gave also their increase unto the caterpiller, and their

labour unto the locust.

78:47 He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycomore trees

with frost.

78:48 He gave up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to

hot thunderbolts.

78:49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and

indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels among them.

78:50 He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death,

but gave their life over to the pestilence;

78:51 And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of their

strength in the tabernacles of Ham:

78:52 But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them

in the wilderness like a flock.

78:53 And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea

overwhelmed their enemies.

78:54 And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, even to this

mountain, which his right hand had purchased.

78:55 He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an

inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their

tents.

78:56 Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not

his testimonies:

78:57 But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they

were turned aside like a deceitful bow.

78:58 For they provoked him to anger with their high places, and moved

him to jealousy with their graven images.

78:59 When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:

78:60 So that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent which he

placed among men;

78:61 And delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into

the enemy's hand.

78:62 He gave his people over also unto the sword; and was wroth with

his inheritance.

78:63 The fire consumed their young men; and their maidens were not

given to marriage.

78:64 Their priests fell by the sword; and their widows made no

lamentation.

78:65 Then the LORD awaked as one out of sleep, and like a mighty man

that shouteth by reason of wine.

78:66 And he smote his enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a

perpetual reproach.

78:67 Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the

tribe of Ephraim:

78:68 But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.

78:69 And he built his sanctuary like high palaces, like the earth

which he hath established for ever.

78:70 He chose David also his servant, and took him from the

sheepfolds:

78:71 From following the ewes great with young he brought him to feed

Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.

78:72 So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and

guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.

79:1 O God, the heathen are come into thine inheritance; thy holy

temple have they defiled; they have laid Jerusalem on heaps.

79:2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto

the fowls of the heaven, the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of

the earth.

79:3 Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem; and

there was none to bury them.

79:4 We are become a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and derision

to them that are round about us.

79:5 How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy

burn like fire?

79:6 Pour out thy wrath upon the heathen that have not known thee, and

upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy name.

79:7 For they have devoured Jacob, and laid waste his dwelling place.

79:8 O remember not against us former iniquities: let thy tender

mercies speedily prevent us: for we are brought very low.

79:9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and

deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.

79:10 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is their God? let him be

known among the heathen in our sight by the revenging of the blood of

thy servants which is shed.

79:11 Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee; according to

the greatness of thy power preserve thou those that are appointed to

die;

79:12 And render unto our neighbours sevenfold into their bosom their

reproach, wherewith they have reproached thee, O Lord.

79:13 So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks

for ever: we will shew forth thy praise to all generations.

80:1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a

flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth.

80:2 Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength,

and come and save us.

80:3 Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall

be saved.

80:4 O LORD God of hosts, how long wilt thou be angry against the

prayer of thy people?

80:5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears

to drink in great measure.

80:6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies

laugh among themselves.

80:7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and

we shall be saved.

80:8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the

heathen, and planted it.

80:9 Thou preparedst room before it, and didst cause it to take deep

root, and it filled the land.

80:10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs

thereof were like the goodly cedars.

80:11 She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the

river.

80:12 Why hast thou then broken down her hedges, so that all they

which pass by the way do pluck her?

80:13 The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of

the field doth devour it.

80:14 Return, we beseech thee, O God of hosts: look down from heaven,

and behold, and visit this vine;

80:15 And the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted, and the

branch that thou madest strong for thyself.

80:16 It is burned with fire, it is cut down: they perish at the

rebuke of thy countenance.

80:17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of

man whom thou madest strong for thyself.

80:18 So will not we go back from thee: quicken us, and we will call

upon thy name.

80:19 Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and

we shall be saved.

81:1 Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the

God of Jacob.

81:2 Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp

with the psaltery.

81:3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on

our solemn feast day.

81:4 For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob.

81:5 This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he went out

through the land of Egypt: where I heard a language that I understood

not.

81:6 I removed his shoulder from the burden: his hands were delivered

from the pots.

81:7 Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee

in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee at the waters of

Meribah.

Selah.

81:8 Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel, if

thou wilt hearken unto me;

81:9 There shall no strange god be in thee; neither shalt thou worship

any strange god.

81:10 I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of

Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

81:11 But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would

none of me.

81:12 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lust: and they walked

in their own counsels.

81:13 Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, and Israel had walked

in my ways!

81:14 I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand

against their adversaries.

81:15 The haters of the LORD should have submitted themselves unto

him: but their time should have endured for ever.

81:16 He should have fed them also with the finest of the wheat: and

with honey out of the rock should I have satisfied thee.

82:1 God standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among

the gods.

82:2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the

wicked? Selah.

82:3 Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and

needy.

82:4 Deliver the poor and needy: rid them out of the hand of the

wicked.

82:5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in

darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

82:6 I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most

High.

82:7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.

82:8 Arise, O God, judge the earth: for thou shalt inherit all

nations.

83:1 Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not

still, O God.

83:2 For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee

have lifted up the head.

83:3 They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted

against thy hidden ones.

83:4 They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a

nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.

83:5 For they have consulted together with one consent: they are

confederate against thee:

83:6 The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the

Hagarenes;

83:7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the

inhabitants of Tyre;

83:8 Assur also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of

Lot.

Selah.

83:9 Do unto them as unto the Midianites; as to Sisera, as to Jabin,

at the brook of Kison:

83:10 Which perished at Endor: they became as dung for the earth.

83:11 Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their

princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna:

83:12 Who said, Let us take to ourselves the houses of God in

possession.

83:13 O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the

wind.

83:14 As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame setteth the

mountains on fire;

83:15 So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with

thy storm.

83:16 Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O

LORD.

83:17 Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be

put to shame, and perish:

83:18 That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art

the most high over all the earth.

84:1 How amiable are thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!

84:2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD:

my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.

84:3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for

herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O LORD of

hosts, my King, and my God.

84:4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still

praising thee. Selah.

84:5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are

the ways of them.

84:6 Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain

also filleth the pools.

84:7 They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion

appeareth before God.

84:8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob.

Selah.

84:9 Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine

anointed.

84:10 For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather

be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of

wickedness.

84:11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace

and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk

uprightly.

84:12 O LORD of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.

85:1 Lord, thou hast been favourable unto thy land: thou hast brought

back the captivity of Jacob.

85:2 Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people, thou hast covered

all their sin. Selah.

85:3 Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast turned thyself from

the fierceness of thine anger.

85:4 Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us

to cease.

85:5 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine

anger to all generations?

85:6 Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in

thee?

85:7 Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.

85:8 I will hear what God the LORD will speak: for he will speak peace

unto his people, and to his saints: but let them not turn again to

folly.

85:9 Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may

dwell in our land.

85:10 Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have

kissed each other.

85:11 Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall

look down from heaven.

85:12 Yea, the LORD shall give that which is good; and our land shall

yield her increase.

85:13 Righteousness shall go before him; and shall set us in the way

of his steps.

86:1 Bow down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy.

86:2 Preserve my soul; for I am holy: O thou my God, save thy servant

that trusteth in thee.

86:3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee daily.

86:4 Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift

up my soul.

86:5 For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in

mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

86:6 Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my

supplications.

86:7 In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt

answer me.

86:8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord; neither are

there any works like unto thy works.

86:9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before

thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.

86:10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God

alone.

86:11 Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my

heart to fear thy name.

86:12 I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will

glorify thy name for evermore.

86:13 For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my

soul from the lowest hell.

86:14 O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of

violent men have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before

them.

86:15 But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious,

long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.

86:16 O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto

thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.

86:17 Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see it,

and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

87:1 His foundation is in the holy mountains.

87:2 The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of

Jacob.

87:3 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. Selah.

87:4 I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon to them that know me:

behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this man was born there.

87:5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her:

and the highest himself shall establish her.

87:6 The LORD shall count, when he writeth up the people, that this

man was born there. Selah.

87:7 As well the singers as the players on instruments shall be there:

all my springs are in thee.

88:1 O lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before

thee:

88:2 Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;

88:3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto

the grave.

88:4 I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man

that hath no strength:

88:5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom

thou rememberest no more: and they are cut off from thy hand.

88:6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

88:7 Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted me with all

thy waves. Selah.

88:8 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made

me an abomination unto them: I am shut up, and I cannot come forth.

88:9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD, I have called

daily upon thee, I have stretched out my hands unto thee.

88:10 Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise and

praise thee? Selah.

88:11 Shall thy lovingkindness be declared in the grave? or thy

faithfulness in destruction?

88:12 Shall thy wonders be known in the dark? and thy righteousness in

the land of forgetfulness?

88:13 But unto thee have I cried, O LORD; and in the morning shall my

prayer prevent thee.

88:14 LORD, why castest thou off my soul? why hidest thou thy face

from me?

88:15 I am afflicted and ready to die from my youth up: while I suffer

thy terrors I am distracted.

88:16 Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.

88:17 They came round about me daily like water; they compassed me

about together.

88:18 Lover and friend hast thou put far from me, and mine

acquaintance into darkness.

89:1 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth

will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.

89:2 For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy

faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

89:3 I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my

servant,

89:4 Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to

all generations. Selah.

89:5 And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy

faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.

89:6 For who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? who among

the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?

89:7 God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to

be had in reverence of all them that are about him.

89:8 O LORD God of hosts, who is a strong LORD like unto thee? or to

thy faithfulness round about thee?

89:9 Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise,

thou stillest them.

89:10 Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou

hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm.

89:11 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world

and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.

89:12 The north and the south thou hast created them: Tabor and Hermon

shall rejoice in thy name.

89:13 Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy

right hand.

89:14 Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and

truth shall go before thy face.

89:15 Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall

walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

89:16 In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy

righteousness shall they be exalted.

89:17 For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our

horn shall be exalted.

89:18 For the LORD is our defence; and the Holy One of Israel is our

king.

89:19 Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have

laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of

the people.

89:20 I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed

him:

89:21 With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall

strengthen him.

89:22 The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness

afflict him.

89:23 And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them

that hate him.

89:24 But my faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him: and in my

name shall his horn be exalted.

89:25 I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the

rivers.

89:26 He shall cry unto me, Thou art my father, my God, and the rock

of my salvation.

89:27 Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the kings of the

earth.

89:28 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall

stand fast with him.

89:29 His seed also will I make to endure for ever, and his throne as

the days of heaven.

89:30 If his children forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments;

89:31 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments;

89:32 Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their

iniquity with stripes.

89:33 Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him,

nor suffer my faithfulness to fail.

89:34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone

out of my lips.

89:35 Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.

89:36 His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before

me.

89:37 It shall be established for ever as the moon, and as a faithful

witness in heaven. Selah.

89:38 But thou hast cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with

thine anointed.

89:39 Thou hast made void the covenant of thy servant: thou hast

profaned his crown by casting it to the ground.

89:40 Thou hast broken down all his hedges; thou hast brought his

strong holds to ruin.

89:41 All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his

neighbours.

89:42 Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries; thou hast

made all his enemies to rejoice.

89:43 Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made

him to stand in the battle.

89:44 Thou hast made his glory to cease, and cast his throne down to

the ground.

89:45 The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him

with shame. Selah.

89:46 How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath

burn like fire?

89:47 Remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men

in vain?

89:48 What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death? shall he

deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.

89:49 Lord, where are thy former lovingkindnesses, which thou swarest

unto David in thy truth?

89:50 Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; how I do bear in

my bosom the reproach of all the mighty people;

89:51 Wherewith thine enemies have reproached, O LORD; wherewith they

have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed.

89:52 Blessed be the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

90:1 Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.

90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst

formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting,

thou art God.

90:3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children

of men.

90:4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is

past, and as a watch in the night.

90:5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in

the morning they are like grass which groweth up.

90:6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it

is cut down, and withereth.

90:7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we

troubled.

90:8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the

light of thy countenance.

90:9 For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years

as a tale that is told.

90:10 The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by

reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength

labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

90:11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy

fear, so is thy wrath.

90:12 So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts

unto wisdom.

90:13 Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy

servants.

90:14 O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be

glad all our days.

90:15 Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted

us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.

90:16 Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their

children.

90:17 And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish

thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands

establish thou it.

91:1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide

under the shadow of the Almighty.

91:2 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God;

in him will I trust.

91:3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and

from the noisome pestilence.

91:4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt

thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

91:5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the

arrow that flieth by day;

91:6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the

destruction that wasteth at noonday.

91:7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right

hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

91:8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the

wicked.

91:9 Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the

most High, thy habitation;

91:10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come

nigh thy dwelling.

91:11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in

all thy ways.

91:12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot

against a stone.

91:13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the

dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

91:14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver

him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.

91:15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him

in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

91:16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

92:1 It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing

praises unto thy name, O most High:

92:2 To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy

faithfulness every night,

92:3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon

the harp with a solemn sound.

92:4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will

triumph in the works of thy hands.

92:5 O LORD, how great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep.

92:6 A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this.

92:7 When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of

iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever:

92:8 But thou, LORD, art most high for evermore.

92:9 For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall

perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.

92:10 But my horn shalt thou exalt like the horn of an unicorn: I

shall be anointed with fresh oil.

92:11 Mine eye also shall see my desire on mine enemies, and mine ears

shall hear my desire of the wicked that rise up against me.

92:12 The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow

like a cedar in Lebanon.

92:13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in

the courts of our God.

92:14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat

and flourishing;

92:15 To shew that the LORD is upright: he is my rock, and there is no

unrighteousness in him.

93:1 The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is

clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world

also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.

93:2 Thy throne is established of old: thou art from everlasting.

93:3 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up

their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

93:4 The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea,

than the mighty waves of the sea.

93:5 Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O

LORD, for ever.

94:1 O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance

belongeth, shew thyself.

94:2 Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the

proud.

94:3 LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked

triumph?

94:4 How long shall they utter and speak hard things? and all the

workers of iniquity boast themselves?

94:5 They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine

heritage.

94:6 They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.

94:7 Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of

Jacob regard it.

94:8 Understand, ye brutish among the people: and ye fools, when will

ye be wise?

94:9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the

eye, shall he not see?

94:10 He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that

teacheth man knowledge, shall not he know?

94:11 The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.

94:12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest

him out of thy law;

94:13 That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until

the pit be digged for the wicked.

94:14 For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he

forsake his inheritance.

94:15 But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the

upright in heart shall follow it.

94:16 Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? or who will stand

up for me against the workers of iniquity?

94:17 Unless the LORD had been my help, my soul had almost dwelt in

silence.

94:18 When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.

94:19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight

my soul.

94:20 Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which

frameth mischief by a law?

94:21 They gather themselves together against the soul of the

righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.

94:22 But the LORD is my defence; and my God is the rock of my refuge.

94:23 And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut

them off in their own wickedness; yea, the LORD our God shall cut them

off.

95:1 O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to

the rock of our salvation.

95:2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a

joyful noise unto him with psalms.

95:3 For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

95:4 In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the

hills is his also.

95:5 The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry

land.

95:6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD

our maker.

95:7 For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the

sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice,

95:8 Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day

of temptation in the wilderness:

95:9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work.

95:10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said,

It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my

ways:

95:11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath that they should not enter into my

rest.

96:1 O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the

earth.

96:2 Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from

day to day.

96:3 Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all

people.

96:4 For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised: he is to be

feared above all gods.

96:5 For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the LORD made the

heavens.

96:6 Honour and majesty are before him: strength and beauty are in his

sanctuary.

96:7 Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the

LORD glory and strength.

96:8 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an

offering, and come into his courts.

96:9 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him,

all the earth.

96:10 Say among the heathen that the LORD reigneth: the world also

shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the

people righteously.

96:11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea

roar, and the fulness thereof.

96:12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all

the trees of the wood rejoice

96:13 Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the

earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people

with his truth.

97:1 The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of

isles be glad thereof.

97:2 Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and

judgment are the habitation of his throne.

97:3 A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.

97:4 His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and

trembled.

97:5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the

presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

97:6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people see his

glory.

97:7 Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast

themselves of idols: worship him, all ye gods.

97:8 Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced

because of thy judgments, O LORD.

97:9 For thou, LORD, art high above all the earth: thou art exalted

far above all gods.

97:10 Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his

saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.

97:11 Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in

heart.

97:12 Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks at the

remembrance of his holiness.

98:1 O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous

things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.

98:2 The LORD hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he

openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

98:3 He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of

Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

98:4 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud

noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.

98:5 Sing unto the LORD with the harp; with the harp, and the voice of

a psalm.

98:6 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the

LORD, the King.

98:7 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they

that dwell therein.

98:8 Let the floods clap their hands: let the hills be joyful together

98:9 Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth: with

righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

99:1 The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the

cherubims; let the earth be moved.

99:2 The LORD is great in Zion; and he is high above all the people.

99:3 Let them praise thy great and terrible name; for it is holy.

99:4 The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish

equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

99:5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; for he

is holy.

99:6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that

call upon his name; they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

99:7 He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar: they kept his

testimonies, and the ordinance that he gave them.

99:8 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: thou wast a God that

forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.

99:9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the

LORD our God is holy.

100:1 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

100:2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with

singing.

100:3 Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and

not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

100:4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with

praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

100:5 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth

endureth to all generations.

101:1 I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O LORD, will I

sing.

101:2 I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou

come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.

101:3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of

them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.

101:4 A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked

person.

101:5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him

that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.

101:6 Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may

dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.

101:7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that

telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

101:8 I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut

off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

102:1 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.

102:2 Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble;

incline thine ear unto me: in the day when I call answer me speedily.

102:3 For my days are consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as

an hearth.

102:4 My heart is smitten, and withered like grass; so that I forget

to eat my bread.

102:5 By reason of the voice of my groaning my bones cleave to my

skin.

102:6 I am like a pelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the

desert.

102:7 I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top.

102:8 Mine enemies reproach me all the day; and they that are mad

against me are sworn against me.

102:9 For I have eaten ashes like bread, and mingled my drink with

weeping.

102:10 Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: for thou hast

lifted me up, and cast me down.

102:11 My days are like a shadow that declineth; and I am withered

like grass.

102:12 But thou, O LORD, shall endure for ever; and thy remembrance

unto all generations.

102:13 Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to

favour her, yea, the set time, is come.

102:14 For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the

dust thereof.

102:15 So the heathen shall fear the name of the LORD, and all the

kings of the earth thy glory.

102:16 When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his

glory.

102:17 He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise

their prayer.

102:18 This shall be written for the generation to come: and the

people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

102:19 For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from

heaven did the LORD behold the earth;

102:20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are

appointed to death;

102:21 To declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and his praise in

Jerusalem;

102:22 When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to

serve the LORD.

102:23 He weakened my strength in the way; he shortened my days.

102:24 I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days: thy

years are throughout all generations.

102:25 Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the

heavens are the work of thy hands.

102:26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them

shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and

they shall be changed:

102:27 But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.

102:28 The children of thy servants shall continue, and their seed

shall be established before thee.

103:1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his

holy name.

103:2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

103:3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy

diseases;

103:4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with

lovingkindness and tender mercies;

103:5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is

renewed like the eagle's.

103:6 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are

oppressed.

103:7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of

Israel.

103:8 The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous

in mercy.

103:9 He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for

ever.

103:10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us

according to our iniquities.

103:11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his

mercy toward them that fear him.

103:12 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our

transgressions from us.

103:13 Like as a father pitieth his children, so the LORD pitieth them

that fear him.

103:14 For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

103:15 As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so

he flourisheth.

103:16 For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place

thereof shall know it no more.

103:17 But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting

upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's

children;

103:18 To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his

commandments to do them.

103:19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his

kingdom ruleth over all.

103:20 Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do

his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

103:21 Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that

do his pleasure.

103:22 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion:

bless the LORD, O my soul.

104:1 Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great;

thou art clothed with honour and majesty.

104:2 Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment: who

stretchest out the heavens like a curtain:

104:3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh

the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind:

104:4 Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:

104:5 Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be

removed for ever.

104:6 Thou coveredst it with the deep as with a garment: the waters

stood above the mountains.

104:7 At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted

away.

104:8 They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto

the place which thou hast founded for them.

104:9 Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they

turn not again to cover the earth.

104:10 He sendeth the springs into the valleys, which run among the

hills.

104:11 They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses

quench their thirst.

104:12 By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation,

which sing among the branches.

104:13 He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied

with the fruit of thy works.

104:14 He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the

service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;

104:15 And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his

face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart.

104:16 The trees of the LORD are full of sap; the cedars of Lebanon,

which he hath planted;

104:17 Where the birds make their nests: as for the stork, the fir

trees are her house.

104:18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks

for the conies.

104:19 He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going

down.

104:20 Thou makest darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts

of the forest do creep forth.

104:21 The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from

God.

104:22 The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them

down in their dens.

104:23 Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the

evening.

104:24 O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made

them all: the earth is full of thy riches.

104:25 So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping

innumerable, both small and great beasts.

104:26 There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast

made to play therein.

104:27 These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat

in due season.

104:28 That thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand,

they are filled with good.

104:29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their

breath, they die, and return to their dust.

104:30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou

renewest the face of the earth.

104:31 The glory of the LORD shall endure for ever: the LORD shall

rejoice in his works.

104:32 He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the

hills, and they smoke.

104:33 I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise

to my God while I have my being.

104:34 My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the

LORD.

104:35 Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the

wicked be no more. Bless thou the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD.

105:1 O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his

deeds among the people.

105:2 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous

works.

105:3 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that

seek the LORD.

105:4 Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore.

105:5 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders,

and the judgments of his mouth;

105:6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his

chosen.

105:7 He is the LORD our God: his judgments are in all the earth.

105:8 He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he

commanded to a thousand generations.

105:9 Which covenant he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;

105:10 And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for

an everlasting covenant:

105:11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of

your inheritance:

105:12 When they were but a few men in number; yea, very few, and

strangers in it.

105:13 When they went from one nation to another, from one kingdom to

another people;

105:14 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for

their sakes;

105:15 Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

105:16 Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the

whole staff of bread.

105:17 He sent a man before them, even Joseph, who was sold for a

servant:

105:18 Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

105:19 Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried

him.

105:20 The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and

let him go free.

105:21 He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:

105:22 To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators

wisdom.

105:23 Israel also came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of

Ham.

105:24 And he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger

than their enemies.

105:25 He turned their heart to hate his people, to deal subtilly with

his servants.

105:26 He sent Moses his servant; and Aaron whom he had chosen.

105:27 They shewed his signs among them, and wonders in the land of

Ham.

105:28 He sent darkness, and made it dark; and they rebelled not

against his word.

105:29 He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.

105:30 Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of

their kings.

105:31 He spake, and there came divers sorts of flies, and lice in all

their coasts.

105:32 He gave them hail for rain, and flaming fire in their land.

105:33 He smote their vines also and their fig trees; and brake the

trees of their coasts.

105:34 He spake, and the locusts came, and caterpillers, and that

without number,

105:35 And did eat up all the herbs in their land, and devoured the

fruit of their ground.

105:36 He smote also all the firstborn in their land, the chief of all

their strength.

105:37 He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was

not one feeble person among their tribes.

105:38 Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them fell

upon them.

105:39 He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the

night.

105:40 The people asked, and he brought quails, and satisfied them

with the bread of heaven.

105:41 He opened the rock, and the waters gushed out; they ran in the

dry places like a river.

105:42 For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham his servant.

105:43 And he brought forth his people with joy, and his chosen with

gladness:

105:44 And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the

labour of the people;

105:45 That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. Praise

ye the LORD.

106:1 Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good:

for his mercy endureth for ever.

106:2 Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? who can shew forth

all his praise?

106:3 Blessed are they that keep judgment, and he that doeth

righteousness at all times.

106:4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy

people: O visit me with thy salvation;

106:5 That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the

gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance.

106:6 We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we

have done wickedly.

106:7 Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt; they remembered

not the multitude of thy mercies; but provoked him at the sea, even at

the Red sea.

106:8 Nevertheless he saved them for his name's sake, that he might

make his mighty power to be known.

106:9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them

through the depths, as through the wilderness.

106:10 And he saved them from the hand of him that hated them, and

redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.

106:11 And the waters covered their enemies: there was not one of them

left.

106:12 Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.

106:13 They soon forgat his works; they waited not for his counsel:

106:14 But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in

the desert.

106:15 And he gave them their request; but sent leanness into their

soul.

106:16 They envied Moses also in the camp, and Aaron the saint of the

LORD.

106:17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan and covered the

company of Abiram.

106:18 And a fire was kindled in their company; the flame burned up

the wicked.

106:19 They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image.

106:20 Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that

eateth grass.

106:21 They forgat God their saviour, which had done great things in

Egypt;

106:22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham, and terrible things by the

Red sea.

106:23 Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his

chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he

should destroy them.

106:24 Yea, they despised the pleasant land, they believed not his

word:

106:25 But murmured in their tents, and hearkened not unto the voice

of the LORD.

106:26 Therefore he lifted up his hand against them, to overthrow them

in the wilderness:

106:27 To overthrow their seed also among the nations, and to scatter

them in the lands.

106:28 They joined themselves also unto Baalpeor, and ate the

sacrifices of the dead.

106:29 Thus they provoked him to anger with their inventions: and the

plague brake in upon them.

106:30 Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment: and so the

plague was stayed.

106:31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all

generations for evermore.

106:32 They angered him also at the waters of strife, so that it went

ill with Moses for their sakes:

106:33 Because they provoked his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly

with his lips.

106:34 They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD

commanded them:

106:35 But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.

106:36 And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them.

106:37 Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto

devils,

106:38 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of

their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and

the land was polluted with blood.

106:39 Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring

with their own inventions.

106:40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people,

insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.

106:41 And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that

hated them ruled over them.

106:42 Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into

subjection under their hand.

106:43 Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked him with

their counsel, and were brought low for their iniquity.

106:44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their

cry:

106:45 And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according

to the multitude of his mercies.

106:46 He made them also to be pitied of all those that carried them

captives.

106:47 Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the heathen,

to give thanks unto thy holy name, and to triumph in thy praise.

106:48 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting to

everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD.

107:1 O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy

endureth for ever.

107:2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom he hath redeemed from

the hand of the enemy;

107:3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the

west, from the north, and from the south.

107:4 They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no

city to dwell in.

107:5 Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

107:6 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered

them out of their distresses.

107:7 And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a

city of habitation.

107:8 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his

wonderful works to the children of men!

107:9 For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul

with goodness.

107:10 Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound

in affliction and iron;

107:11 Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned

the counsel of the most High:

107:12 Therefore he brought down their heart with labour; they fell

down, and there was none to help.

107:13 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saved

them out of their distresses.

107:14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and

brake their bands in sunder.

107:15 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his

wonderful works to the children of men!

107:16 For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron

in sunder.

107:17 Fools because of their transgression, and because of their

iniquities, are afflicted.

107:18 Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near

unto the gates of death.

107:19 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he saveth

them out of their distresses.

107:20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from

their destructions.

107:21 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his

wonderful works to the children of men!

107:22 And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and

declare his works with rejoicing.

107:23 They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in

great waters;

107:24 These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.

107:25 For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth

up the waves thereof.

107:26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths:

their soul is melted because of trouble.

107:27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are

at their wit's end.

107:28 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth

them out of their distresses.

107:29 He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are

still.

107:30 Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them

unto their desired haven.

107:31 Oh that men would praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his

wonderful works to the children of men!

107:32 Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and

praise him in the assembly of the elders.

107:33 He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into

dry ground;

107:34 A fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them

that dwell therein.

107:35 He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground

into watersprings.

107:36 And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare

a city for habitation;

107:37 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits

of increase.

107:38 He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; and

suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

107:39 Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression,

affliction, and sorrow.

107:40 He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in

the wilderness, where there is no way.

107:41 Yet setteth he the poor on high from affliction, and maketh him

families like a flock.

107:42 The righteous shall see it, and rejoice: and all iniquity shall

stop her mouth.

107:43 Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they shall

understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.

108:1 O god, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with

my glory.

108:2 Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early.

108:3 I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing

praises unto thee among the nations.

108:4 For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth

unto the clouds.

108:5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above

all the earth;

108:6 That thy beloved may be delivered: save with thy right hand, and

answer me.

108:7 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide

Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

108:8 Gilead is mine; Manasseh is mine; Ephraim also is the strength

of mine head; Judah is my lawgiver;

108:9 Moab is my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; over

Philistia will I triumph.

108:10 Who will bring me into the strong city? who will lead me into

Edom?

108:11 Wilt not thou, O God, who hast cast us off? and wilt not thou,

O God, go forth with our hosts?

108:12 Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man.

108:13 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he it is that shall

tread down our enemies.

109:1 Hold not thy peace, O God of my praise;

109:2 For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are

opened against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.

109:3 They compassed me about also with words of hatred; and fought

against me without a cause.

109:4 For my love they are my adversaries: but I give myself unto

prayer.

109:5 And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.

109:6 Set thou a wicked man over him: and let Satan stand at his right

hand.

109:7 When he shall be judged, let him be condemned: and let his

prayer become sin.

109:8 Let his days be few; and let another take his office.

109:9 Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.

109:10 Let his children be continually vagabonds, and beg: let them

seek their bread also out of their desolate places.

109:11 Let the extortioner catch all that he hath; and let the

strangers spoil his labour.

109:12 Let there be none to extend mercy unto him: neither let there

be any to favour his fatherless children.

109:13 Let his posterity be cut off; and in the generation following

let their name be blotted out.

109:14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered with the LORD;

and let not the sin of his mother be blotted out.

109:15 Let them be before the LORD continually, that he may cut off

the memory of them from the earth.

109:16 Because that he remembered not to shew mercy, but persecuted

the poor and needy man, that he might even slay the broken in heart.

109:17 As he loved cursing, so let it come unto him: as he delighted

not in blessing, so let it be far from him.

109:18 As he clothed himself with cursing like as with his garment, so

let it come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

109:19 Let it be unto him as the garment which covereth him, and for a

girdle wherewith he is girded continually.

109:20 Let this be the reward of mine adversaries from the LORD, and

of them that speak evil against my soul.

109:21 But do thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy name's sake:

because thy mercy is good, deliver thou me.

109:22 For I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.

109:23 I am gone like the shadow when it declineth: I am tossed up and

down as the locust.

109:24 My knees are weak through fasting; and my flesh faileth of

fatness.

109:25 I became also a reproach unto them: when they looked upon me

they shaked their heads.

109:26 Help me, O LORD my God: O save me according to thy mercy:

109:27 That they may know that this is thy hand; that thou, LORD, hast

done it.

109:28 Let them curse, but bless thou: when they arise, let them be

ashamed; but let thy servant rejoice.

109:29 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame, and let them cover

themselves with their own confusion, as with a mantle.

109:30 I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth; yea, I will

praise him among the multitude.

109:31 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save him

from those that condemn his soul.

110:1 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I

make thine enemies thy footstool.

110:2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule

thou in the midst of thine enemies.

110:3 Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the

beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew

of thy youth.

110:4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou art a priest for

ever after the order of Melchizedek.

110:5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day

of his wrath.

110:6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill the places with

the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries.

110:7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift

up the head.

111:1 Praise ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with my whole heart,

in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

111:2 The works of the LORD are great, sought out of all them that

have pleasure therein.

111:3 His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness

endureth for ever.

111:4 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD is

gracious and full of compassion.

111:5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be

mindful of his covenant.

111:6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may

give them the heritage of the heathen.

111:7 The works of his hands are verity and judgment; all his

commandments are sure.

111:8 They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and

uprightness.

111:9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his

covenant for ever: holy and reverend is his name.

111:10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good

understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise

endureth for ever.

112:1 Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD,

that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

112:2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the

upright shall be blessed.

112:3 Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness

endureth for ever.

112:4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is

gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

112:5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his

affairs with discretion.

112:6 Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in

everlasting remembrance.

112:7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed,

trusting in the LORD.

112:8 His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see

his desire upon his enemies.

112:9 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness

endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

112:10 The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with

his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

113:1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise

the name of the LORD.

113:2 Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for

evermore.

113:3 From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the

LORD's name is to be praised.

113:4 The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the

heavens.

113:5 Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high,

113:6 Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven,

and in the earth!

113:7 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth the needy

out of the dunghill;

113:8 That he may set him with princes, even with the princes of his

people.

113:9 He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful

mother of children. Praise ye the LORD.

114:1 When Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people

of strange language;

114:2 Judah was his sanctuary, and Israel his dominion.

114:3 The sea saw it, and fled: Jordan was driven back.

114:4 The mountains skipped like rams, and the little hills like

lambs.

114:5 What ailed thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest? thou Jordan,

that thou wast driven back?

114:6 Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams; and ye little hills,

like lambs?

114:7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the

presence of the God of Jacob;

114:8 Which turned the rock into a standing water, the flint into a

fountain of waters.

115:1 Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory,

for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.

115:2 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is now their God?

115:3 But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath

pleased.

115:4 Their idols are silver and gold, the work of men's hands.

115:5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they

see not:

115:6 They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they

smell not:

115:7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they

walk not: neither speak they through their throat.

115:8 They that make them are like unto them; so is every one that

trusteth in them.

115:9 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he is their help and their

shield.

115:10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he is their help and their

shield.

115:11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he is their help and

their shield.

115:12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will

bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.

115:13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, both small and great.

115:14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your

children.

115:15 Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.

115:16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's: but the earth

hath he given to the children of men.

115:17 The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into

silence.

115:18 But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for

evermore.

Praise the LORD.

116:1 I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice and my

supplications.

116:2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call

upon him as long as I live.

116:3 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat

hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.

116:4 Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee,

deliver my soul.

116:5 Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God is merciful.

116:6 The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped

me.

116:7 Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt

bountifully with thee.

116:8 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from

tears, and my feet from falling.

116:9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

116:10 I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted:

116:11 I said in my haste, All men are liars.

116:12 What shall I render unto the LORD for all his benefits toward

me?

116:13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the

LORD.

116:14 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his

people.

116:15 Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

116:16 O LORD, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant, and the son

of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.

116:17 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will

call upon the name of the LORD.

116:18 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his

people.

116:19 In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of thee, O

Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

117:1 O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.

117:2 For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of

the LORD endureth for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

118:1 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: because his mercy

endureth for ever.

118:2 Let Israel now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.

118:3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy endureth for

ever.

118:4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy endureth for

ever.

118:5 I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, and

set me in a large place.

118:6 The LORD is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto

me?

118:7 The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall

I see my desire upon them that hate me.

118:8 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

118:9 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in

princes.

118:10 All nations compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD

will I destroy them.

118:11 They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in

the name of the LORD I will destroy them.

118:12 They compassed me about like bees: they are quenched as the

fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.

118:13 Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD

helped me.

118:14 The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation.

118:15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of

the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

118:16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the

LORD doeth valiantly.

118:17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

118:18 The LORD hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over

unto death.

118:19 Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, and

I will praise the LORD:

118:20 This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.

118:21 I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my

salvation.

118:22 The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone

of the corner.

118:23 This is the LORD's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

118:24 This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and

be glad in it.

118:25 Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send

now prosperity.

118:26 Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have

blessed you out of the house of the LORD.

118:27 God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice

with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

118:28 Thou art my God, and I will praise thee: thou art my God, I

will exalt thee.

118:29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy

endureth for ever.

119:1 Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the

LORD.

119:2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him

with the whole heart.

119:3 They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

119:4 Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently.

119:5 O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!

119:6 Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy

commandments.

119:7 I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have

learned thy righteous judgments.

119:8 I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

119:9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed

thereto according to thy word.

119:10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander

from thy commandments.

119:11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against

thee.

119:12 Blessed art thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.

119:13 With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.

119:14 I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as much as in

all riches.

119:15 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy

ways.

119:16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy

word.

119:17 Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep

thy word.

119:18 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of

thy law.

119:19 I am a stranger in the earth: hide not thy commandments from

me.

119:20 My soul breaketh for the longing that it hath unto thy

judgments at all times.

119:21 Thou hast rebuked the proud that are cursed, which do err from

thy commandments.

119:22 Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy

testimonies.

119:23 Princes also did sit and speak against me: but thy servant did

meditate in thy statutes.

119:24 Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.

119:25 My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to

thy word.

119:26 I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me: teach me thy

statutes.

119:27 Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so shall I talk

of thy wondrous works.

119:28 My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according

unto thy word.

119:29 Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law

graciously.

119:30 I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid

before me.

119:31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.

119:32 I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge

my heart.

119:33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it

unto the end.

119:34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall

observe it with my whole heart.

119:35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I

delight.

119:36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

119:37 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me

in thy way.

119:38 Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.

119:39 Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments are good.

119:40 Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy

righteousness.

119:41 Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, even thy salvation,

according to thy word.

119:42 So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me:

for I trust in thy word.

119:43 And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I

have hoped in thy judgments.

119:44 So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.

119:45 And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.

119:46 I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not

be ashamed.

119:47 And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have

loved.

119:48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I

have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.

119:49 Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused

me to hope.

119:50 This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath

quickened me.

119:51 The proud have had me greatly in derision: yet have I not

declined from thy law.

119:52 I remembered thy judgments of old, O LORD; and have comforted

myself.

119:53 Horror hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that

forsake thy law.

119:54 Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

119:55 I have remembered thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept

thy law.

119:56 This I had, because I kept thy precepts.

119:57 Thou art my portion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep thy

words.

119:58 I intreated thy favour with my whole heart: be merciful unto me

according to thy word.

119:59 I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

119:60 I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.

119:61 The bands of the wicked have robbed me: but I have not

forgotten thy law.

119:62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy

righteous judgments.

119:63 I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that

keep thy precepts.

119:64 The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.

119:65 Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto

thy word.

119:66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy

commandments.

119:67 Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy

word.

119:68 Thou art good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.

119:69 The proud have forged a lie against me: but I will keep thy

precepts with my whole heart.

119:70 Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in thy law.

119:71 It is good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might

learn thy statutes.

119:72 The law of thy mouth is better unto me than thousands of gold

and silver.

119:73 Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding,

that I may learn thy commandments.

119:74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I

have hoped in thy word.

119:75 I know, O LORD, that thy judgments are right, and that thou in

faithfulness hast afflicted me.

119:76 Let, I pray thee, thy merciful kindness be for my comfort,

according to thy word unto thy servant.

119:77 Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy

law is my delight.

119:78 Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me

without a cause: but I will meditate in thy precepts.

119:79 Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have

known thy testimonies.

119:80 Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

119:81 My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

119:82 Mine eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?

119:83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; yet do I not forget

thy statutes.

119:84 How many are the days of thy servant? when wilt thou execute

judgment on them that persecute me?

119:85 The proud have digged pits for me, which are not after thy law.

119:86 All thy commandments are faithful: they persecute me

wrongfully; help thou me.

119:87 They had almost consumed me upon earth; but I forsook not thy

precepts.

119:88 Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the

testimony of thy mouth.

119:89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

119:90 Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established

the earth, and it abideth.

119:91 They continue this day according to thine ordinances: for all

are thy servants.

119:92 Unless thy law had been my delights, I should then have

perished in mine affliction.

119:93 I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast

quickened me.

119:94 I am thine, save me: for I have sought thy precepts.

119:95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: but I will

consider thy testimonies.

119:96 I have seen an end of all perfection: but thy commandment is

exceeding broad.

119:97 O how I love thy law! it is my meditation all the day.

119:98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine

enemies: for they are ever with me.

119:99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy

testimonies are my meditation.

119:100 I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy

precepts.

119:101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might

keep thy word.

119:102 I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught

me.

119:103 How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey

to my mouth!

119:104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate

every false way.

119:105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

119:106 I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy

righteous judgments.

119:107 I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto

thy word.

119:108 Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O

LORD, and teach me thy judgments.

119:109 My soul is continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy

law.

119:110 The wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy

precepts.

119:111 Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they

are the rejoicing of my heart.

119:112 I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes alway, even

unto the end.

119:113 I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love.

119:114 Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.

119:115 Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments

of my God.

119:116 Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me

not be ashamed of my hope.

119:117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect

unto thy statutes continually.

119:118 Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes:

for their deceit is falsehood.

119:119 Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross:

therefore I love thy testimonies.

119:120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy

judgments.

119:121 I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine

oppressors.

119:122 Be surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress

me.

119:123 Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy

righteousness.

119:124 Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me

thy statutes.

119:125 I am thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy

testimonies.

119:126 It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void

thy law.

119:127 Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine

gold.

119:128 Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to

be right; and I hate every false way.

119:129 Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep

them.

119:130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth

understanding unto the simple.

119:131 I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy

commandments.

119:132 Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to

do unto those that love thy name.

119:133 Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have

dominion over me.

119:134 Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy

precepts.

119:135 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy

statutes.

119:136 Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy

law.

119:137 Righteous art thou, O LORD, and upright are thy judgments.

119:138 Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded are righteous and

very faithful.

119:139 My zeal hath consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten

thy words.

119:140 Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

119:141 I am small and despised: yet do not I forget thy precepts.

119:142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and thy law

is the truth.

119:143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: yet thy

commandments are my delights.

119:144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: give me

understanding, and I shall live.

119:145 I cried with my whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy

statutes.

119:146 I cried unto thee; save me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

119:147 I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in

thy word.

119:148 Mine eyes prevent the night watches, that I might meditate in

thy word.

119:149 Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD,

quicken me according to thy judgment.

119:150 They draw nigh that follow after mischief: they are far from

thy law.

119:151 Thou art near, O LORD; and all thy commandments are truth.

119:152 Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast

founded them for ever.

119:153 Consider mine affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget

thy law.

119:154 Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy

word.

119:155 Salvation is far from the wicked: for they seek not thy

statutes.

119:156 Great are thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to

thy judgments.

119:157 Many are my persecutors and mine enemies; yet do I not decline

from thy testimonies.

119:158 I beheld the transgressors, and was grieved; because they kept

not thy word.

119:159 Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD,

according to thy lovingkindness.

119:160 Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy

righteous judgments endureth for ever.

119:161 Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart

standeth in awe of thy word.

119:162 I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.

119:163 I hate and abhor lying: but thy law do I love.

119:164 Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous

judgments.

119:165 Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall

offend them.

119:166 LORD, I have hoped for thy salvation, and done thy

commandments.

119:167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them

exceedingly.

119:168 I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my ways

are before thee.

119:169 Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me

understanding according to thy word.

119:170 Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to

thy word.

119:171 My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy

statutes.

119:172 My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments

are righteousness.

119:173 Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts.

119:174 I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law is my

delight.

119:175 Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy

judgments help me.

119:176 I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I

do not forget thy commandments.

120:1 In my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he heard me.

120:2 Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, and from a deceitful

tongue.

120:3 What shall be given unto thee? or what shall be done unto thee,

thou false tongue?

120:4 Sharp arrows of the mighty, with coals of juniper.

120:5 Woe is me, that I sojourn in Mesech, that I dwell in the tents

of Kedar!

120:6 My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace.

120:7 I am for peace: but when I speak, they are for war.

121:1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my

help.

121:2 My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

121:3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee

will not slumber.

121:4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

121:5 The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right

hand.

121:6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

121:7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve

thy soul.

121:8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from

this time forth, and even for evermore.

122:1 I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of

the LORD.

122:2 Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

122:3 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together:

122:4 Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto the

testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD.

122:5 For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house

of David.

122:6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love

thee.

122:7 Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces.

122:8 For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace be

within thee.

122:9 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek thy good.

123:1 Unto thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the

heavens.

123:2 Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their

masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so

our eyes wait upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us.

123:3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us: for we are

exceedingly filled with contempt.

123:4 Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that

are at ease, and with the contempt of the proud.

124:1 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, now may Israel

say;

124:2 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when men rose

up against us:

124:3 Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was

kindled against us:

124:4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our

soul:

124:5 Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.

124:6 Blessed be the LORD, who hath not given us as a prey to their

teeth.

124:7 Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers:

the snare is broken, and we are escaped.

124:8 Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

125:1 They that trust in the LORD shall be as mount Zion, which cannot

be removed, but abideth for ever.

125:2 As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the LORD is round

about his people from henceforth even for ever.

125:3 For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the

righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.

125:4 Do good, O LORD, unto those that be good, and to them that are

upright in their hearts.

125:5 As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD

shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: but peace shall be

upon Israel.

126:1 When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like

them that dream.

126:2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with

singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD hath done great

things for them.

126:3 The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad.

126:4 Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.

126:5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.

126:6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall

doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

127:1 Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build

it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

127:2 It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the

bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.

127:3 Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the

womb is his reward.

127:4 As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of

the youth.

127:5 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall

not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

128:1 Blessed is every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his

ways.

128:2 For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy shalt thou

be, and it shall be well with thee.

128:3 Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine

house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.

128:4 Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the

LORD.

128:5 The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the

good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.

128:6 Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, and peace upon

Israel.

129:1 Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth, may Israel now

say:

129:2 Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth: yet they have

not prevailed against me.

129:3 The plowers plowed upon my back: they made long their furrows.

129:4 The LORD is righteous: he hath cut asunder the cords of the

wicked.

129:5 Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion.

129:6 Let them be as the grass upon the housetops, which withereth

afore it groweth up:

129:7 Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand; nor he that bindeth

sheaves his bosom.

129:8 Neither do they which go by say, The blessing of the LORD be

upon you: we bless you in the name of the LORD.

130:1 Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD.

130:2 Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of

my supplications.

130:3 If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall

stand?

130:4 But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.

130:5 I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I

hope.

130:6 My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the

morning: I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

130:7 Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD there is mercy,

and with him is plenteous redemption.

130:8 And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

131:1 Lord, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: neither do I

exercise myself in great matters, or in things too high for me.

131:2 Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is

weaned of his mother: my soul is even as a weaned child.

131:3 Let Israel hope in the LORD from henceforth and for ever.

132:1 Lord, remember David, and all his afflictions:

132:2 How he sware unto the LORD, and vowed unto the mighty God of

Jacob;

132:3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go

up into my bed;

132:4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, or slumber to mine eyelids,

132:5 Until I find out a place for the LORD, an habitation for the

mighty God of Jacob.

132:6 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah: we found it in the fields of the

wood.

132:7 We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his

footstool.

132:8 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength.

132:9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy

saints shout for joy.

132:10 For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine

anointed.

132:11 The LORD hath sworn in truth unto David; he will not turn from

it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.

132:12 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I

shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for

evermore.

132:13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his

habitation.

132:14 This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired

it.

132:15 I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor

with bread.

132:16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints

shall shout aloud for joy.

132:17 There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a

lamp for mine anointed.

132:18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: but upon himself shall

his crown flourish.

133:1 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell

together in unity!

133:2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down

upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of

his garments;

133:3 As the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the

mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, even

life for evermore.

134:1 Behold, bless ye the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD, which by

night stand in the house of the LORD.

134:2 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.

134:3 The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

135:1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD; praise him,

O ye servants of the LORD.

135:2 Ye that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the

house of our God.

135:3 Praise the LORD; for the LORD is good: sing praises unto his

name; for it is pleasant.

135:4 For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and Israel for his

peculiar treasure.

135:5 For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above

all gods.

135:6 Whatsoever the LORD pleased, that did he in heaven, and in

earth, in the seas, and all deep places.

135:7 He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he

maketh lightnings for the rain; he bringeth the wind out of his

treasuries.

135:8 Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, both of man and beast.

135:9 Who sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt,

upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants.

135:10 Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings;

135:11 Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the

kingdoms of Canaan:

135:12 And gave their land for an heritage, an heritage unto Israel

his people.

135:13 Thy name, O LORD, endureth for ever; and thy memorial, O LORD,

throughout all generations.

135:14 For the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself

concerning his servants.

135:15 The idols of the heathen are silver and gold, the work of men's

hands.

135:16 They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they

see not;

135:17 They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there any breath

in their mouths.

135:18 They that make them are like unto them: so is every one that

trusteth in them.

135:19 Bless the LORD, O house of Israel: bless the LORD, O house of

Aaron:

135:20 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi: ye that fear the LORD, bless

the LORD.

135:21 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem.

Praise ye the LORD.

136:1 O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy

endureth for ever.

136:2 O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy endureth for

ever.

136:3 O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for

ever.

136:4 To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy endureth for

ever.

136:5 To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy endureth

for ever.

136:6 To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his

mercy endureth for ever.

136:7 To him that made great lights: for his mercy endureth for ever:

136:8 The sun to rule by day: for his mercy endureth for ever:

136:9 The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy endureth for

ever.

136:10 To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy

endureth for ever:

136:11 And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy endureth

for ever:

136:12 With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy

endureth for ever.

136:13 To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy

endureth for ever:

136:14 And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy

endureth for ever:

136:15 But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his

mercy endureth for ever.

136:16 To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his

mercy endureth for ever.

136:17 To him which smote great kings: for his mercy endureth for

ever:

136:18 And slew famous kings: for his mercy endureth for ever:

136:19 Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy endureth for ever:

136:20 And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy endureth for ever:

136:21 And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy endureth for

ever:

136:22 Even an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy

endureth for ever.

136:23 Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy endureth for

ever:

136:24 And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy endureth

for ever.

136:25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy endureth for ever.

136:26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy endureth

for ever.

137:1 By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when

we remembered Zion.

137:2 We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.

137:3 For there they that carried us away captive required of us a

song; and they that wasted us required of us mirth, saying, Sing us

one of the songs of Zion.

137:4 How shall we sing the LORD's song in a strange land?

137:5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her

cunning.

137:6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of

my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.

137:7 Remember, O LORD, the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem;

who said, Rase it, rase it, even to the foundation thereof.

137:8 O daughter of Babylon, who art to be destroyed; happy shall he

be, that rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.

137:9 Happy shall he be, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones

against the stones.

138:1 I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I

sing praise unto thee.

138:2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for

thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word

above all thy name.

138:3 In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst

me with strength in my soul.

138:4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they

hear the words of thy mouth.

138:5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great is the

glory of the LORD.

138:6 Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but

the proud he knoweth afar off.

138:7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou

shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and

thy right hand shall save me.

138:8 The LORD will perfect that which concerneth me: thy mercy, O

LORD, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.

139:1 O lord, thou hast searched me, and known me.

139:2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou

understandest my thought afar off.

139:3 Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted

with all my ways.

139:4 For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou

knowest it altogether.

139:5 Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon

me.

139:6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot

attain unto it.

139:7 Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from

thy presence?

139:8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in

hell, behold, thou art there.

139:9 If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost

parts of the sea;

139:10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall

hold me.

139:11 If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night

shall be light about me.

139:12 Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth

as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.

139:13 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my

mother's womb.

139:14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made:

marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

139:15 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret,

and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

139:16 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in

thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were

fashioned, when as yet there was none of them.

139:17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is

the sum of them!

139:18 If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand:

when I awake, I am still with thee.

139:19 Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me

therefore, ye bloody men.

139:20 For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies take

thy name in vain.

139:21 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I

grieved with those that rise up against thee?

139:22 I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.

139:23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my

thoughts:

139:24 And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the

way everlasting.

140:1 Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the

violent man;

140:2 Which imagine mischiefs in their heart; continually are they

gathered together for war.

140:3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison

is under their lips. Selah.

140:4 Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from

the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.

140:5 The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a

net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.

140:6 I said unto the LORD, Thou art my God: hear the voice of my

supplications, O LORD.

140:7 O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered

my head in the day of battle.

140:8 Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his

wicked device; lest they exalt themselves. Selah.

140:9 As for the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief

of their own lips cover them.

140:10 Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the

fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up again.

140:11 Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall

hunt the violent man to overthrow him.

140:12 I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted,

and the right of the poor.

140:13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the

upright shall dwell in thy presence.

141:1 Lord, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my

voice, when I cry unto thee.

141:2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the

lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

141:3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

141:4 Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practise wicked works

with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.

141:5 Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness: and let him

reprove me; it shall be an excellent oil, which shall not break my

head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.

141:6 When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall

hear my words; for they are sweet.

141:7 Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, as when one

cutteth and cleaveth wood upon the earth.

141:8 But mine eyes are unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my

trust; leave not my soul destitute.

141:9 Keep me from the snares which they have laid for me, and the

gins of the workers of iniquity.

141:10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal

escape.

142:1 I cried unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD

did I make my supplication.

142:2 I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my

trouble.

142:3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my

path.

In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

142:4 I looked on my right hand, and beheld, but there was no man that

would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul.

142:5 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou art my refuge and my

portion in the land of the living.

142:6 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from

my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.

142:7 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the

righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with

me.

143:1 Hear my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications: in thy

faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness.

143:2 And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight

shall no man living be justified.

143:3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life

down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those

that have been long dead.

143:4 Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me

is desolate.

143:5 I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse

on the work of thy hands.

143:6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul thirsteth after

thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.

143:7 Hear me speedily, O LORD: my spirit faileth: hide not thy face

from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

143:8 Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee

do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift

up my soul unto thee.

143:9 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to hide

me.

143:10 Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is

good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

143:11 Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake: for thy righteousness'

sake bring my soul out of trouble.

143:12 And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them

that afflict my soul: for I am thy servant.

144:1 Blessed be the LORD my strength which teacheth my hands to war,

and my fingers to fight:

144:2 My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer;

my shield, and he in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.

144:3 LORD, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him! or the son

of man, that thou makest account of him!

144:4 Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that passeth

away.

144:5 Bow thy heavens, O LORD, and come down: touch the mountains, and

they shall smoke.

144:6 Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows,

and destroy them.

144:7 Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great

waters, from the hand of strange children;

144:8 Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right

hand of falsehood.

144:9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery and an

instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.

144:10 It is he that giveth salvation unto kings: who delivereth David

his servant from the hurtful sword.

144:11 Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose

mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of

falsehood:

144:12 That our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that

our daughters may be as corner stones, polished after the similitude

of a palace:

144:13 That our garners may be full, affording all manner of store:

that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our

streets:

144:14 That our oxen may be strong to labour; that there be no

breaking in, nor going out; that there be no complaining in our

streets.

144:15 Happy is that people, that is in such a case: yea, happy is

that people, whose God is the LORD.

145:1 I will extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for

ever and ever.

145:2 Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever

and ever.

145:3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness

is unsearchable.

145:4 One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall

declare thy mighty acts.

145:5 I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy

wondrous works.

145:6 And men shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I

will declare thy greatness.

145:7 They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness,

and shall sing of thy righteousness.

145:8 The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and

of great mercy.

145:9 The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his

works.

145:10 All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall

bless thee.

145:11 They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy

power;

145:12 To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the

glorious majesty of his kingdom.

145:13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion

endureth throughout all generations.

145:14 The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that

be bowed down.

145:15 The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat

in due season.

145:16 Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every

living thing.

145:17 The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his

works.

145:18 The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that

call upon him in truth.

145:19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will

hear their cry, and will save them.

145:20 The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked

will he destroy.

145:21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh

bless his holy name for ever and ever.

146:1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

146:2 While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my

God while I have any being.

146:3 Put not your trust in princes, nor in the son of man, in whom

there is no help.

146:4 His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very

day his thoughts perish.

146:5 Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope

is in the LORD his God:

146:6 Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein is:

which keepeth truth for ever:

146:7 Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to

the hungry. The LORD looseth the prisoners:

146:8 The LORD openeth the eyes of the blind: the LORD raiseth them

that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:

146:9 The LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless

and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.

146:10 The LORD shall reign for ever, even thy God, O Zion, unto all

generations. Praise ye the LORD.

147:1 Praise ye the LORD: for it is good to sing praises unto our God;

for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.

147:2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the

outcasts of Israel.

147:3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

147:4 He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their

names.

147:5 Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is

infinite.

147:6 The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the

ground.

147:7 Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp

unto our God:

147:8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the

earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

147:9 He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which

cry.

147:10 He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not

pleasure in the legs of a man.

147:11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that

hope in his mercy.

147:12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

147:13 For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed

thy children within thee.

147:14 He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the

finest of the wheat.

147:15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: his word runneth

very swiftly.

147:16 He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like

ashes.

147:17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his

cold?

147:18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind

to blow, and the waters flow.

147:19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments

unto Israel.

147:20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments,

they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

148:1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise

him in the heights.

148:2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.

148:3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

148:4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above

the heavens.

148:5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they

were created.

148:6 He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a

decree which shall not pass.

148:7 Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:

148:8 Fire, and hail; snow, and vapours; stormy wind fulfilling his

word:

148:9 Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:

148:10 Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and flying fowl:

148:11 Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of

the earth:

148:12 Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:

148:13 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is

excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven.

148:14 He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his

saints; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise

ye the LORD.

149:1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his

praise in the congregation of saints.

149:2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of

Zion be joyful in their King.

149:3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises

unto him with the timbrel and harp.

149:4 For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the

meek with salvation.

149:5 Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon

their beds.

149:6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged

sword in their hand;

149:7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the

people;

149:8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters

of iron;

149:9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all

his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

150:1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in

the firmament of his power.

150:2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his

excellent greatness.

150:3 Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the

psaltery and harp.

150:4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed

instruments and organs.

150:5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high

sounding cymbals.

150:6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

The Proverbs

1:1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel; 1:2 To

know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

1:3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and

equity; 1:4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge

and discretion.

1:5 A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of

understanding shall attain unto wise counsels: 1:6 To understand a

proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark

sayings.

1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools

despise wisdom and instruction.

1:8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the

law of thy mother: 1:9 For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy

head, and chains about thy neck.

1:10 My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

1:11 If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk

privily for the innocent without cause: 1:12 Let us swallow them up

alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:

1:13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses

with spoil: 1:14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

1:15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from

their path: 1:16 For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed

blood.

1:17 Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird.

1:18 And they lay wait for their own blood; they lurk privily for

their own lives.

1:19 So are the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; which taketh

away the life of the owners thereof.

1:20 Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:

1:21 She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of

the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, saying, 1:22 How long,

ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in

their scorning, and fools hate knowledge? 1:23 Turn you at my

reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known

my words unto you.

1:24 Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my

hand, and no man regarded; 1:25 But ye have set at nought all my

counsel, and would none of my reproof: 1:26 I also will laugh at your

calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; 1:27 When your fear

cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when

distress and anguish cometh upon you.

1:28 Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall

seek me early, but they shall not find me: 1:29 For that they hated

knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: 1:30 They would

none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.

1:31 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be

filled with their own devices.

1:32 For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the

prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

1:33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be

quiet from fear of evil.

2:1 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments

with thee; 2:2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply

thine heart to understanding; 2:3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge,

and liftest up thy voice for understanding; 2:4 If thou seekest her as

silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; 2:5 Then shalt

thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

2:6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and

understanding.

2:7 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to

them that walk uprightly.

2:8 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his

saints.

2:9 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and

equity; yea, every good path.

2:10 When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant

unto thy soul; 2:11 Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding

shall keep thee: 2:12 To deliver thee from the way of the evil man,

from the man that speaketh froward things; 2:13 Who leave the paths of

uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness; 2:14 Who rejoice to do

evil, and delight in the frowardness of the wicked; 2:15 Whose ways

are crooked, and they froward in their paths: 2:16 To deliver thee

from the strange woman, even from the stranger which flattereth with

her words; 2:17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth

the covenant of her God.

2:18 For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead.

2:19 None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the

paths of life.

2:20 That thou mayest walk in the way of good men, and keep the paths

of the righteous.

2:21 For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall

remain in it.

2:22 But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the

transgressors shall be rooted out of it.

3:1 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my

commandments: 3:2 For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall

they add to thee.

3:3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck;

write them upon the table of thine heart: 3:4 So shalt thou find

favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

3:5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine

own understanding.

3:6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

3:7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from

evil.

3:8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

3:9 Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of

all thine increase: 3:10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and

thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

3:11 My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary

of his correction: 3:12 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even

as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

3:13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth

understanding.

3:14 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of

silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

3:15 She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst

desire are not to be compared unto her.

3:16 Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches

and honour.

3:17 Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

3:18 She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy

is every one that retaineth her.

3:19 The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath

he established the heavens.

3:20 By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop

down the dew.

3:21 My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom

and discretion: 3:22 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to

thy neck.

3:23 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not

stumble.

3:24 When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt

lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

3:25 Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the

wicked, when it cometh.

3:26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot

from being taken.

3:27 Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the

power of thine hand to do it.

3:28 Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I

will give; when thou hast it by thee.

3:29 Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth

securely by thee.

3:30 Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no

harm.

3:31 Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

3:32 For the froward is abomination to the LORD: but his secret is

with the righteous.

3:33 The curse of the LORD is in the house of the wicked: but he

blesseth the habitation of the just.

3:34 Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the

lowly.

3:35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of

fools.

4:1 Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know

understanding.

4:2 For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.

4:3 For I was my father's son, tender and only beloved in the sight of

my mother.

4:4 He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my

words: keep my commandments, and live.

4:5 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not; neither decline from

the words of my mouth.

4:6 Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she

shall keep thee.

4:7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all

thy getting get understanding.

4:8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to

honour, when thou dost embrace her.

4:9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of

glory shall she deliver to thee.

4:10 Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life

shall be many.

4:11 I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right

paths.

4:12 When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou

runnest, thou shalt not stumble.

4:13 Take fast hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her; for she

is thy life.

4:14 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of

evil men.

4:15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.

4:16 For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their

sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall.

4:17 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of

violence.

4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth

more and more unto the perfect day.

4:19 The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they

stumble.

4:20 My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

4:21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of

thine heart.

4:22 For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all

their flesh.

4:23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues

of life.

4:24 Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far

from thee.

4:25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight

before thee.

4:26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.

4:27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from

evil.

5:1 My son, attend unto my wisdom, and bow thine ear to my

understanding: 5:2 That thou mayest regard discretion, and that thy

lips may keep knowledge.

5:3 For the lips of a strange woman drop as an honeycomb, and her

mouth is smoother than oil: 5:4 But her end is bitter as wormwood,

sharp as a two-edged sword.

5:5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.

5:6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are

moveable, that thou canst not know them.

5:7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the

words of my mouth.

5:8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her

house: 5:9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto

the cruel: 5:10 Lest strangers be filled with thy wealth; and thy

labours be in the house of a stranger; 5:11 And thou mourn at the

last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed, 5:12 And say, How have

I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof; 5:13 And have not

obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that

instructed me! 5:14 I was almost in all evil in the midst of the

congregation and assembly.

5:15 Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of

thine own well.

5:16 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, and rivers of waters in

the streets.

5:17 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

5:18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy

youth.

5:19 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.

5:20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and

embrace the bosom of a stranger? 5:21 For the ways of man are before

the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

5:22 His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be

holden with the cords of his sins.

5:23 He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his

folly he shall go astray.

6:1 My son, if thou be surety for thy friend, if thou hast stricken

thy hand with a stranger, 6:2 Thou art snared with the words of thy

mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.

6:3 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.

6:4 Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids.

6:5 Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand of the hunter, and as a

bird from the hand of the fowler.

6:6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: 6:7

Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, 6:8 Provideth her meat in

the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.

6:9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of

thy sleep? 6:10 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little

folding of the hands to sleep: 6:11 So shall thy poverty come as one

that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.

6:12 A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth.

6:13 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth

with his fingers; 6:14 Frowardness is in his heart, he deviseth

mischief continually; he soweth discord.

6:15 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be

broken without remedy.

6:16 These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an

abomination unto him: 6:17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands

that shed innocent blood, 6:18 An heart that deviseth wicked

imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, 6:19 A false

witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.

6:20 My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of

thy mother: 6:21 Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them

about thy neck.

6:22 When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall

keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.

6:23 For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs

of instruction are the way of life: 6:24 To keep thee from the evil

woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.

6:25 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take

thee with her eyelids.

6:26 For by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of

bread: and the adultress will hunt for the precious life.

6:27 Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?

6:28 Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned? 6:29 So

he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her shall

not be innocent.

6:30 Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when

he is hungry; 6:31 But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he

shall give all the substance of his house.

6:32 But whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh understanding:

he that doeth it destroyeth his own soul.

6:33 A wound and dishonour shall he get; and his reproach shall not be

wiped away.

6:34 For jealousy is the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in

the day of vengeance.

6:35 He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content,

though thou givest many gifts.

7:1 My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.

7:2 Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine

eye.

7:3 Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine

heart.

7:4 Say unto wisdom, Thou art my sister; and call understanding thy

kinswoman: 7:5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from

the stranger which flattereth with her words.

7:6 For at the window of my house I looked through my casement, 7:7

And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a

young man void of understanding, 7:8 Passing through the street near

her corner; and he went the way to her house, 7:9 In the twilight, in

the evening, in the black and dark night: 7:10 And, behold, there met

him a woman with the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

7:11 (She is loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: 7:12

Now is she without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every

corner.) 7:13 So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent

face said unto him, 7:14 I have peace offerings with me; this day have

I payed my vows.

7:15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face,

and I have found thee.

7:16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved

works, with fine linen of Egypt.

7:17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

7:18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us

solace ourselves with loves.

7:19 For the goodman is not at home, he is gone a long journey: 7:20

He hath taken a bag of money with him, and will come home at the day

appointed.

7:21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the

flattering of her lips she forced him.

7:22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter,

or as a fool to the correction of the stocks; 7:23 Till a dart strike

through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not

that it is for his life.

7:24 Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the

words of my mouth.

7:25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her

paths.

7:26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong men have

been slain by her.

7:27 Her house is the way to hell, going down to the chambers of

death.

8:1 Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice? 8:2

She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of

the paths.

8:3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming

in at the doors.

8:4 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man.

8:5 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an

understanding heart.

8:6 Hear; for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my

lips shall be right things.

8:7 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness is an abomination

to my lips.

8:8 All the words of my mouth are in righteousness; there is nothing

froward or perverse in them.

8:9 They are all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them

that find knowledge.

8:10 Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than

choice gold.

8:11 For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be

desired are not to be compared to it.

8:12 I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty

inventions.

8:13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and

the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

8:14 Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have

strength.

8:15 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.

8:16 By me princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth.

8:17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find

me.

8:18 Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and

righteousness.

8:19 My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue

than choice silver.

8:20 I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of

judgment: 8:21 That I may cause those that love me to inherit

substance; and I will fill their treasures.

8:22 The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his

works of old.

8:23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the

earth was.

8:24 When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were

no fountains abounding with water.

8:25 Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought

forth: 8:26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields,

nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

8:27 When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass

upon the face of the depth: 8:28 When he established the clouds above:

when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: 8:29 When he gave to

the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment:

when he appointed the foundations of the earth: 8:30 Then I was by

him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight,

rejoicing always before him; 8:31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of

his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

8:32 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed are

they that keep my ways.

8:33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

8:34 Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates,

waiting at the posts of my doors.

8:35 For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the

LORD.

8:36 But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they

that hate me love death.

9:1 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven

pillars: 9:2 She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine;

she hath also furnished her table.

9:3 She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest

places of the city, 9:4 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as

for him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him, 9:5 Come, eat of

my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled.

9:6 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

9:7 He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that

rebuketh a wicked man getteth himself a blot.

9:8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and

he will love thee.

9:9 Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a

just man, and he will increase in learning.

9:10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the

knowledge of the holy is understanding.

9:11 For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life

shall be increased.

9:12 If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but if thou

scornest, thou alone shalt bear it.

9:13 A foolish woman is clamorous: she is simple, and knoweth nothing.

9:14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high

places of the city, 9:15 To call passengers who go right on their

ways: 9:16 Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: and as for him

that wanteth understanding, she saith to him, 9:17 Stolen waters are

sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant.

9:18 But he knoweth not that the dead are there; and that her guests

are in the depths of hell.

10:1 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a

foolish son is the heaviness of his mother.

10:2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness

delivereth from death.

10:3 The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but

he casteth away the substance of the wicked.

10:4 He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of

the diligent maketh rich.

10:5 He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth

in harvest is a son that causeth shame.

10:6 Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth

the mouth of the wicked.

10:7 The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked

shall rot.

10:8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool

shall fall.

10:9 He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth

his ways shall be known.

10:10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool

shall fall.

10:11 The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence

covereth the mouth of the wicked.

10:12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

10:13 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.

10:14 Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish is near

destruction.

10:15 The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the

poor is their poverty.

10:16 The labour of the righteous tendeth to life: the fruit of the

wicked to sin.

10:17 He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that

refuseth reproof erreth.

10:18 He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a

slander, is a fool.

10:19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that

refraineth his lips is wise.

10:20 The tongue of the just is as choice silver: the heart of the

wicked is little worth.

10:21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of

wisdom.

10:22 The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no

sorrow with it.

10:23 It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of

understanding hath wisdom.

10:24 The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire

of the righteous shall be granted.

10:25 As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more: but the

righteous is an everlasting foundation.

10:26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the

sluggard to them that send him.

10:27 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the

wicked shall be shortened.

10:28 The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation

of the wicked shall perish.

10:29 The way of the LORD is strength to the upright: but destruction

shall be to the workers of iniquity.

10:30 The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not

inhabit the earth.

10:31 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward

tongue shall be cut out.

10:32 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth

of the wicked speaketh frowardness.

11:1 A false balance is abomination to the LORD: but a just weight is

his delight.

11:2 When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is

wisdom.

11:3 The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the

perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.

11:4 Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness

delivereth from death.

11:5 The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his way: but the

wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.

11:6 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but

transgressors shall be taken in their own naughtiness.

11:7 When a wicked man dieth, his expectation shall perish: and the

hope of unjust men perisheth.

11:8 The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh

in his stead.

11:9 An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through

knowledge shall the just be delivered.

11:10 When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and

when the wicked perish, there is shouting.

11:11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is

overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.

11:12 He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of

understanding holdeth his peace.

11:13 A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful

spirit concealeth the matter.

11:14 Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of

counsellors there is safety.

11:15 He that is surety for a stranger shall smart for it: and he that

hateth suretiship is sure.

11:16 A gracious woman retaineth honour: and strong men retain riches.

11:17 The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but he that is

cruel troubleth his own flesh.

11:18 The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth

righteousness shall be a sure reward.

11:19 As righteousness tendeth to life: so he that pursueth evil

pursueth it to his own death.

11:20 They that are of a froward heart are abomination to the LORD:

but such as are upright in their way are his delight.

11:21 Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished:

but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.

11:22 As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which

is without discretion.

11:23 The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of

the wicked is wrath.

11:24 There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that

withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

11:25 The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall

be watered also himself.

11:26 He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but

blessing shall be upon the head of him that selleth it.

11:27 He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: but he that

seeketh mischief, it shall come unto him.

11:28 He that trusteth in his riches shall fall; but the righteous

shall flourish as a branch.

11:29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the

fool shall be servant to the wise of heart.

11:30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that

winneth souls is wise.

11:31 Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much

more the wicked and the sinner.

12:1 Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth

reproof is brutish.

12:2 A good man obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked

devices will he condemn.

12:3 A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the

righteous shall not be moved.

12:4 A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh

ashamed is as rottenness in his bones.

12:5 The thoughts of the righteous are right: but the counsels of the

wicked are deceit.

12:6 The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the

mouth of the upright shall deliver them.

12:7 The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the

righteous shall stand.

12:8 A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is

of a perverse heart shall be despised.

12:9 He that is despised, and hath a servant, is better than he that

honoureth himself, and lacketh bread.

12:10 A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender

mercies of the wicked are cruel.

12:11 He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he

that followeth vain persons is void of understanding.

12:12 The wicked desireth the net of evil men: but the root of the

righteous yieldeth fruit.

12:13 The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the

just shall come out of trouble.

12:14 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.

12:15 The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that

hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

12:16 A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covereth

shame.

12:17 He that speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false

witness deceit.

12:18 There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the

tongue of the wise is health.

12:19 The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying

tongue is but for a moment.

12:20 Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the

counsellors of peace is joy.

12:21 There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be

filled with mischief.

12:22 Lying lips are abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly

are his delight.

12:23 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools

proclaimeth foolishness.

12:24 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall

be under tribute.

12:25 Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word

maketh it glad.

12:26 The righteous is more excellent than his neighbour: but the way

of the wicked seduceth them.

12:27 The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but

the substance of a diligent man is precious.

12:28 In the way of righteousness is life: and in the pathway thereof

there is no death.

13:1 A wise son heareth his father's instruction: but a scorner

heareth not rebuke.

13:2 A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth: but the soul of

the transgressors shall eat violence.

13:3 He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth

wide his lips shall have destruction.

13:4 The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul

of the diligent shall be made fat.

13:5 A righteous man hateth lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and

cometh to shame.

13:6 Righteousness keepeth him that is upright in the way: but

wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

13:7 There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is

that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches.

13:8 The ransom of a man's life are his riches: but the poor heareth

not rebuke.

13:9 The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked

shall be put out.

13:10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is

wisdom.

13:11 Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that

gathereth by labour shall increase.

13:12 Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but when the desire cometh,

it is a tree of life.

13:13 Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth

the commandment shall be rewarded.

13:14 The law of the wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the

snares of death.

13:15 Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors

is hard.

13:16 Every prudent man dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open

his folly.

13:17 A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful

ambassador is health.

13:18 Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction: but

he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.

13:19 The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is

abomination to fools to depart from evil.

13:20 He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of

fools shall be destroyed.

13:21 Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be

repayed.

13:22 A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children:

and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

13:23 Much food is in the tillage of the poor: but there is that is

destroyed for want of judgment.

13:24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him

chasteneth him betimes.

13:25 The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the

belly of the wicked shall want.

14:1 Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it

down with her hands.

14:2 He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: but he that

is perverse in his ways despiseth him.

14:3 In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of

the wise shall preserve them.

14:4 Where no oxen are, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the

strength of the ox.

14:5 A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter

lies.

14:6 A scorner seeketh wisdom, and findeth it not: but knowledge is

easy unto him that understandeth.

14:7 Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not

in him the lips of knowledge.

14:8 The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way: but the folly

of fools is deceit.

14:9 Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous there is

favour.

14:10 The heart knoweth his own bitterness; and a stranger doth not

intermeddle with his joy.

14:11 The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle

of the upright shall flourish.

14:12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end

thereof are the ways of death.

14:13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that

mirth is heaviness.

14:14 The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a

good man shall be satisfied from himself.

14:15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh

well to his going.

14:16 A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool

rageth, and is confident.

14:17 He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked

devices is hated.

14:18 The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with

knowledge.

14:19 The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the

righteous.

14:20 The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but the rich hath

many friends.

14:21 He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: but he that hath mercy

on the poor, happy is he.

14:22 Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth shall be

to them that devise good.

14:23 In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth

only to penury.

14:24 The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of

fools is folly.

14:25 A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful witness

speaketh lies.

14:26 In the fear of the LORD is strong confidence: and his children

shall have a place of refuge.

14:27 The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, to depart from the

snares of death.

14:28 In the multitude of people is the king's honour: but in the want

of people is the destruction of the prince.

14:29 He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that

is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

14:30 A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness

of the bones.

14:31 He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that

honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.

14:32 The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous

hath hope in his death.

14:33 Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but

that which is in the midst of fools is made known.

14:34 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any

people.

14:35 The king's favour is toward a wise servant: but his wrath is

against him that causeth shame.

15:1 A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up

anger.

15:2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of

fools poureth out foolishness.

15:3 The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and

the good.

15:4 A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein is

a breach in the spirit.

15:5 A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth

reproof is prudent.

15:6 In the house of the righteous is much treasure: but in the

revenues of the wicked is trouble.

15:7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the

foolish doeth not so.

15:8 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but

the prayer of the upright is his delight.

15:9 The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the LORD: but he

loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

15:10 Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: and he

that hateth reproof shall die.

15:11 Hell and destruction are before the LORD: how much more then the

hearts of the children of men? 15:12 A scorner loveth not one that

reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.

15:13 A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of

the heart the spirit is broken.

15:14 The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but

the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.

15:15 All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a

merry heart hath a continual feast.

15:16 Better is little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure

and trouble therewith.

15:17 Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and

hatred therewith.

15:18 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger

appeaseth strife.

15:19 The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: but the

way of the righteous is made plain.

15:20 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his

mother.

15:21 Folly is joy to him that is destitute of wisdom: but a man of

understanding walketh uprightly.

15:22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude

of counsellors they are established.

15:23 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in

due season, how good is it! 15:24 The way of life is above to the

wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

15:25 The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will

establish the border of the widow.

15:26 The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but

the words of the pure are pleasant words.

15:27 He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that

hateth gifts shall live.

15:28 The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of

the wicked poureth out evil things.

15:29 The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of

the righteous.

15:30 The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report

maketh the bones fat.

15:31 The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.

15:32 He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that

heareth reproof getteth understanding.

15:33 The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before

honour is humility.

16:1 The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the

tongue, is from the LORD.

16:2 All the ways of a man are clean in his own eyes; but the LORD

weigheth the spirits.

16:3 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be

established.

16:4 The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked

for the day of evil.

16:5 Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD:

though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.

16:6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the

LORD men depart from evil.

16:7 When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to

be at peace with him.

16:8 Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without

right.

16:9 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.

16:10 A divine sentence is in the lips of the king: his mouth

transgresseth not in judgment.

16:11 A just weight and balance are the LORD's: all the weights of the

bag are his work.

16:12 It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the

throne is established by righteousness.

16:13 Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that

speaketh right.

16:14 The wrath of a king is as messengers of death: but a wise man

will pacify it.

16:15 In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour

is as a cloud of the latter rain.

16:16 How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get

understanding rather to be chosen than silver! 16:17 The highway of

the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth

his soul.

16:18 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a

fall.

16:19 Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to

divide the spoil with the proud.

16:20 He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso

trusteth in the LORD, happy is he.

16:21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of

the lips increaseth learning.

16:22 Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but

the instruction of fools is folly.

16:23 The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to

his lips.

16:24 Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and

health to the bones.

16:25 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end

thereof are the ways of death.

16:26 He that laboureth laboureth for himself; for his mouth craveth

it of him.

16:27 An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a

burning fire.

16:28 A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief

friends.

16:29 A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the

way that is not good.

16:30 He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips

he bringeth evil to pass.

16:31 The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of

righteousness.

16:32 He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that

ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.

16:33 The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof is

of the LORD.

17:1 Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house

full of sacrifices with strife.

17:2 A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and

shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.

17:3 The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the

LORD trieth the hearts.

17:4 A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and a liar giveth ear to

a naughty tongue.

17:5 Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: and he that is glad

at calamities shall not be unpunished.

17:6 Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of

children are their fathers.

17:7 Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a

prince.

17:8 A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it:

whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth.

17:9 He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that

repeateth a matter separateth very friends.

17:10 A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes

into a fool.

17:11 An evil man seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger

shall be sent against him.

17:12 Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool

in his folly.

17:13 Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his

house.

17:14 The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water:

therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.

17:15 He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just,

even they both are abomination to the LORD.

17:16 Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom,

seeing he hath no heart to it? 17:17 A friend loveth at all times,

and a brother is born for adversity.

17:18 A man void of understanding striketh hands, and becometh surety

in the presence of his friend.

17:19 He loveth transgression that loveth strife: and he that exalteth

his gate seeketh destruction.

17:20 He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath a

perverse tongue falleth into mischief.

17:21 He that begetteth a fool doeth it to his sorrow: and the father

of a fool hath no joy.

17:22 A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit

drieth the bones.

17:23 A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways

of judgment.

17:24 Wisdom is before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a

fool are in the ends of the earth.

17:25 A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her

that bare him.

17:26 Also to punish the just is not good, nor to strike princes for

equity.

17:27 He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of

understanding is of an excellent spirit.

17:28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he

that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.

18:1 Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh and

intermeddleth with all wisdom.

18:2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may

discover itself.

18:3 When the wicked cometh, then cometh also contempt, and with

ignominy reproach.

18:4 The words of a man's mouth are as deep waters, and the wellspring

of wisdom as a flowing brook.

18:5 It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow

the righteous in judgment.

18:6 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for

strokes.

18:7 A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of

his soul.

18:8 The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into

the innermost parts of the belly.

18:9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a

great waster.

18:10 The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth

into it, and is safe.

18:11 The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as an high wall in

his own conceit.

18:12 Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before

honour is humility.

18:13 He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and

shame unto him.

18:14 The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded

spirit who can bear? 18:15 The heart of the prudent getteth

knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

18:16 A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great

men.

18:17 He that is first in his own cause seemeth just; but his

neighbour cometh and searcheth him.

18:18 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the

mighty.

18:19 A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and

their contentions are like the bars of a castle.

18:20 A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth;

and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.

18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that

love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

18:22 Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour

of the LORD.

18:23 The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth roughly.

18:24 A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is

a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

19:1 Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is

perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

19:2 Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it is not good; and he

that hasteth with his feet sinneth.

19:3 The foolishness of man perverteth his way: and his heart fretteth

against the LORD.

19:4 Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his

neighbour.

19:5 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh

lies shall not escape.

19:6 Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a

friend to him that giveth gifts.

19:7 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.

19:8 He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth

understanding shall find good.

19:9 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh

lies shall perish.

19:10 Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to

have rule over princes.

19:11 The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory

to pass over a transgression.

19:12 The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion; but his favour is

as dew upon the grass.

19:13 A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions

of a wife are a continual dropping.

19:14 House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent

wife is from the LORD.

19:15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall

suffer hunger.

19:16 He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; but he

that despiseth his ways shall die.

19:17 He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that

which he hath given will he pay him again.

19:18 Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare

for his crying.

19:19 A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou

deliver him, yet thou must do it again.

19:20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise

in thy latter end.

19:21 There are many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the

counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.

19:22 The desire of a man is his kindness: and a poor man is better

than a liar.

19:23 The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall

abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.

19:24 A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so

much as bring it to his mouth again.

19:25 Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one

that hath understanding, and he will understand knowledge.

19:26 He that wasteth his father, and chaseth away his mother, is a

son that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.

19:27 Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from

the words of knowledge.

19:28 An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the

wicked devoureth iniquity.

19:29 Judgments are prepared for scorners, and stripes for the back of

fools.

20:1 Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is

deceived thereby is not wise.

20:2 The fear of a king is as the roaring of a lion: whoso provoketh

him to anger sinneth against his own soul.

20:3 It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool

will be meddling.

20:4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; therefore shall

he beg in harvest, and have nothing.

20:5 Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of

understanding will draw it out.

20:6 Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful

man who can find? 20:7 The just man walketh in his integrity: his

children are blessed after him.

20:8 A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all

evil with his eyes.

20:9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

20:10 Divers weights, and divers measures, both of them are alike

abomination to the LORD.

20:11 Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure,

and whether it be right.

20:12 The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even

both of them.

20:13 Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and

thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

20:14 It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone

his way, then he boasteth.

20:15 There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of

knowledge are a precious jewel.

20:16 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger: and take a

pledge of him for a strange woman.

20:17 Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth

shall be filled with gravel.

20:18 Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice

make war.

20:19 He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore

meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips.

20:20 Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put

out in obscure darkness.

20:21 An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning; but the

end thereof shall not be blessed.

20:22 Say not thou, I will recompense evil; but wait on the LORD, and

he shall save thee.

20:23 Divers weights are an abomination unto the LORD; and a false

balance is not good.

20:24 Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his

own way? 20:25 It is a snare to the man who devoureth that which is

holy, and after vows to make enquiry.

20:26 A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over

them.

20:27 The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD, searching all the

inward parts of the belly.

20:28 Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by

mercy.

20:29 The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old

men is the grey head.

20:30 The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so do stripes the

inward parts of the belly.

21:1 The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of

water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.

21:2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes: but the LORD

pondereth the hearts.

21:3 To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than

sacrifice.

21:4 An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked,

is sin.

21:5 The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of

every one that is hasty only to want.

21:6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a vanity tossed to

and fro of them that seek death.

21:7 The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse

to do judgment.

21:8 The way of man is froward and strange: but as for the pure, his

work is right.

21:9 It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a

brawling woman in a wide house.

21:10 The soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour findeth no

favour in his eyes.

21:11 When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when

the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge.

21:12 The righteous man wisely considereth the house of the wicked:

but God overthroweth the wicked for their wickedness.

21:13 Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall

cry himself, but shall not be heard.

21:14 A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom

strong wrath.

21:15 It is joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction shall be

to the workers of iniquity.

21:16 The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall

remain in the congregation of the dead.

21:17 He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine

and oil shall not be rich.

21:18 The wicked shall be a ransom for the righteous, and the

transgressor for the upright.

21:19 It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious

and an angry woman.

21:20 There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the

wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.

21:21 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life,

righteousness, and honour.

21:22 A wise man scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the

strength of the confidence thereof.

21:23 Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from

troubles.

21:24 Proud and haughty scorner is his name, who dealeth in proud

wrath.

21:25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to

labour.

21:26 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth

and spareth not.

21:27 The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination: how much more, when

he bringeth it with a wicked mind? 21:28 A false witness shall

perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.

21:29 A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the upright, he

directeth his way.

21:30 There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the

LORD.

21:31 The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is

of the LORD.

22:1 A GOOD name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving

favour rather than silver and gold.

22:2 The rich and poor meet together: the LORD is the maker of them

all.

22:3 A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the

simple pass on, and are punished.

22:4 By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and

life.

22:5 Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward: he that doth

keep his soul shall be far from them.

22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he

will not depart from it.

22:7 The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the

lender.

22:8 He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his

anger shall fail.

22:9 He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of

his bread to the poor.

22:10 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife

and reproach shall cease.

22:11 He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the

king shall be his friend.

22:12 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the

words of the transgressor.

22:13 The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be

slain in the streets.

22:14 The mouth of strange women is a deep pit: he that is abhorred of

the LORD shall fall therein.

22:15 Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of

correction shall drive it far from him.

22:16 He that oppresseth the poor to increase his riches, and he that

giveth to the rich, shall surely come to want.

22:17 Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply

thine heart unto my knowledge.

22:18 For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they

shall withal be fitted in thy lips.

22:19 That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee

this day, even to thee.

22:20 Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and

knowledge, 22:21 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? 22:22 Rob not the poor, because he is poor:

neither oppress the afflicted in the gate: 22:23 For the LORD will

plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.

22:24 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man

thou shalt not go: 22:25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to

thy soul.

22:26 Be not thou one of them that strike hands, or of them that are

sureties for debts.

22:27 If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed

from under thee? 22:28 Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy

fathers have set.

22:29 Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before

kings; he shall not stand before mean men.

23:1 When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what

is before thee: 23:2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man

given to appetite.

23:3 Be not desirous of his dainties: for they are deceitful meat.

23:4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.

23:5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches

certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward

heaven.

23:6 Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eye, neither

desire thou his dainty meats: 23:7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so

is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with

thee.

23:8 The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose

thy sweet words.

23:9 Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom

of thy words.

23:10 Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of

the fatherless: 23:11 For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead

their cause with thee.

23:12 Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words

of knowledge.

23:13 Withhold not correction from the child: for if thou beatest him

with the rod, he shall not die.

23:14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul

from hell.

23:15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even

mine.

23:16 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.

23:17 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the

LORD all the day long.

23:18 For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be

cut off.

23:19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the

way.

23:20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh: 23:21

For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness

shall clothe a man with rags.

23:22 Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy

mother when she is old.

23:23 Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction,

and understanding.

23:24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that

begetteth a wise child shall have joy of him.

23:25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee

shall rejoice.

23:26 My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.

23:27 For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow

pit.

23:28 She also lieth in wait as for a prey, and increaseth the

transgressors among men.

23:29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath

babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?

23:30 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed

wine.

23:31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his

colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

23:32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an

adder.

23:33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall

utter perverse things.

23:34 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.

23:35 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.

24:1 Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with

them.

24:2 For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of

mischief.

24:3 Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is

established: 24:4 And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with

all precious and pleasant riches.

24:5 A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth

strength.

24:6 For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of

counsellors there is safety.

24:7 Wisdom is too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the

gate.

24:8 He that deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.

24:9 The thought of foolishness is sin: and the scorner is an

abomination to men.

24:10 If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.

24:11 If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and

those that are ready to be slain; 24:12 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? 24:13 My son, eat thou honey,

because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to thy taste:

24:14 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.

24:15 Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the

righteous; spoil not his resting place: 24:16 For a just man falleth

seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into

mischief.

24:17 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be

glad when he stumbleth: 24:18 Lest the LORD see it, and it displease

him, and he turn away his wrath from him.

24:19 Fret not thyself because of evil men, neither be thou envious at

the wicked: 24:20 For there shall be no reward to the evil man; the

candle of the wicked shall be put out.

24:21 My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with

them that are given to change: 24:22 For their calamity shall rise

suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both? 24:23 These things

also belong to the wise. It is not good to have respect of persons in

judgment.

24:24 He that saith unto the wicked, Thou are righteous; him shall the

people curse, nations shall abhor him: 24:25 But to them that rebuke

him shall be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them.

24:26 Every man shall kiss his lips that giveth a right answer.

24:27 Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the

field; and afterwards build thine house.

24:28 Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and

deceive not with thy lips.

24:29 Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will

render to the man according to his work.

24:30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the

man void of understanding; 24:31 And, lo, it was all grown over with

thorns, and nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall

thereof was broken down.

24:32 Then I saw, and considered it well: I looked upon it, and

received instruction.

24:33 Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the

hands to sleep: 24:34 So shall thy poverty come as one that

travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.

25:1 These are also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah

king of Judah copied out.

25:2 It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of

kings is to search out a matter.

25:3 The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of

kings is unsearchable.

25:4 Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a

vessel for the finer.

25:5 Take away the wicked from before the king, and his throne shall

be established in righteousness.

25:6 Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not

in the place of great men: 25:7 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.

25:8 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.

25:9 Debate thy cause with thy neighbour himself; and discover not a

secret to another: 25:10 Lest he that heareth it put thee to shame,

and thine infamy turn not away.

25:11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of

silver.

25:12 As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a

wise reprover upon an obedient ear.

25:13 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.

25:14 Whoso boasteth himself of a false gift is like clouds and wind

without rain.

25:15 By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue

breaketh the bone.

25:16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee,

lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

25:17 Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary

of thee, and so hate thee.

25:18 A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour is a

maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.

25:19 Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble is like a

broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

25:20 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.

25:21 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be

thirsty, give him water to drink: 25:22 For thou shalt heap coals of

fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

25:23 The north wind driveth away rain: so doth an angry countenance a

backbiting tongue.

25:24 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a

brawling woman and in a wide house.

25:25 As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far

country.

25:26 A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a troubled

fountain, and a corrupt spring.

25:27 It is not good to eat much honey: so for men to search their own

glory is not glory.

25:28 He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is

broken down, and without walls.

26:1 As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not

seemly for a fool.

26:2 As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse

causeless shall not come.

26:3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the

fool's back.

26:4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like

unto him.

26:5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own

conceit.

26:6 He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the

feet, and drinketh damage.

26:7 The legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth

of fools.

26:8 As he that bindeth a stone in a sling, so is he that giveth

honour to a fool.

26:9 As a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so is a parable

in the mouths of fools.

26:10 The great God that formed all things both rewardeth the fool,

and rewardeth transgressors.

26:11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his

folly.

26:12 Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of

a fool than of him.

26:13 The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way; a lion is in

the streets.

26:14 As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon

his bed.

26:15 The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to

bring it again to his mouth.

26:16 The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can

render a reason.

26:17 He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to

him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.

26:18 As a mad man who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death, 26:19 So

is the man that deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?

26:20 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no

talebearer, the strife ceaseth.

26:21 As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a

contentious man to kindle strife.

26:22 The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into

the innermost parts of the belly.

26:23 Burning lips and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with

silver dross.

26:24 He that hateth dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit

within him; 26:25 When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for there

are seven abominations in his heart.

26:26 Whose hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be

shewed before the whole congregation.

26:27 Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a

stone, it will return upon him.

26:28 A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it; and a

flattering mouth worketh ruin.

27:1 Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day

may bring forth.

27:2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger,

and not thine own lips.

27:3 A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath is

heavier than them both.

27:4 Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand

before envy? 27:5 Open rebuke is better than secret love.

27:6 Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy

are deceitful.

27:7 The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every

bitter thing is sweet.

27:8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so is a man that

wandereth from his place.

27:9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of

a man's friend by hearty counsel.

27:10 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.

27:11 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him

that reproacheth me.

27:12 A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself; but the

simple pass on, and are punished.

27:13 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a

pledge of him for a strange woman.

27:14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in

the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

27:15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman

are alike.

27:16 Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his

right hand, which bewrayeth itself.

27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his

friend.

27:18 Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he

that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

27:19 As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man.

27:20 Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are

never satisfied.

27:21 As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so is a

man to his praise.

27:22 Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a

pestle, yet will not his foolishness depart from him.

27:23 Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, and look well

to thy herds.

27:24 For riches are not for ever: and doth the crown endure to every

generation? 27:25 The hay appeareth, and the tender grass sheweth

itself, and herbs of the mountains are gathered.

27:26 The lambs are for thy clothing, and the goats are the price of

the field.

27:27 And thou shalt have goats' milk enough for thy food, for the

food of thy household, and for the maintenance for thy maidens.

28:1 The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold

as a lion.

28:2 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.

28:3 A poor man that oppresseth the poor is like a sweeping rain which

leaveth no food.

28:4 They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the

law contend with them.

28:5 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD

understand all things.

28:6 Better is the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than he that

is perverse in his ways, though he be rich.

28:7 Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion

of riotous men shameth his father.

28:8 He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he

shall gather it for him that will pity the poor.

28:9 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his

prayer shall be abomination.

28:10 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.

28:11 The rich man is wise in his own conceit; but the poor that hath

understanding searcheth him out.

28:12 When righteous men do rejoice, there is great glory: but when

the wicked rise, a man is hidden.

28:13 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso

confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

28:14 Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his

heart shall fall into mischief.

28:15 As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; so is a wicked ruler over

the poor people.

28:16 The prince that wanteth understanding is also a great oppressor:

but he that hateth covetousness shall prolong his days.

28:17 A man that doeth violence to the blood of any person shall flee

to the pit; let no man stay him.

28:18 Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but he that is perverse

in his ways shall fall at once.

28:19 He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that

followeth after vain persons shall have poverty enough.

28:20 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh

haste to be rich shall not be innocent.

28:21 To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread

that man will transgress.

28:22 He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye, and considereth not

that poverty shall come upon him.

28:23 He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he

that flattereth with the tongue.

28:24 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, It is no

transgression; the same is the companion of a destroyer.

28:25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that

putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.

28:26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh

wisely, he shall be delivered.

28:27 He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth

his eyes shall have many a curse.

28:28 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish,

the righteous increase.

29:1 He, that being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly

be destroyed, and that without remedy.

29:2 When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when

the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.

29:3 Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth

company with harlots spendeth his substance.

29:4 The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth

gifts overthroweth it.

29:5 A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.

29:6 In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare: but the

righteous doth sing and rejoice.

29:7 The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: but the wicked

regardeth not to know it.

29:8 Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise men turn away

wrath.

29:9 If a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or

laugh, there is no rest.

29:10 The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.

29:11 A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till

afterwards.

29:12 If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked.

29:13 The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the LORD

lighteneth both their eyes.

29:14 The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be

established for ever.

29:15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself

bringeth his mother to shame.

29:16 When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but

the righteous shall see their fall.

29:17 Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give

delight unto thy soul.

29:18 Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth

the law, happy is he.

29:19 A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he

understand he will not answer.

29:20 Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope

of a fool than of him.

29:21 He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall

have him become his son at the length.

29:22 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in

transgression.

29:23 A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the

humble in spirit.

29:24 Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth

cursing, and bewrayeth it not.

29:25 The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in

the LORD shall be safe.

29:26 Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judgment cometh

from the LORD.

29:27 An unjust man is an abomination to the just: and he that is

upright in the way is abomination to the wicked.

30:1 The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, even the prophecy: the man

spake unto Ithiel, even unto Ithiel and Ucal, 30:2 Surely I am more

brutish than any man, and have not the understanding of a man.

30:3 I neither learned wisdom, nor have the knowledge of the holy.

30:4 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? 30:5 Every word of God is

pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

30:6 Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be

found a liar.

30:7 Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I

die: 30:8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty

nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me: 30:9 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.

30:10 Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse thee, and

thou be found guilty.

30:11 There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not

bless their mother.

30:12 There is a generation that are pure in their own eyes, and yet

is not washed from their filthiness.

30:13 There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their

eyelids are lifted up.

30:14 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.

30:15 The horseleach hath two daughters, crying, Give, give. There are

three things that are never satisfied, yea, four things say not, It is

enough: 30:16 The grave; and the barren womb; the earth that is not

filled with water; and the fire that saith not, It is enough.

30:17 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.

30:18 There be three things which are too wonderful for me, yea, four

which I know not: 30:19 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.

30:20 Such is the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth

her mouth, and saith, I have done no wickedness.

30:21 For three things the earth is disquieted, and for four which it

cannot bear: 30:22 For a servant when he reigneth; and a fool when he

is filled with meat; 30:23 For an odious woman when she is married;

and an handmaid that is heir to her mistress.

30:24 There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they

are exceeding wise: 30:25 The ants are a people not strong, yet they

prepare their meat in the summer; 30:26 The conies are but a feeble

folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks; 30:27 The locusts have

no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands; 30:28 The spider

taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.

30:29 There be three things which go well, yea, four are comely in

going: 30:30 A lion which is strongest among beasts, and turneth not

away for any; 30:31 A greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against

whom there is no rising up.

30:32 If thou hast done foolishly in lifting up thyself, or if thou

hast thought evil, lay thine hand upon thy mouth.

30:33 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.

31:1 The words of king Lemuel, the prophecy that his mother taught

him.

31:2 What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of

my vows? 31:3 Give not thy strength unto women, nor thy ways to that

which destroyeth kings.

31:4 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine;

nor for princes strong drink: 31:5 Lest they drink, and forget the

law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted.

31:6 Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto

those that be of heavy hearts.

31:7 Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no

more.

31:8 Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all such as are

appointed to destruction.

31:9 Open thy mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the

poor and needy.

31:10 Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above

rubies.

31:11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he

shall have no need of spoil.

31:12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

31:13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her

hands.

31:14 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from

afar.

31:15 She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her

household, and a portion to her maidens.

31:16 She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her

hands she planteth a vineyard.

31:17 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.

31:18 She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth

not out by night.

31:19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the

distaff.

31:20 She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth

her hands to the needy.

31:21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her

household are clothed with scarlet.

31:22 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk

and purple.

31:23 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the

elders of the land.

31:24 She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles

unto the merchant.

31:25 Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in

time to come.

31:26 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law

of kindness.

31:27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not

the bread of idleness.

31:28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also,

and he praiseth her.

31:29 Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them

all.

31:30 Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that

feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

31:31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise

her in the gates.

Ecclesiastes

or

The Preacher

1:1 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.

1:2 Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is

vanity.

1:3 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the

sun? 1:4 One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh:

but the earth abideth for ever.

1:5 The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his

place where he arose.

1:6 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.

1:7 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.

1:8 All things are full of labour; man cannot utter it: the eye is not

satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.

1:9 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.

1:10 Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it

hath been already of old time, which was before us.

1:11 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.

1:12 I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.

1:13 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.

1:14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and,

behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit.

1:15 That which is crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is

wanting cannot be numbered.

1:16 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.

1:17 And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and

folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.

1:18 For in much wisdom is much grief: and he that increaseth

knowledge increaseth sorrow.

2:1 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth,

therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.

2:2 I said of laughter, It is mad: and of mirth, What doeth it? 2:3 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.

2:4 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me

vineyards: 2:5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in

them of all kind of fruits: 2:6 I made me pools of water, to water

therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees: 2:7 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: 2:8 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.

2:9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in

Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.

2:10 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.

2:11 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.

2:12 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.

2:13 Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth

darkness.

2:14 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.

2:15 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.

2:16 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.

2:17 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.

2:18 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.

2:19 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.

2:20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the

labour which I took under the sun.

2:21 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.

2:22 For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his

heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun? 2:23 For all his days

are sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in

the night. This is also vanity.

2:24 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.

2:25 For who can eat, or who else can hasten hereunto, more than I?

2:26 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.

3:1 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose

under the heaven: 3:2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to

plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; 3:3 A time to

kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build

up; 3:4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a

time to dance; 3:5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather

stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from

embracing; 3:6 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and

a time to cast away; 3:7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to

keep silence, and a time to speak; 3:8 A time to love, and a time to

hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

3:9 What profit hath he that worketh in that wherein he laboureth?

3:10 I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men

to be exercised in it.

3:11 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.

3:12 I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice,

and to do good in his life.

3:13 And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good

of all his labour, it is the gift of God.

3:14 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.

3:15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already

been; and God requireth that which is past.

3:16 And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that

wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity

was there.

3:17 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.

3:18 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.

3:19 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.

3:20 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust

again.

3:21 Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit

of the beast that goeth downward to the earth? 3:22 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? 4:1 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.

4:2 Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead more than the

living which are yet alive.

4:3 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.

4:4 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.

4:5 The fool foldeth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh.

4:6 Better is an handful with quietness, than both the hands full with

travail and vexation of spirit.

4:7 Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.

4:8 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.

4:9 Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their

labour.

4:10 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.

4:11 Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one

be warm alone? 4:12 And if one prevail against him, two shall

withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

4:13 Better is a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king,

who will no more be admonished.

4:14 For out of prison he cometh to reign; whereas also he that is

born in his kingdom becometh poor.

4:15 I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the

second child that shall stand up in his stead.

4:16 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.

5:1 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.

5:2 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.

5:3 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fool's

voice is known by multitude of words.

5:4 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.

5:5 Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest

vow and not pay.

5:6 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? 5:7 For in the

multitude of dreams and many words there are also divers vanities: but

fear thou God.

5:8 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.

5:9 Moreover the profit of the earth is for all: the king himself is

served by the field.

5:10 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he

that loveth abundance with increase: this is also vanity.

5:11 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? 5:12 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.

5:13 There is a sore evil which I have seen under the sun, namely,

riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.

5:14 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son,

and there is nothing in his hand.

5:15 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.

5:16 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?

5:17 All his days also he eateth in darkness, and he hath much sorrow

and wrath with his sickness.

5:18 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.

5:19 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.

5:20 For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God

answereth him in the joy of his heart.

6:1 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it is common

among men: 6:2 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.

6:3 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.

6:4 For he cometh in with vanity, and departeth in darkness, and his

name shall be covered with darkness.

6:5 Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known any thing: this hath

more rest than the other.

6:6 Yea, though he live a thousand years twice told, yet hath he seen

no good: do not all go to one place? 6:7 All the labour of man is for

his mouth, and yet the appetite is not filled.

6:8 For what hath the wise more than the fool? what hath the poor,

that knoweth to walk before the living? 6:9 Better is the sight of

the eyes than the wandering of the desire: this is also vanity and

vexation of spirit.

6:10 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.

6:11 Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what is man the

better? 6:12 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? 7:1 A good name is

better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of

one's birth.

7:2 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.

7:3 Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the

countenance the heart is made better.

7:4 The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart

of fools is in the house of mirth.

7:5 It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to

hear the song of fools.

7:6 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of

the fool: this also is vanity.

7:7 Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad; and a gift destroyeth the

heart.

7:8 Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the

patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.

7:9 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the

bosom of fools.

7:10 Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better

than these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this.

7:11 Wisdom is good with an inheritance: and by it there is profit to

them that see the sun.

7:12 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.

7:13 Consider the work of God: for who can make that straight, which

he hath made crooked? 7:14 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.

7:15 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.

7:16 Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise: why

shouldest thou destroy thyself ? 7:17 Be not over much wicked,

neither be thou foolish: why shouldest thou die before thy time? 7:18

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.

7:19 Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty men which are

in the city.

7:20 For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and

sinneth not.

7:21 Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear

thy servant curse thee: 7:22 For oftentimes also thine own heart

knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed others.

7:23 All this have I proved by wisdom: I said, I will be wise; but it

was far from me.

7:24 That which is far off, and exceeding deep, who can find it out?

7:25 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: 7:26 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.

7:27 Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, counting one by

one, to find out the account: 7:28 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.

7:29 Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but

they have sought out many inventions.

8:1 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.

8:2 I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that in regard

of the oath of God.

8:3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing;

for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.

8:4 Where the word of a king is, there is power: and who may say unto

him, What doest thou? 8:5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no

evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.

8:6 Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the

misery of man is great upon him.

8:7 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when

it shall be? 8:8 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.

8:9 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.

8:10 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.

8:11 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.

8:12 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: 8:13 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.

8:14 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.

8:15 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.

8:16 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:) 8:17 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.

9:1 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.

9:2 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.

9:3 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.

9:4 For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a

living dog is better than a dead lion.

9:5 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.

9:6 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.

9:7 Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a

merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works.

9:8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no

ointment.

9:9 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.

9:10 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.

9:11 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.

9:12 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.

9:13 This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it seemed great

unto me: 9:14 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: 9:15 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.

9:16 Then said I, Wisdom is better than strength: nevertheless the

poor man's wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard.

9:17 The words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him

that ruleth among fools.

9:18 Wisdom is better than weapons of war: but one sinner destroyeth

much good.

10:1 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.

10:2 A wise man's heart is at his right hand; but a fool's heart at

his left.

10:3 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.

10:4 If the spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, leave not thy

place; for yielding pacifieth great offences.

10:5 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, as an error

which proceedeth from the ruler: 10:6 Folly is set in great dignity,

and the rich sit in low place.

10:7 I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking as servants

upon the earth.

10:8 He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an

hedge, a serpent shall bite him.

10:9 Whoso removeth stones shall be hurt therewith; and he that

cleaveth wood shall be endangered thereby.

10:10 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.

10:11 Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment; and a babbler

is no better.

10:12 The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a

fool will swallow up himself.

10:13 The beginning of the words of his mouth is foolishness: and the

end of his talk is mischievous madness.

10:14 A fool also is full of words: a man cannot tell what shall be;

and what shall be after him, who can tell him? 10:15 The labour of

the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to

go to the city.

10:16 Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes

eat in the morning! 10:17 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! 10:18 By much slothfulness the building

decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth

through.

10:19 A feast is made for laughter, and wine maketh merry: but money

answereth all things.

10:20 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.

11:1 Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many

days.

11:2 Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not

what evil shall be upon the earth.

11:3 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.

11:4 He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth

the clouds shall not reap.

11:5 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.

11:6 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.

11:7 Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes

to behold the sun: 11:8 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.

11:9 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.

11:10 Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from

thy flesh: for childhood and youth are vanity.

12:1 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; 12:2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or

the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain: 12:3

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, 12:4 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; 12:5 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: 12:6 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.

12:7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit

shall return unto God who gave it.

12:8 Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all is vanity.

12:9 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.

12:10 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and that which

was written was upright, even words of truth.

12:11 The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the

masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.

12:12 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.

12:13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and

keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.

12:14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret

thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

The Song of Solomon

1:1 The song of songs, which is Solomon's.

1:2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love is

better than wine.

1:3 Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name is as

ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.

1:4 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.

1:5 I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents

of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

1:6 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.

1:7 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? 1:8 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.

1:9 I have compared thee, O my love, to a company of horses in

Pharaoh's chariots.

1:10 Thy cheeks are comely with rows of jewels, thy neck with chains

of gold.

1:11 We will make thee borders of gold with studs of silver.

1:12 While the king sitteth at his table, my spikenard sendeth forth

the smell thereof.

1:13 A bundle of myrrh is my well-beloved unto me; he shall lie all

night betwixt my breasts.

1:14 My beloved is unto me as a cluster of camphire in the vineyards

of Engedi.

1:15 Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold, thou art fair; thou hast

doves' eyes.

1:16 Behold, thou art fair, my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our bed is

green.

1:17 The beams of our house are cedar, and our rafters of fir.

2:1 I am the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys.

2:2 As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters.

2:3 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.

2:4 He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was

love.

2:5 Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of

love.

2:6 His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace

me.

2:7 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.

2:8 The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh leaping upon the

mountains, skipping upon the hills.

2:9 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.

2:10 My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair

one, and come away.

2:11 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; 2:12 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; 2:13 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.

2:14 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.

2:15 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for

our vines have tender grapes.

2:16 My beloved is mine, and I am his: he feedeth among the lilies.

2:17 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.

3:1 By night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loveth: I sought him,

but I found him not.

3:2 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.

3:3 The watchmen that go about the city found me: to whom I said, Saw

ye him whom my soul loveth? 3:4 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.

3:5 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.

3:6 Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of

smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the

merchant? 3:7 Behold his bed, which is Solomon's; threescore valiant

men are about it, of the valiant of Israel.

3:8 They all hold swords, being expert in war: every man hath his

sword upon his thigh because of fear in the night.

3:9 King Solomon made himself a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.

3:10 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.

3:11 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.

4:1 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.

4:2 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.

4:3 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.

4:4 Thy neck is like the tower of David builded for an armoury,

whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.

4:5 Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins, which feed

among the lilies.

4:6 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to

the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.

4:7 Thou art all fair, my love; there is no spot in thee.

4:8 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.

4:9 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.

4:10 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!

4:11 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.

4:12 A garden inclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a

fountain sealed.

4:13 Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits;

camphire, with spikenard, 4:14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and

cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all

the chief spices: 4:15 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters,

and streams from Lebanon.

4:16 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.

5:1 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.

5:2 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.

5:3 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my

feet; how shall I defile them? 5:4 My beloved put in his hand by the

hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 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.

5:8 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved,

that ye tell him, that I am sick of love.

5:9 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? 5:10 My beloved is white and ruddy, the chiefest

among ten thousand.

5:11 His head is as the most fine gold, his locks are bushy, and black

as a raven.

5:12 His eyes are as the eyes of doves by the rivers of waters, washed

with milk, and fitly set.

5:13 His cheeks are as a bed of spices, as sweet flowers: his lips

like lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh.

5:14 His hands are as gold rings set with the beryl: his belly is as

bright ivory overlaid with sapphires.

5:15 His legs are as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold:

his countenance is as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.

5:16 His mouth is most sweet: yea, he is altogether lovely. This is my

beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

6:1 Whither is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither

is thy beloved turned aside? that we may seek him with thee.

6:2 My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to

feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.

6:3 I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine: he feedeth among the

lilies.

6:4 Thou art beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem,

terrible as an army with banners.

6:5 Turn away thine eyes from me, for they have overcome me: thy hair

is as a flock of goats that appear from Gilead.

6:6 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.

6:7 As a piece of a pomegranate are thy temples within thy locks.

6:8 There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins

without number.

6:9 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.

6:10 Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon,

clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners? 6:11 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.

6:12 Or ever I was aware, my soul made me like the chariots of

Amminadib.

6:13 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.

7:1 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.

7:2 Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor: thy

belly is like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

7:3 Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins.

7:4 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.

7:5 Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head

like purple; the king is held in the galleries.

7:6 How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights! 7:7

This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters

of grapes.

7:8 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; 7:9 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.

7:10 I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me.

7:11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in

the villages.

7:12 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.

7:13 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.

8:1 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.

8:2 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.

8:3 His left hand should be under my head, and his right hand should

embrace me.

8:4 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye stir not up, nor

awake my love, until he please.

8:5 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.

8:6 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.

8:7 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.

8:8 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? 8:9 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.

8:10 I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes

as one that found favour.

8:11 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.

8:12 My vineyard, which is mine, is before me: thou, O Solomon, must

have a thousand, and those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.

8:13 Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy

voice: cause me to hear it.

8:14 Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young

hart upon the mountains of spices.

The Book of the Prophet Isaiah

1:1 The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning

Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah,

kings of Judah.

1:2 Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken,

I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled

against me.

1:3 The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: but

Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider.

1:4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of

evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD,

they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone

away backward.

1:5 Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more:

the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.

1:6 From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness

in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not

been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment.

1:7 Your country is desolate, your cities are burned with fire: your

land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate, as

overthrown by strangers.

1:8 And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a

lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city.

1:9 Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we

should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.

1:10 Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the

law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.

1:11 To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me?

saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat

of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of

lambs, or of he goats.

1:12 When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your

hand, to tread my courts? 1:13 Bring no more vain oblations; incense

is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of

assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn

meeting.

1:14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are

a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them.

1:15 And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from

you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are

full of blood.

1:16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from

before mine eyes; cease to do evil; 1:17 Learn to do well; seek

judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the

widow.

1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your

sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red

like crimson, they shall be as wool.

1:19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

1:20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword:

for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

1:21 How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of

judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers.

1:22 Thy silver is become dross, thy wine mixed with water: 1:23 Thy

princes are rebellious, and companions of thieves: every one loveth

gifts, and followeth after rewards: they judge not the fatherless,

neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them.

1:24 Therefore saith the LORD, the LORD of hosts, the mighty One of

Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine

enemies: 1:25 And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away

thy dross, and take away all thy tin: 1:26 And I will restore thy

judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning:

afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the

faithful city.

1:27 Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with

righteousness.

1:28 And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners shall

be together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.

1:29 For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which ye have desired, and

ye shall be confounded for the gardens that ye have chosen.

1:30 For ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that

hath no water.

1:31 And the strong shall be as tow, and the maker of it as a spark,

and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench them.

2:1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and

Jerusalem.

2:2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of

the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and

shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

2:3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the

mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will

teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion

shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

2:4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many

people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their

spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against

nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

2:5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the

LORD.

2:6 Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people the house of Jacob,

because they be replenished from the east, and are soothsayers like

the Philistines, and they please themselves in the children of

strangers.

2:7 Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither is there any

end of their treasures; their land is also full of horses, neither is

there any end of their chariots: 2:8 Their land also is full of idols;

they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers

have made: 2:9 And the mean man boweth down, and the great man

humbleth himself: therefore forgive them not.

2:10 Enter into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of the

LORD, and for the glory of his majesty.

2:11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of

men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that

day.

2:12 For the day of the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is

proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be

brought low: 2:13 And upon all the cedars of Lebanon, that are high

and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan, 2:14 And upon all the

high mountains, and upon all the hills that are lifted up, 2:15 And

upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall, 2:16 And upon all

the ships of Tarshish, and upon all pleasant pictures.

2:17 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness

of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that

day.

2:18 And the idols he shall utterly abolish.

2:19 And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves

of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty,

when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

2:20 In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols

of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles

and to the bats; 2:21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the

tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of

his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

2:22 Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein

is he to be accounted of ? 3:1 For, behold, the Lord, the LORD of

hosts, doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah the stay and the

staff, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water.

3:2 The mighty man, and the man of war, the judge, and the prophet,

and the prudent, and the ancient, 3:3 The captain of fifty, and the

honourable man, and the counsellor, and the cunning artificer, and the

eloquent orator.

3:4 And I will give children to be their princes, and babes shall rule

over them.

3:5 And the people shall be oppressed, every one by another, and every

one by his neighbour: the child shall behave himself proudly against

the ancient, and the base against the honourable.

3:6 When a man shall take hold of his brother of the house of his

father, saying, Thou hast clothing, be thou our ruler, and let this

ruin be under thy hand: 3:7 In that day shall he swear, saying, I will

not be an healer; for in my house is neither bread nor clothing: make

me not a ruler of the people.

3:8 For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen: because their tongue

and their doings are against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of his

glory.

3:9 The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they

declare their sin as Sodom, they hide it not. Woe unto their soul! for

they have rewarded evil unto themselves.

3:10 Say ye to the righteous, that it shall be well with him: for they

shall eat the fruit of their doings.

3:11 Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of

his hands shall be given him.

3:12 As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule

over them. O my people, they which lead thee cause thee to err, and

destroy the way of thy paths.

3:13 The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.

3:14 The LORD will enter into judgment with the ancients of his

people, and the princes thereof: for ye have eaten up the vineyard;

the spoil of the poor is in your houses.

3:15 What mean ye that ye beat my people to pieces, and grind the

faces of the poor? saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

3:16 Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are

haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking

and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet: 3:17

Therefore the LORD will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the

daughters of Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts.

3:18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling

ornaments about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires

like the moon, 3:19 The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers,

3:20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands,

and the tablets, and the earrings, 3:21 The rings, and nose jewels,

3:22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the

wimples, and the crisping pins, 3:23 The glasses, and the fine linen,

and the hoods, and the vails.

3:24 And it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell there

shall be stink; and instead of a girdle a rent; and instead of well

set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth;

and burning instead of beauty.

3:25 Thy men shall fall by the sword, and thy mighty in the war.

3:26 And her gates shall lament and mourn; and she being desolate

shall sit upon the ground.

4:1 And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We

will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be

called by thy name, to take away our reproach.

4:2 In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and

glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for

them that are escaped of Israel.

4:3 And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he

that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that

is written among the living in Jerusalem: 4:4 When the Lord shall have

washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged

the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of

judgment, and by the spirit of burning.

4:5 And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion,

and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of

a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defence.

4:6 And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the day time from

the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and

from rain.

5:1 Now will I sing to my wellbeloved a song of my beloved touching

his vineyard. My wellbeloved hath a vineyard in a very fruitful hill:

5:2 And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted

it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and

also made a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring

forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.

5:3 And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, judge, I

pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard.

5:4 What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not

done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth

grapes, brought it forth wild grapes? 5:5 And now go to; I will tell

you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof,

and it shall be eaten up; and break down the wall thereof, and it

shall be trodden down: 5:6 And I will lay it waste: it shall not be

pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up briers and thorns: I will

also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

5:7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and

the men of Judah his pleasant plant: and he looked for judgment, but

behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

5:8 Woe unto them that join house to house, that lay field to field,

till there be no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of

the earth! 5:9 In mine ears said the LORD of hosts, Of a truth many

houses shall be desolate, even great and fair, without inhabitant.

5:10 Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath, and the seed of

an homer shall yield an ephah.

5:11 Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may

follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame

them! 5:12 And the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and

wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD,

neither consider the operation of his hands.

5:13 Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because they have no

knowledge: and their honourable men are famished, and their multitude

dried up with thirst.

5:14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth

without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp,

and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

5:15 And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall

be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled: 5:16 But the

LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall

be sanctified in righteousness.

5:17 Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste

places of the fat ones shall strangers eat.

5:18 Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as

it were with a cart rope: 5:19 That say, Let him make speed, and

hasten his work, that we may see it: and let the counsel of the Holy

One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know it! 5:20 Woe unto

them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light,

and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for

bitter! 5:21 Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and

prudent in their own sight! 5:22 Woe unto them that are mighty to

drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink: 5:23 Which

justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the

righteous from him! 5:24 Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble,

and the flame consumeth the chaff, so their root shall be as

rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have

cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the

Holy One of Israel.

5:25 Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people,

and he hath stretched forth his hand against them, and hath smitten

them: and the hills did tremble, and their carcases were torn in the

midst of the streets.

For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched

out still.

5:26 And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will

hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come

with speed swiftly: 5:27 None shall be weary nor stumble among them;

none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins

be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken: 5:28 Whose arrows

are sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be

counted like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind: 5:29 Their

roaring shall be like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea,

they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry it away

safe, and none shall deliver it.

5:30 And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of

the sea: and if one look unto the land, behold darkness and sorrow,

and the light is darkened in the heavens thereof.

6:1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon

a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

6:2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain

he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with

twain he did fly.

6:3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the

LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

6:4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried,

and the house was filled with smoke.

6:5 Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of

unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips:

for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his

hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: 6:7 And he

laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and

thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and

who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

6:9 And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but

understand not; and see ye indeed, but perceive not.

6:10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and

shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their

ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

6:11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be

wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be

utterly desolate, 6:12 And the LORD have removed men far away, and

there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land.

6:13 But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall return, and shall be

eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose substance is in them, when

they cast their leaves: so the holy seed shall be the substance

thereof.

7:1 And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son

of Uzziah, king of Judah, that Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the

son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war

against it, but could not prevail against it.

7:2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate

with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as

the trees of the wood are moved with the wind.

7:3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou,

and Shearjashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool

in the highway of the fuller's field; 7:4 And say unto him, Take heed,

and be quiet; fear not, neither be fainthearted for the two tails of

these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria,

and of the son of Remaliah.

7:5 Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil

counsel against thee, saying, 7:6 Let us go up against Judah, and vex

it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the

midst of it, even the son of Tabeal: 7:7 Thus saith the Lord GOD, It

shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.

7:8 For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is

Rezin; and within threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken,

that it be not a people.

7:9 And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is

Remaliah's son. If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be

established.

7:10 Moreover the LORD spake again unto Ahaz, saying, 7:11 Ask thee a

sign of the LORD thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height

above.

7:12 But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD.

7:13 And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing

for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? 7:14 Therefore

the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall

conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

7:15 Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the

evil, and choose the good.

7:16 For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose

the good, the land that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of both her

kings.

7:17 The LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy

father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim

departed from Judah; even the king of Assyria.

7:18 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall hiss

for the fly that is in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and

for the bee that is in the land of Assyria.

7:19 And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate

valleys, and in the holes of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon

all bushes.

7:20 In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired,

namely, by them beyond the river, by the king of Assyria, the head,

and the hair of the feet: and it shall also consume the beard.

7:21 And it shall come to pass in that day, that a man shall nourish a

young cow, and two sheep; 7:22 And it shall come to pass, for the

abundance of milk that they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter

and honey shall every one eat that is left in the land.

7:23 And it shall come to pass in that day, that every place shall be,

where there were a thousand vines at a thousand silverlings, it shall

even be for briers and thorns.

7:24 With arrows and with bows shall men come thither; because all the

land shall become briers and thorns.

7:25 And on all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there

shall not come thither the fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be

for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattle.

8:1 Moreover the LORD said unto me, Take thee a great roll, and write

in it with a man's pen concerning Mahershalalhashbaz.

8:2 And I took unto me faithful witnesses to record, Uriah the priest,

and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah.

8:3 And I went unto the prophetess; and she conceived, and bare a son.

Then said the LORD to me, Call his name Mahershalalhashbaz.

8:4 For before the child shall have knowledge to cry, My father, and

my mother, the riches of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be

taken away before the king of Assyria.

8:5 The LORD spake also unto me again, saying, 8:6 Forasmuch as this

people refuseth the waters of Shiloah that go softly, and rejoice in

Rezin and Remaliah's son; 8:7 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth

up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, even the king

of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his

channels, and go over all his banks: 8:8 And he shall pass through

Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach even to the neck;

and the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy

land, O Immanuel.

8:9 Associate yourselves, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in

pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye

shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in

pieces.

8:10 Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the

word, and it shall not stand: for God is with us.

8:11 For the LORD spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed

me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying, 8:12 Say

ye not, A confederacy, to all them to whom this people shall say, A

confederacy; neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid.

8:13 Sanctify the LORD of hosts himself; and let him be your fear, and

let him be your dread.

8:14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and

for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for

a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

8:15 And many among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and

be snared, and be taken.

8:16 Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.

8:17 And I will wait upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the

house of Jacob, and I will look for him.

8:18 Behold, I and the children whom the LORD hath given me are for

signs and for wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth

in mount Zion.

8:19 And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have

familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should

not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? 8:20 To

the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this

word, it is because there is no light in them.

8:21 And they shall pass through it, hardly bestead and hungry: and it

shall come to pass, that when they shall be hungry, they shall fret

themselves, and curse their king and their God, and look upward.

8:22 And they shall look unto the earth; and behold trouble and

darkness, dimness of anguish; and they shall be driven to darkness.

9:1 Nevertheless the dimness shall not be such as was in her vexation,

when at the first he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun and the

land of Naphtali, and afterward did more grievously afflict her by the

way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee of the nations.

9:2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they

that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the

light shined.

9:3 Thou hast multiplied the nation, and not increased the joy: they

joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice

when they divide the spoil.

9:4 For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his

shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian.

9:5 For every battle of the warrior is with confused noise, and

garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of

fire.

9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the

government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called

Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The

Prince of Peace.

9:7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end,

upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to

establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for

ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

9:8 The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.

9:9 And all the people shall know, even Ephraim and the inhabitant of

Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart, 9:10 The bricks

are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycomores are

cut down, but we will change them into cedars.

9:11 Therefore the LORD shall set up the adversaries of Rezin against

him, and join his enemies together; 9:12 The Syrians before, and the

Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel with open mouth. For

all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out

still.

9:13 For the people turneth not unto him that smiteth them, neither do

they seek the LORD of hosts.

9:14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch

and rush, in one day.

9:15 The ancient and honourable, he is the head; and the prophet that

teacheth lies, he is the tail.

9:16 For the leaders of this people cause them to err; and they that

are led of them are destroyed.

9:17 Therefore the LORD shall have no joy in their young men, neither

shall have mercy on their fatherless and widows: for every one is an

hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speaketh folly. For all

this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out

still.

9:18 For wickedness burneth as the fire: it shall devour the briers

and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they

shall mount up like the lifting up of smoke.

9:19 Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and

the people shall be as the fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his

brother.

9:20 And he shall snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he

shall eat on the left hand, and they shall not be satisfied: they

shall eat every man the flesh of his own arm: 9:21 Manasseh, Ephraim;

and Ephraim, Manasseh: and they together shall be against Judah. For

all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out

still.

10:1 Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and that write

grievousness which they have prescribed; 10:2 To turn aside the needy

from judgment, and to take away the right from the poor of my people,

that widows may be their prey, and that they may rob the fatherless!

10:3 And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the

desolation which shall come from far? to whom will ye flee for help?

and where will ye leave your glory? 10:4 Without me they shall bow

down under the prisoners, and they shall fall under the slain. For all

this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out

still.

10:5 O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is

mine indignation.

10:6 I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the

people of my wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to

take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets.

10:7 Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so; but

it is in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few.

10:8 For he saith, Are not my princes altogether kings? 10:9 Is not

Calno as Carchemish? is not Hamath as Arpad? is not Samaria as

Damascus? 10:10 As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the idols, and

whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria; 10:11

Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to

Jerusalem and her idols? 10:12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, that

when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on

Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of

Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

10:13 For he saith, By the strength of my hand I have done it, and by

my wisdom; for I am prudent: and I have removed the bounds of the

people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the

inhabitants like a valiant man: 10:14 And my hand hath found as a nest

the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs that are left,

have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing,

or opened the mouth, or peeped.

10:15 Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith? or

shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? as if the

rod should shake itself against them that lift it up, or as if the

staff should lift up itself, as if it were no wood.

10:16 Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat

ones leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the

burning of a fire.

10:17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One

for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briers in

one day; 10:18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his

fruitful field, both soul and body: and they shall be as when a

standard-bearer fainteth.

10:19 And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a

child may write them.

10:20 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of

Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more

again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the

Holy One of Israel, in truth.

10:21 The remnant shall return, even the remnant of Jacob, unto the

mighty God.

10:22 For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, yet a

remnant of them shall return: the consumption decreed shall overflow

with righteousness.

10:23 For the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a consumption, even

determined, in the midst of all the land.

10:24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that

dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee

with a rod, and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner

of Egypt.

10:25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease,

and mine anger in their destruction.

10:26 And the LORD of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him according

to the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb: and as his rod was

upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.

10:27 And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be

taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and

the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.

10:28 He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron; at Michmash he hath

laid up his carriages: 10:29 They are gone over the passage: they have

taken up their lodging at Geba; Ramah is afraid; Gibeah of Saul is

fled.

10:30 Lift up thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard

unto Laish, O poor Anathoth.

10:31 Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves

to flee.

10:32 As yet shall he remain at Nob that day: he shall shake his hand

against the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.

10:33 Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with

terror: and the high ones of stature shall be hewn down, and the

haughty shall be humbled.

10:34 And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and

Lebanon shall fall by a mighty one.

11:1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a

Branch shall grow out of his roots: 11:2 And the spirit of the LORD

shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the

spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear

of the LORD; 11:3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the

fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes,

neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: 11:4 But with

righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the

meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth: with the rod of his

mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

11:5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and

faithfulness the girdle of his reins.

11:6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall

lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling

together; and a little child shall lead them.

11:7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie

down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

11:8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the

weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

11:9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the

earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover

the sea.

11:10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall

stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and

his rest shall be glorious.

11:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set

his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people,

which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros,

and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and

from the islands of the sea.

11:12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall

assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of

Judah from the four corners of the earth.

11:13 The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of

Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall

not vex Ephraim.

11:14 But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward

the west; they shall spoil them of the east together: they shall lay

their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon shall obey

them.

11:15 And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian

sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river,

and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make men go over dryshod.

11:16 And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people,

which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day

that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

12:1 And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee:

though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou

comfortedst me.

12:2 Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for

the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my

salvation.

12:3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of

salvation.

12:4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his

name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name

is exalted.

12:5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this is

known in all the earth.

12:6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy

One of Israel in the midst of thee.

13:1 The burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.

13:2 Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto

them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.

13:3 I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty

ones for mine anger, even them that rejoice in my highness.

13:4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great

people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered

together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the battle.

13:5 They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, even the

LORD, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land.

13:6 Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a

destruction from the Almighty.

13:7 Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall

melt: 13:8 And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold

of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall

be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames.

13:9 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and

fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the

sinners thereof out of it.

13:10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not

give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and

the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

13:11 And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for

their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease,

and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

13:12 I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than

the golden wedge of Ophir.

13:13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove

out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of

his fierce anger.

13:14 And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man

taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every

one into his own land.

13:15 Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one

that is joined unto them shall fall by the sword.

13:16 Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes;

their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.

13:17 Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not

regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it.

13:18 Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they

shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eyes shall not

spare children.

13:19 And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees'

excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

13:20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from

generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there;

neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

13:21 But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses

shall be full of doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and

satyrs shall dance there.

13:22 And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate

houses, and dragons in their pleasant palaces: and her time is near to

come, and her days shall not be prolonged.

14:1 For the LORD will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose

Israel, and set them in their own land: and the strangers shall be

joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob.

14:2 And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place:

and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the LORD for

servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives, whose

captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors.

14:3 And it shall come to pass in the day that the LORD shall give

thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard

bondage wherein thou wast made to serve, 14:4 That thou shalt take up

this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath the

oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased! 14:5 The LORD hath broken

the staff of the wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers.

14:6 He who smote the people in wrath with a continual stroke, he that

ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, and none hindereth.

14:7 The whole earth is at rest, and is quiet: they break forth into

singing.

14:8 Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, and the cedars of Lebanon,

saying, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.

14:9 Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming:

it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the

earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the

nations.

14:10 All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become

weak as we? art thou become like unto us? 14:11 Thy pomp is brought

down to the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread

under thee, and the worms cover thee.

14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!

how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

14:13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I

will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the

mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14:14 I will

ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

14:15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

14:16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider

thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did

shake kingdoms; 14:17 That made the world as a wilderness, and

destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his

prisoners? 14:18 All the kings of the nations, even all of them, lie

in glory, every one in his own house.

14:19 But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch,

and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a

sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden

under feet.

14:20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast

destroyed thy land, and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall

never be renowned.

14:21 Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their

fathers; that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the

face of the world with cities.

14:22 For I will rise up against them, saith the LORD of hosts, and

cut off from Babylon the name, and remnant, and son, and nephew, saith

the LORD.

14:23 I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of

water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, saith the

LORD of hosts.

14:24 The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought,

so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand:

14:25 That I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains

tread him under foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and

his burden depart from off their shoulders.

14:26 This is the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and

this is the hand that is stretched out upon all the nations.

14:27 For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul it?

and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back? 14:28 In

the year that king Ahaz died was this burden.

14:29 Rejoice not thou, whole Palestina, because the rod of him that

smote thee is broken: for out of the serpent's root shall come forth a

cockatrice, and his fruit shall be a fiery flying serpent.

14:30 And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall

lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall

slay thy remnant.

14:31 Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestina, art dissolved:

for there shall come from the north a smoke, and none shall be alone

in his appointed times.

14:32 What shall one then answer the messengers of the nation? That

the LORD hath founded Zion, and the poor of his people shall trust in

it.

15:1 The burden of Moab. Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid

waste, and brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is

laid waste, and brought to silence; 15:2 He is gone up to Bajith, and

to Dibon, the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl over Nebo, and

over Medeba: on all their heads shall be baldness, and every beard cut

off.

15:3 In their streets they shall gird themselves with sackcloth: on

the tops of their houses, and in their streets, every one shall howl,

weeping abundantly.

15:4 And Heshbon shall cry, and Elealeh: their voice shall be heard

even unto Jahaz: therefore the armed soldiers of Moab shall cry out;

his life shall be grievous unto him.

15:5 My heart shall cry out for Moab; his fugitives shall flee unto

Zoar, an heifer of three years old: for by the mounting up of Luhith

with weeping shall they go it up; for in the way of Horonaim they

shall raise up a cry of destruction.

15:6 For the waters of Nimrim shall be desolate: for the hay is

withered away, the grass faileth, there is no green thing.

15:7 Therefore the abundance they have gotten, and that which they

have laid up, shall they carry away to the brook of the willows.

15:8 For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab; the howling

thereof unto Eglaim, and the howling thereof unto Beerelim.

15:9 For the waters of Dimon shall be full of blood: for I will bring

more upon Dimon, lions upon him that escapeth of Moab, and upon the

remnant of the land.

16:1 Send ye the lamb to the ruler of the land from Sela to the

wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter of Zion.

16:2 For it shall be, that, as a wandering bird cast out of the nest,

so the daughters of Moab shall be at the fords of Arnon.

16:3 Take counsel, execute judgment; make thy shadow as the night in

the midst of the noonday; hide the outcasts; bewray not him that

wandereth.

16:4 Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab; be thou a covert to them

from the face of the spoiler: for the extortioner is at an end, the

spoiler ceaseth, the oppressors are consumed out of the land.

16:5 And in mercy shall the throne be established: and he shall sit

upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking

judgment, and hasting righteousness.

16:6 We have heard of the pride of Moab; he is very proud: even of his

haughtiness, and his pride, and his wrath: but his lies shall not be

so.

16:7 Therefore shall Moab howl for Moab, every one shall howl: for the

foundations of Kirhareseth shall ye mourn; surely they are stricken.

16:8 For the fields of Heshbon languish, and the vine of Sibmah: the

lords of the heathen have broken down the principal plants thereof,

they are come even unto Jazer, they wandered through the wilderness:

her branches are stretched out, they are gone over the sea.

16:9 Therefore I will bewail with the weeping of Jazer the vine of

Sibmah: I will water thee with my tears, O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for

the shouting for thy summer fruits and for thy harvest is fallen.

16:10 And gladness is taken away, and joy out of the plentiful field;

and in the vineyards there shall be no singing, neither shall there be

shouting: the treaders shall tread out no wine in their presses; I

have made their vintage shouting to cease.

16:11 Wherefore my bowels shall sound like an harp for Moab, and mine

inward parts for Kirharesh.

16:12 And it shall come to pass, when it is seen that Moab is weary on

the high place, that he shall come to his sanctuary to pray; but he

shall not prevail.

16:13 This is the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since

that time.

16:14 But now the LORD hath spoken, saying, Within three years, as the

years of an hireling, and the glory of Moab shall be contemned, with

all that great multitude; and the remnant shall be very small and

feeble.

17:1 The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being

a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap.

17:2 The cities of Aroer are forsaken: they shall be for flocks, which

shall lie down, and none shall make them afraid.

17:3 The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from

Damascus, and the remnant of Syria: they shall be as the glory of the

children of Israel, saith the LORD of hosts.

17:4 And in that day it shall come to pass, that the glory of Jacob

shall be made thin, and the fatness of his flesh shall wax lean.

17:5 And it shall be as when the harvestman gathereth the corn, and

reapeth the ears with his arm; and it shall be as he that gathereth

ears in the valley of Rephaim.

17:6 Yet gleaning grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an

olive tree, two or three berries in the top of the uppermost bough,

four or five in the outmost fruitful branches thereof, saith the LORD

God of Israel.

17:7 At that day shall a man look to his Maker, and his eyes shall

have respect to the Holy One of Israel.

17:8 And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands,

neither shall respect that which his fingers have made, either the

groves, or the images.

17:9 In that day shall his strong cities be as a forsaken bough, and

an uppermost branch, which they left because of the children of

Israel: and there shall be desolation.

17:10 Because thou hast forgotten the God of thy salvation, and hast

not been mindful of the rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou

plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange slips: 17:11 In

the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt

thou make thy seed to flourish: but the harvest shall be a heap in the

day of grief and of desperate sorrow.

17:12 Woe to the multitude of many people, which make a noise like the

noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations, that make a rushing

like the rushing of mighty waters! 17:13 The nations shall rush like

the rushing of many waters: but God shall rebuke them, and they shall

flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before

the wind, and like a rolling thing before the whirlwind.

17:14 And behold at eveningtide trouble; and before the morning he is

not.

This is the portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that

rob us.

18:1 Woe to the land shadowing with wings, which is beyond the rivers

of Ethiopia: 18:2 That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels

of bulrushes upon the waters, saying, Go, ye swift messengers, to a

nation scattered and peeled, to a people terrible from their beginning

hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden down, whose land the rivers

have spoiled! 18:3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on

the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and

when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.

18:4 For so the LORD said unto me, I will take my rest, and I will

consider in my dwelling place like a clear heat upon herbs, and like a

cloud of dew in the heat of harvest.

18:5 For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour

grape is ripening in the flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with

pruning hooks, and take away and cut down the branches.

18:6 They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and

to the beasts of the earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and

all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

18:7 In that time shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts

of a people scattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from

their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot,

whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the

LORD of hosts, the mount Zion.

19:1 The burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud,

and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at

his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

19:2 And I will set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they

shall fight every one against his brother, and every one against his

neighbour; city against city, and kingdom against kingdom.

19:3 And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I

will destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the idols,

and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to

the wizards.

19:4 And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord;

and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of

hosts.

19:5 And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be

wasted and dried up.

19:6 And they shall turn the rivers far away; and the brooks of

defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall

wither.

19:7 The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and

every thing sown by the brooks, shall wither, be driven away, and be

no more.

19:8 The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into

the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters

shall languish.

19:9 Moreover they that work in fine flax, and they that weave

networks, shall be confounded.

19:10 And they shall be broken in the purposes thereof, all that make

sluices and ponds for fish.

19:11 Surely the princes of Zoan are fools, the counsel of the wise

counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I

am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings? 19:12 Where are

they? where are thy wise men? and let them tell thee now, and let them

know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.

19:13 The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph are

deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, even they that are the stay of

the tribes thereof.

19:14 The LORD hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof:

and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken

man staggereth in his vomit.

19:15 Neither shall there be any work for Egypt, which the head or

tail, branch or rush, may do.

19:16 In that day shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be

afraid and fear because of the shaking of the hand of the LORD of

hosts, which he shaketh over it.

19:17 And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one

that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the

counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

19:18 In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the

language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be

called, The city of destruction.

19:19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of

the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.

19:20 And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of

hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the LORD because

of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one,

and he shall deliver them.

19:21 And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall

know the LORD in that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea,

they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and perform it.

19:22 And the LORD shall smite Egypt: he shall smite and heal it: and

they shall return even to the LORD, and he shall be intreated of them,

and shall heal them.

19:23 In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria,

and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria,

and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.

19:24 In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with

Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land: 19:25 Whom the LORD

of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed be Egypt my people, and Assyria

the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.

20:1 In the year that Tartan came unto Ashdod, (when Sargon the king

of Assyria sent him,) and fought against Ashdod, and took it; 20:2 At

the same time spake the LORD by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and

loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy

foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot.

20:3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked

and barefoot three years for a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon

Ethiopia; 20:4 So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians

prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and

barefoot, even with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt.

20:5 And they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their

expectation, and of Egypt their glory.

20:6 And the inhabitant of this isle shall say in that day, Behold,

such is our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from

the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape? 21:1 The burden of the

desert of the sea. As whirlwinds in the south pass through; so it

cometh from the desert, from a terrible land.

21:2 A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous dealer

dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam:

besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease.

21:3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold

upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at

the hearing of it; I was dismayed at the seeing of it.

21:4 My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the night of my

pleasure hath he turned into fear unto me.

21:5 Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye

princes, and anoint the shield.

21:6 For thus hath the LORD said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him

declare what he seeth.

21:7 And he saw a chariot with a couple of horsemen, a chariot of

asses, and a chariot of camels; and he hearkened diligently with much

heed: 21:8 And he cried, A lion: My lord, I stand continually upon the

watchtower in the daytime, and I am set in my ward whole nights: 21:9

And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, with a couple of horsemen.

And he answered and said, Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all the

graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground.

21:10 O my threshing, and the corn of my floor: that which I have

heard of the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have I declared unto

you.

21:11 The burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman,

what of the night? Watchman, what of the night? 21:12 The watchman

said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will enquire,

enquire ye: return, come.

21:13 The burden upon Arabia. In the forest in Arabia shall ye lodge,

O ye travelling companies of Dedanim.

21:14 The inhabitants of the land of Tema brought water to him that

was thirsty, they prevented with their bread him that fled.

21:15 For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from

the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war.

21:16 For thus hath the LORD said unto me, Within a year, according to

the years of an hireling, and all the glory of Kedar shall fail: 21:17

And the residue of the number of archers, the mighty men of the

children of Kedar, shall be diminished: for the LORD God of Israel

hath spoken it.

22:1 The burden of the valley of vision. What aileth thee now, that

thou art wholly gone up to the housetops? 22:2 Thou that art full of

stirs, a tumultuous city, joyous city: thy slain men are not slain

with the sword, nor dead in battle.

22:3 All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound by the archers:

all that are found in thee are bound together, which have fled from

far.

22:4 Therefore said I, Look away from me; I will weep bitterly, labour

not to comfort me, because of the spoiling of the daughter of my

people.

22:5 For it is a day of trouble, and of treading down, and of

perplexity by the Lord GOD of hosts in the valley of vision, breaking

down the walls, and of crying to the mountains.

22:6 And Elam bare the quiver with chariots of men and horsemen, and

Kir uncovered the shield.

22:7 And it shall come to pass, that thy choicest valleys shall be

full of chariots, and the horsemen shall set themselves in array at

the gate.

22:8 And he discovered the covering of Judah, and thou didst look in

that day to the armour of the house of the forest.

22:9 Ye have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they

are many: and ye gathered together the waters of the lower pool.

22:10 And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses

have ye broken down to fortify the wall.

22:11 Ye made also a ditch between the two walls for the water of the

old pool: but ye have not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had

respect unto him that fashioned it long ago.

22:12 And in that day did the Lord GOD of hosts call to weeping, and

to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth: 22:13 And

behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating

flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall

die.

22:14 And it was revealed in mine ears by the LORD of hosts, Surely

this iniquity shall not be purged from you till ye die, saith the Lord

GOD of hosts.

22:15 Thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, Go, get thee unto this

treasurer, even unto Shebna, which is over the house, and say, 22:16

What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed

thee out a sepulchre here, as he that heweth him out a sepulchre on

high, and that graveth an habitation for himself in a rock? 22:17

Behold, the LORD will carry thee away with a mighty captivity, and

will surely cover thee.

22:18 He will surely violently turn and toss thee like a ball into a

large country: there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy

glory shall be the shame of thy lord's house.

22:19 And I will drive thee from thy station, and from thy state shall

he pull thee down.

22:20 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will call my

servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah: 22:21 And I will clothe him with

thy robe, and strengthen him with thy girdle, and I will commit thy

government into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants

of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah.

22:22 And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder;

so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none

shall open.

22:23 And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place; and he shall be

for a glorious throne to his father's house.

22:24 And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's

house, the offspring and the issue, all vessels of small quantity,

from the vessels of cups, even to all the vessels of flagons.

22:25 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall the nail that is

fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down, and fall; and

the burden that was upon it shall be cut off: for the LORD hath spoken

it.

23:1 The burden of Tyre. Howl, ye ships of Tarshish; for it is laid

waste, so that there is no house, no entering in: from the land of

Chittim it is revealed to them.

23:2 Be still, ye inhabitants of the isle; thou whom the merchants of

Zidon, that pass over the sea, have replenished.

23:3 And by great waters the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the river,

is her revenue; and she is a mart of nations.

23:4 Be thou ashamed, O Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, even the

strength of the sea, saying, I travail not, nor bring forth children,

neither do I nourish up young men, nor bring up virgins.

23:5 As at the report concerning Egypt, so shall they be sorely pained

at the report of Tyre.

23:6 Pass ye over to Tarshish; howl, ye inhabitants of the isle.

23:7 Is this your joyous city, whose antiquity is of ancient days? her

own feet shall carry her afar off to sojourn.

23:8 Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, the crowning city,

whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers are the honourable of

the earth? 23:9 The LORD of hosts hath purposed it, to stain the

pride of all glory, and to bring into contempt all the honourable of

the earth.

23:10 Pass through thy land as a river, O daughter of Tarshish: there

is no more strength.

23:11 He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms:

the LORD hath given a commandment against the merchant city, to

destroy the strong holds thereof.

23:12 And he said, Thou shalt no more rejoice, O thou oppressed

virgin, daughter of Zidon: arise, pass over to Chittim; there also

shalt thou have no rest.

23:13 Behold the land of the Chaldeans; this people was not, till the

Assyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up

the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces thereof; and he brought

it to ruin.

23:14 Howl, ye ships of Tarshish: for your strength is laid waste.

23:15 And it shall come to pass in that day, that Tyre shall be

forgotten seventy years, according to the days of one king: after the

end of seventy years shall Tyre sing as an harlot.

23:16 Take an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been

forgotten; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that thou mayest be

remembered.

23:17 And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that

the LORD will visit Tyre, and she shall turn to her hire, and shall

commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the world upon the face of

the earth.

23:18 And her merchandise and her hire shall be holiness to the LORD:

it shall not be treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be

for them that dwell before the LORD, to eat sufficiently, and for

durable clothing.

24:1 Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and

turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

24:2 And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with

the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her

mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender,

so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of

usury to him.

24:3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the

LORD hath spoken this word.

24:4 The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and

fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish.

24:5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because

they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the

everlasting covenant.

24:6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell

therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are

burned, and few men left.

24:7 The new wine mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merryhearted

do sigh.

24:8 The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice

endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth.

24:9 They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be

bitter to them that drink it.

24:10 The city of confusion is broken down: every house is shut up,

that no man may come in.

24:11 There is a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened,

the mirth of the land is gone.

24:12 In the city is left desolation, and the gate is smitten with

destruction.

24:13 When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people,

there shall be as the shaking of an olive tree, and as the gleaning

grapes when the vintage is done.

24:14 They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty

of the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea.

24:15 Wherefore glorify ye the LORD in the fires, even the name of the

LORD God of Israel in the isles of the sea.

24:16 From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even

glory to the righteous. But I said, My leanness, my leanness, woe unto

me! the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the

treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.

24:17 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, O inhabitant of

the earth.

24:18 And it shall come to pass, that he who fleeth from the noise of

the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the

midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on

high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.

24:19 The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved,

the earth is moved exceedingly.

24:20 The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be

removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy

upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.

24:21 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall

punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of

the earth upon the earth.

24:22 And they shall be gathered together, as prisoners are gathered

in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days

shall they be visited.

24:23 Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the

LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before

his ancients gloriously.

25:1 O Lord, thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy

name; for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are

faithfulness and truth.

25:2 For thou hast made of a city an heap; of a defenced city a ruin:

a palace of strangers to be no city; it shall never be built.

25:3 Therefore shall the strong people glorify thee, the city of the

terrible nations shall fear thee.

25:4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the

needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the

heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the

wall.

25:5 Thou shalt bring down the noise of strangers, as the heat in a

dry place; even the heat with the shadow of a cloud: the branch of the

terrible ones shall be brought low.

25:6 And in this mountain shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people

a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things

full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.

25:7 And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering

cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.

25:8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe

away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he

take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken it.

25:9 And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this is our God; we have

waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited

for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

25:10 For in this mountain shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab

shall be trodden down under him, even as straw is trodden down for the

dunghill.

25:11 And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he

that swimmeth spreadeth forth his hands to swim: and he shall bring

down their pride together with the spoils of their hands.

25:12 And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring

down, lay low, and bring to the ground, even to the dust.

26:1 In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have

a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.

26:2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the

truth may enter in.

26:3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on

thee: because he trusteth in thee.

26:4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is

everlasting strength: 26:5 For he bringeth down them that dwell on

high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, even to the

ground; he bringeth it even to the dust.

26:6 The foot shall tread it down, even the feet of the poor, and the

steps of the needy.

26:7 The way of the just is uprightness: thou, most upright, dost

weigh the path of the just.

26:8 Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for

thee; the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of

thee.

26:9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my

spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in

the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

26:10 Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn

righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and

will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

26:11 LORD, when thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: but they

shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the people; yea, the fire

of thine enemies shall devour them.

26:12 LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought

all our works in us.

26:13 O LORD our God, other lords beside thee have had dominion over

us: but by thee only will we make mention of thy name.

26:14 They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they

shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and

made all their memory to perish.

26:15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, thou hast increased the

nation: thou art glorified: thou hadst removed it far unto all the

ends of the earth.

26:16 LORD, in trouble have they visited thee, they poured out a

prayer when thy chastening was upon them.

26:17 Like as a woman with child, that draweth near the time of her

delivery, is in pain, and crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in

thy sight, O LORD.

26:18 We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it

were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the

earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen.

26:19 Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they

arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the

dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

26:20 Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy

doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until

the indignation be overpast.

26:21 For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the

inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall

disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

27:1 In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword

shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that

crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.

27:2 In that day sing ye unto her, A vineyard of red wine.

27:3 I the LORD do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest any

hurt it, I will keep it night and day.

27:4 Fury is not in me: who would set the briers and thorns against me

in battle? I would go through them, I would burn them together.

27:5 Or let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with

me; and he shall make peace with me.

27:6 He shall cause them that come of Jacob to take root: Israel shall

blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit.

27:7 Hath he smitten him, as he smote those that smote him? or is he

slain according to the slaughter of them that are slain by him? 27:8

In measure, when it shooteth forth, thou wilt debate with it: he

stayeth his rough wind in the day of the east wind.

27:9 By this therefore shall the iniquity of Jacob be purged; and this

is all the fruit to take away his sin; when he maketh all the stones

of the altar as chalkstones that are beaten in sunder, the groves and

images shall not stand up.

27:10 Yet the defenced city shall be desolate, and the habitation

forsaken, and left like a wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and

there shall he lie down, and consume the branches thereof.

27:11 When the boughs thereof are withered, they shall be broken off:

the women come, and set them on fire: for it is a people of no

understanding: therefore he that made them will not have mercy on

them, and he that formed them will shew them no favour.

27:12 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall beat

off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye

shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.

27:13 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet

shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the

land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall

worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

28:1 Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose

glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat

valleys of them that are overcome with wine! 28:2 Behold, the Lord

hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a

destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast

down to the earth with the hand.

28:3 The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden

under feet: 28:4 And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the

fat valley, shall be a fading flower, and as the hasty fruit before

the summer; which when he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet

in his hand he eateth it up.

28:5 In that day shall the LORD of hosts be for a crown of glory, and

for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people, 28:6 And for a

spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength

to them that turn the battle to the gate.

28:7 But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink

are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through

strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way

through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment.

28:8 For all tables are full of vomit and filthiness, so that there is

no place clean.

28:9 Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to

understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn

from the breasts.

28:10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line

upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: 28:11

For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this

people.

28:12 To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the

weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

28:13 But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept,

precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little,

and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be

broken, and snared, and taken.

28:14 Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, ye scornful men, that rule

this people which is in Jerusalem.

28:15 Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and

with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass

through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge,

and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: 28:16 Therefore thus saith

the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried

stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth

shall not make haste.

28:17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the

plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the

waters shall overflow the hiding place.

28:18 And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your

agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge

shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it.

28:19 From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning

by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a

vexation only to understand the report.

28:20 For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on

it: and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it.

28:21 For the LORD shall rise up as in mount Perazim, he shall be

wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange

work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.

28:22 Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong:

for I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts a consumption, even

determined upon the whole earth.

28:23 Give ye ear, and hear my voice; hearken, and hear my speech.

28:24 Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the

clods of his ground? 28:25 When he hath made plain the face thereof,

doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast

in the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the rie in their

place? 28:26 For his God doth instruct him to discretion, and doth

teach him.

28:27 For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument,

neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin; but the fitches

are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin with a rod.

28:28 Bread corn is bruised; because he will not ever be threshing it,

nor break it with the wheel of his cart, nor bruise it with his

horsemen.

28:29 This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts, which is

wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working.

29:1 Woe to Ariel, to Ariel, the city where David dwelt! add ye year

to year; let them kill sacrifices.

29:2 Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and

sorrow: and it shall be unto me as Ariel.

29:3 And I will camp against thee round about, and will lay siege

against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

29:4 And thou shalt be brought down, and shalt speak out of the

ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice

shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ground,

and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.

29:5 Moreover the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust,

and the multitude of the terrible ones shall be as chaff that passeth

away: yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.

29:6 Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with

earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of

devouring fire.

29:7 And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel,

even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress

her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.

29:8 It shall even be as when an hungry man dreameth, and, behold, he

eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty

man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold,

he is faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all

the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

29:9 Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are

drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.

29:10 For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep,

and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers

hath he covered.

29:11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book

that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read

this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it is sealed: 29:12 And

the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I

pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned.

29:13 Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me

with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed

their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the

precept of men: 29:14 Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a

marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a

wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the

understanding of their prudent men shall be hid.

29:15 Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the

LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and

who knoweth us? 29:16 Surely your turning of things upside down shall

be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the work say of him that

made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say of him that

framed it, He had no understanding? 29:17 Is it not yet a very little

while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the

fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest? 29:18 And in that day

shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind

shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

29:19 The meek also shall increase their joy in the LORD, and the poor

among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

29:20 For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is

consumed, and all that watch for iniquity are cut off: 29:21 That make

a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth

in the gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought.

29:22 Therefore thus saith the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning

the house of Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his

face now wax pale.

29:23 But when he seeth his children, the work of mine hands, in the

midst of him, they shall sanctify my name, and sanctify the Holy One

of Jacob, and shall fear the God of Israel.

29:24 They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and

they that murmured shall learn doctrine.

30:1 Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take

counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my

spirit, that they may add sin to sin: 30:2 That walk to go down into

Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the

strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt! 30:3

Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust

in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.

30:4 For his princes were at Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes.

30:5 They were all ashamed of a people that could not profit them, nor

be an help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach.

30:6 The burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble

and anguish, from whence come the young and old lion, the viper and

fiery flying serpent, they will carry their riches upon the shoulders

of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, to a

people that shall not profit them.

30:7 For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose:

therefore have I cried concerning this, Their strength is to sit

still.

30:8 Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book,

that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: 30:9 That this

is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear

the law of the LORD: 30:10 Which say to the seers, See not; and to the

prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth

things, prophesy deceits: 30:11 Get you out of the way, turn aside out

of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.

30:12 Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, Because ye despise

this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon:

30:13 Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to

fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at

an instant.

30:14 And he shall break it as the breaking of the potters' vessel

that is broken in pieces; he shall not spare: so that there shall not

be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take fire from the hearth,

or to take water withal out of the pit.

30:15 For thus saith the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; In

returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence

shall be your strength: and ye would not.

30:16 But ye said, No; for we will flee upon horses; therefore shall

ye flee: and, We will ride upon the swift; therefore shall they that

pursue you be swift.

30:17 One thousand shall flee at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of

five shall ye flee: till ye be left as a beacon upon the top of a

mountain, and as an ensign on an hill.

30:18 And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto

you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon

you: for the LORD is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait

for him.

30:19 For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep

no more: he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry;

when he shall hear it, he will answer thee.

30:20 And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity, and the

water of affliction, yet shall not thy teachers be removed into a

corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers: 30:21 And

thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way,

walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the

left.

30:22 Ye shall defile also the covering of thy graven images of

silver, and the ornament of thy molten images of gold: thou shalt cast

them away as a menstruous cloth; thou shalt say unto it, Get thee

hence.

30:23 Then shall he give the rain of thy seed, that thou shalt sow the

ground withal; and bread of the increase of the earth, and it shall be

fat and plenteous: in that day shall thy cattle feed in large

pastures.

30:24 The oxen likewise and the young asses that ear the ground shall

eat clean provender, which hath been winnowed with the shovel and with

the fan.

30:25 And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high

hill, rivers and streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter,

when the towers fall.

30:26 Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun,

and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven

days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people,

and healeth the stroke of their wound.

30:27 Behold, the name of the LORD cometh from far, burning with his

anger, and the burden thereof is heavy: his lips are full of

indignation, and his tongue as a devouring fire: 30:28 And his breath,

as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to

sift the nations with the sieve of vanity: and there shall be a bridle

in the jaws of the people, causing them to err.

30:29 Ye shall have a song, as in the night when a holy solemnity is

kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come

into the mountain of the LORD, to the mighty One of Israel.

30:30 And the LORD shall cause his glorious voice to be heard, and

shall shew the lighting down of his arm, with the indignation of his

anger, and with the flame of a devouring fire, with scattering, and

tempest, and hailstones.

30:31 For through the voice of the LORD shall the Assyrian be beaten

down, which smote with a rod.

30:32 And in every place where the grounded staff shall pass, which

the LORD shall lay upon him, it shall be with tabrets and harps: and

in battles of shaking will he fight with it.

30:33 For Tophet is ordained of old; yea, for the king it is prepared;

he hath made it deep and large: the pile thereof is fire and much

wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, doth kindle

it.

31:1 Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses,

and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because

they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel,

neither seek the LORD! 31:2 Yet he also is wise, and will bring evil,

and will not call back his words: but will arise against the house of

the evildoers, and against the help of them that work iniquity.

31:3 Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses flesh,

and not spirit. When the LORD shall stretch out his hand, both he that

helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they

all shall fail together.

31:4 For thus hath the LORD spoken unto me, Like as the lion and the

young lion roaring on his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is

called forth against him, he will not be afraid of their voice, nor

abase himself for the noise of them: so shall the LORD of hosts come

down to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.

31:5 As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem;

defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve

it.

31:6 Turn ye unto him from whom the children of Israel have deeply

revolted.

31:7 For in that day every man shall cast away his idols of silver,

and his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you for a

sin.

31:8 Then shall the Assyrian fall with the sword, not of a mighty man;

and the sword, not of a mean man, shall devour him: but he shall flee

from the sword, and his young men shall be discomfited.

31:9 And he shall pass over to his strong hold for fear, and his

princes shall be afraid of the ensign, saith the LORD, whose fire is

in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.

32:1 Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall

rule in judgment.

32:2 And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert

from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of

a great rock in a weary land.

32:3 And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of

them that hear shall hearken.

32:4 The heart also of the rash shall understand knowledge, and the

tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak plainly.

32:5 The vile person shall be no more called liberal, nor the churl

said to be bountiful.

32:6 For the vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work

iniquity, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD,

to make empty the soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of

the thirsty to fail.

32:7 The instruments also of the churl are evil: he deviseth wicked

devices to destroy the poor with lying words, even when the needy

speaketh right.

32:8 But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things

shall he stand.

32:9 Rise up, ye women that are at ease; hear my voice, ye careless

daughters; give ear unto my speech.

32:10 Many days and years shall ye be troubled, ye careless women: for

the vintage shall fail, the gathering shall not come.

32:11 Tremble, ye women that are at ease; be troubled, ye careless

ones: strip you, and make you bare, and gird sackcloth upon your

loins.

32:12 They shall lament for the teats, for the pleasant fields, for

the fruitful vine.

32:13 Upon the land of my people shall come up thorns and briers; yea,

upon all the houses of joy in the joyous city: 32:14 Because the

palaces shall be forsaken; the multitude of the city shall be left;

the forts and towers shall be for dens for ever, a joy of wild asses,

a pasture of flocks; 32:15 Until the spirit be poured upon us from on

high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field

be counted for a forest.

32:16 Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness

remain in the fruitful field.

32:17 And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of

righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

32:18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure

dwellings, and in quiet resting places; 32:19 When it shall hail,

coming down on the forest; and the city shall be low in a low place.

32:20 Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth

thither the feet of the ox and the ass.

33:1 Woe to thee that spoilest, and thou wast not spoiled; and dealest

treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee! when thou

shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; and when thou shalt make

an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.

33:2 O LORD, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee: be thou

their arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.

33:3 At the noise of the tumult the people fled; at the lifting up of

thyself the nations were scattered.

33:4 And your spoil shall be gathered like the gathering of the

caterpiller: as the running to and fro of locusts shall he run upon

them.

33:5 The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion

with judgment and righteousness.

33:6 And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and

strength of salvation: the fear of the LORD is his treasure.

33:7 Behold, their valiant ones shall cry without: the ambassadors of

peace shall weep bitterly.

33:8 The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken

the covenant, he hath despised the cities, he regardeth no man.

33:9 The earth mourneth and languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed and hewn

down: Sharon is like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel shake off

their fruits.

33:10 Now will I rise, saith the LORD; now will I be exalted; now will

I lift up myself.

33:11 Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your

breath, as fire, shall devour you.

33:12 And the people shall be as the burnings of lime: as thorns cut

up shall they be burned in the fire.

33:13 Hear, ye that are far off, what I have done; and, ye that are

near, acknowledge my might.

33:14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the

hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who

among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings? 33:15 He that walketh

righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of

oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that

stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from

seeing evil; 33:16 He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall

be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall

be sure.

33:17 Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold

the land that is very far off.

33:18 Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where is the scribe? where is

the receiver? where is he that counted the towers? 33:19 Thou shalt

not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst

perceive; of a stammering tongue, that thou canst not understand.

33:20 Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall

see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken

down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither

shall any of the cords thereof be broken.

33:21 But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad

rivers and streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither

shall gallant ship pass thereby.

33:22 For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is

our king; he will save us.

33:23 Thy tacklings are loosed; they could not well strengthen their

mast, they could not spread the sail: then is the prey of a great

spoil divided; the lame take the prey.

33:24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that

dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.

34:1 Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: let the

earth hear, and all that is therein; the world, and all things that

come forth of it.

34:2 For the indignation of the LORD is upon all nations, and his fury

upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath

delivered them to the slaughter.

34:3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up

out of their carcases, and the mountains shall be melted with their

blood.

34:4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens

shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall

down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from

the fig tree.

34:5 For my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold, it shall come

down upon Idumea, and upon the people of my curse, to judgment.

34:6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with

fatness, and with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the

kidneys of rams: for the LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great

slaughter in the land of Idumea.

34:7 And the unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with

the bulls; and their land shall be soaked with blood, and their dust

made fat with fatness.

34:8 For it is the day of the LORD's vengeance, and the year of

recompences for the controversy of Zion.

34:9 And the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust

thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning

pitch.

34:10 It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall

go up for ever: from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none

shall pass through it for ever and ever.

34:11 But the cormorant and the bittern shall possess it; the owl also

and the raven shall dwell in it: and he shall stretch out upon it the

line of confusion, and the stones of emptiness.

34:12 They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none

shall be there, and all her princes shall be nothing.

34:13 And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in

the fortresses thereof: and it shall be an habitation of dragons, and

a court for owls.

34:14 The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild

beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; the

screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of

rest.

34:15 There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and

gather under her shadow: there shall the vultures also be gathered,

every one with her mate.

34:16 Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read: no one of these

shall fail, none shall want her mate: for my mouth it hath commanded,

and his spirit it hath gathered them.

34:17 And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath divided it

unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to

generation shall they dwell therein.

35:1 The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and

the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

35:2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and

singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency

of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the

excellency of our God.

35:3 Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.

35:4 Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not:

behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence;

he will come and save you.

35:5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the

deaf shall be unstopped.

35:6 Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the

dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams

in the desert.

35:7 And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land

springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall

be grass with reeds and rushes.

35:8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called

The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall

be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

35:9 No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up

thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk

there: 35:10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to

Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall

obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

36:1 Now it came to pass in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, that

Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the defenced cities of

Judah, and took them.

36:2 And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem

unto king Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of

the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field.

36:3 Then came forth unto him Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, which was over

the house, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

36:4 And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith

the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this wherein

thou trustest? 36:5 I say, sayest thou, (but they are but vain words)

I have counsel and strength for war: now on whom dost thou trust, that

thou rebellest against me? 36:6 Lo, thou trustest in the staff of

this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a man lean, it will go into his

hand, and pierce it: so is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in

him.

36:7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD our God: is it not

he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and

said to Judah and to Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar?

36:8 Now therefore give pledges, I pray thee, to my master the king of

Assyria, and I will give thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on

thy part to set riders upon them.

36:9 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least

of my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and

for horsemen? 36:10 And am I now come up without the LORD against

this land to destroy it? the LORD said unto me, Go up against this

land, and destroy it.

36:11 Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I

pray thee, unto thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand

it: and speak not to us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the

people that are on the wall.

36:12 But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master and to

thee to speak these words? hath he not sent me to the men that sit

upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own

piss with you? 36:13 Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud

voice in the Jews' language, and said, Hear ye the words of the great

king, the king of Assyria.

36:14 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall

not be able to deliver you.

36:15 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The

LORD will surely deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the

hand of the king of Assyria.

36:16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria,

Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me: and eat ye

every one of his vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye

every one the waters of his own cistern; 36:17 Until I come and take

you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a land

of bread and vineyards.

36:18 Beware lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, the LORD will deliver

us.

Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand

of the king of Assyria? 36:19 Where are the gods of Hamath and

Arphad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim? and have they delivered

Samaria out of my hand? 36:20 Who are they among all the gods of

these lands, that have delivered their land out of my hand, that the

LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand? 36:21 But they held

their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment

was, saying, Answer him not.

36:22 Then came Eliakim, the son of Hilkiah, that was over the

household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the

recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent, and told him the words

of Rabshakeh.

37:1 And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent

his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the

house of the LORD.

37:2 And he sent Eliakim, who was over the household, and Shebna the

scribe, and the elders of the priests covered with sackcloth, unto

Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

37:3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day of

trouble, and of rebuke, and of blasphemy: for the children are come to

the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

37:4 It may be the LORD thy God will hear the words of Rabshakeh, whom

the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God,

and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard:

wherefore lift up thy prayer for the remnant that is left.

37:5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

37:6 And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say unto your master,

Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words that thou hast heard,

wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

37:7 Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour,

and return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword

in his own land.

37:8 So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring

against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.

37:9 And he heard say concerning Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, He is come

forth to make war with thee. And when he heard it, he sent messengers

to Hezekiah, saying, 37:10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of

Judah, saying, Let not thy God, in whom thou trustest, deceive thee,

saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of

Assyria.

37:11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to

all lands by destroying them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?

37:12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers

have destroyed, as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of

Eden which were in Telassar? 37:13 Where is the king of Hamath, and

the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and

Ivah? 37:14 And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the

messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up unto the house of the

LORD, and spread it before the LORD.

37:15 And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying, 37:16 O LORD of

hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest between the cherubims, thou art

the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast

made heaven and earth.

37:17 Incline thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open thine eyes, O LORD,

and see: and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to

reproach the living God.

37:18 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the

nations, and their countries, 37:19 And have cast their gods into the

fire: for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and

stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

37:20 Now therefore, O LORD our God, save us from his hand, that all

the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the LORD, even thou

only.

37:21 Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus

saith the LORD God of Israel, Whereas thou hast prayed to me against

Sennacherib king of Assyria: 37:22 This is the word which the LORD

hath spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath

despised thee, and laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem

hath shaken her head at thee.

37:23 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast

thou exalted thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? even against

the Holy One of Israel.

37:24 By thy servants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By

the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the

mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down the tall

cedars thereof, and the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter

into the height of his border, and the forest of his Carmel.

37:25 I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet

have I dried up all the rivers of the besieged places.

37:26 Hast thou not heard long ago, how I have done it; and of ancient

times, that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou

shouldest be to lay waste defenced cities into ruinous heaps.

37:27 Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were

dismayed and confounded: they were as the grass of the field, and as

the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, and as corn blasted

before it be grown up.

37:28 But I know thy abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and

thy rage against me.

37:29 Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult, is come up into

mine ears, therefore will I put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in

thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.

37:30 And this shall be a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat this year such

as groweth of itself; and the second year that which springeth of the

same: and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and

eat the fruit thereof.

37:31 And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall

again take root downward, and bear fruit upward: 37:32 For out of

Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount

Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.

37:33 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He

shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come

before it with shields, nor cast a bank against it.

37:34 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall

not come into this city, saith the LORD.

37:35 For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake, and

for my servant David's sake.

37:36 Then the angel of the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of

the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when they

arose early in the morning, behold, they were all dead corpses.

37:37 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned,

and dwelt at Nineveh.

37:38 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of

Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with

the sword; and they escaped into the land of Armenia: and Esarhaddon

his son reigned in his stead.

38:1 In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the

prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith

the LORD, Set thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live.

38:2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto

the LORD, 38:3 And said, Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I

have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have

done that which is good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore.

38:4 Then came the word of the LORD to Isaiah, saying, 38:5 Go, and

say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I

have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto

thy days fifteen years.

38:6 And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king

of Assyria: and I will defend this city.

38:7 And this shall be a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD

will do this thing that he hath spoken; 38:8 Behold, I will bring

again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial of

Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which

degrees it was gone down.

38:9 The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and

was recovered of his sickness: 38:10 I said in the cutting off of my

days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of the

residue of my years.

38:11 I said, I shall not see the LORD, even the LORD, in the land of

the living: I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants of the

world.

38:12 Mine age is departed, and is removed from me as a shepherd's

tent: I have cut off like a weaver my life: he will cut me off with

pining sickness: from day even to night wilt thou make an end of me.

38:13 I reckoned till morning, that, as a lion, so will he break all

my bones: from day even to night wilt thou make an end of me.

38:14 Like a crane or a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourn as a

dove: mine eyes fail with looking upward: O LORD, I am oppressed;

undertake for me.

38:15 What shall I say? he hath both spoken unto me, and himself hath

done it: I shall go softly all my years in the bitterness of my soul.

38:16 O LORD, by these things men live, and in all these things is the

life of my spirit: so wilt thou recover me, and make me to live.

38:17 Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love

to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast

all my sins behind thy back.

38:18 For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee:

they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.

38:19 The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day:

the father to the children shall make known thy truth.

38:20 The LORD was ready to save me: therefore we will sing my songs

to the stringed instruments all the days of our life in the house of

the LORD.

38:21 For Isaiah had said, Let them take a lump of figs, and lay it

for a plaister upon the boil, and he shall recover.

38:22 Hezekiah also had said, What is the sign that I shall go up to

the house of the LORD? 39:1 At that time Merodachbaladan, the son of

Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah: for

he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.

39:2 And Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of his

precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the

precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that was

found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his

dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

39:3 Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto

him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And

Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country unto me, even from

Babylon.

39:4 Then said he, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah

answered, All that is in mine house have they seen: there is nothing

among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

39:5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD of hosts:

39:6 Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, and that

which thy fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be

carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.

39:7 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt

beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace

of the king of Babylon.

39:8 Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah, Good is the word of the LORD which

thou hast spoken. He said moreover, For there shall be peace and truth

in my days.

40:1 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

40:2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her

warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath

received of the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

40:3 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the

way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

40:4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall

be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough

places plain: 40:5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and

all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken

it.

40:6 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is

grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field:

40:7 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the

LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass.

40:8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God

shall stand for ever.

40:9 O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high

mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice

with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of

Judah, Behold your God! 40:10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come with

strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is

with him, and his work before him.

40:11 He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the

lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead

those that are with young.

40:12 Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and

meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth

in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a

balance? 40:13 Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or being his

counsellor hath taught him? 40:14 With whom took he counsel, and who

instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him

knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding? 40:15 Behold,

the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small

dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little

thing.

40:16 And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof

sufficient for a burnt offering.

40:17 All nations before him are as nothing; and they are counted to

him less than nothing, and vanity.

40:18 To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare

unto him? 40:19 The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith

spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains.

40:20 He that is so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a

tree that will not rot; he seeketh unto him a cunning workman to

prepare a graven image, that shall not be moved.

40:21 Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you

from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the

earth? 40:22 It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and

the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the

heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

40:23 That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of

the earth as vanity.

40:24 Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown:

yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also

blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take

them away as stubble.

40:25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the

Holy One.

40:26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these

things, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by

names by the greatness of his might, for that he is strong in power;

not one faileth.

40:27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid

from the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my God? 40:28 Hast

thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the

LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is

weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

40:29 He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he

increaseth strength.

40:30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men

shall utterly fall: 40:31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew

their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall

run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

41:1 Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew their

strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near

together to judgment.

41:2 Who raised up the righteous man from the east, called him to his

foot, gave the nations before him, and made him rule over kings? he

gave them as the dust to his sword, and as driven stubble to his bow.

41:3 He pursued them, and passed safely; even by the way that he had

not gone with his feet.

41:4 Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the

beginning? I the LORD, the first, and with the last; I am he.

41:5 The isles saw it, and feared; the ends of the earth were afraid,

drew near, and came.

41:6 They helped every one his neighbour; and every one said to his

brother, Be of good courage.

41:7 So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheth

with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It is ready for the

sodering: and he fastened it with nails, that it should not be moved.

41:8 But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the

seed of Abraham my friend.

41:9 Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called

thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my

servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.

41:10 Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy

God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold

thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

41:11 Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be

ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive

with thee shall perish.

41:12 Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that

contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing,

and as a thing of nought.

41:13 For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto

thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

41:14 Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help

thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

41:15 Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having

teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt

make the hills as chaff.

41:16 Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the

whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, and

shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

41:17 When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their

tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of

Israel will not forsake them.

41:18 I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of

the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry

land springs of water.

41:19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and

the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree,

and the pine, and the box tree together: 41:20 That they may see, and

know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD

hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.

41:21 Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong

reasons, saith the King of Jacob.

41:22 Let them bring them forth, and shew us what shall happen: let

them shew the former things, what they be, that we may consider them,

and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come.

41:23 Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know

that ye are gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed,

and behold it together.

41:24 Behold, ye are of nothing, and your work of nought: an

abomination is he that chooseth you.

41:25 I have raised up one from the north, and he shall come: from the

rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon

princes as upon morter, and as the potter treadeth clay.

41:26 Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and

beforetime, that we may say, He is righteous? yea, there is none that

sheweth, yea, there is none that declareth, yea, there is none that

heareth your words.

41:27 The first shall say to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will

give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.

41:28 For I beheld, and there was no man; even among them, and there

was no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could answer a word.

41:29 Behold, they are all vanity; their works are nothing: their

molten images are wind and confusion.

42:1 Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul

delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth

judgment to the Gentiles.

42:2 He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in

the street.

42:3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he

not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth.

42:4 He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment

in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law.

42:5 Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and

stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which

cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and

spirit to them that walk therein: 42:6 I the LORD have called thee in

righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give

thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; 42:7

To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison,

and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

42:8 I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to

another, neither my praise to graven images.

42:9 Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I

declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

42:10 Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise from the end of

the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the

isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

42:11 Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice,

the villages that Kedar doth inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock

sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

42:12 Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the

islands.

42:13 The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up

jealousy like a man of war: he shall cry, yea, roar; he shall prevail

against his enemies.

42:14 I have long time holden my peace; I have been still, and

refrained myself: now will I cry like a travailing woman; I will

destroy and devour at once.

42:15 I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their

herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and I will dry up the

pools.

42:16 And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will

lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness

light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do

unto them, and not forsake them.

42:17 They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that

trust in graven images, that say to the molten images, Ye are our

gods.

42:18 Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.

42:19 Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that I

sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the LORD's

servant? 42:20 Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening

the ears, but he heareth not.

42:21 The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will

magnify the law, and make it honourable.

42:22 But this is a people robbed and spoiled; they are all of them

snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a

prey, and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none saith, Restore.

42:23 Who among you will give ear to this? who will hearken and hear

for the time to come? 42:24 Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to

the robbers? did not the LORD, he against whom we have sinned? for

they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient unto his

law.

42:25 Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his anger, and the

strength of battle: and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he

knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid it not to heart.

43:1 But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he

that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have

called thee by thy name; thou art mine.

43:2 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and

through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest

through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame

kindle upon thee.

43:3 For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I

gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.

43:4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable,

and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people

for thy life.

43:5 Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the

east, and gather thee from the west; 43:6 I will say to the north,

Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and

my daughters from the ends of the earth; 43:7 Even every one that is

called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed

him; yea, I have made him.

43:8 Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that

have ears.

43:9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be

assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things?

let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or

let them hear, and say, It is truth.

43:10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have

chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he:

before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

43:11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

43:12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there

was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the

LORD, that I am God.

43:13 Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can

deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it? 43:14 Thus

saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; For your sake I

have sent to Babylon, and have brought down all their nobles, and the

Chaldeans, whose cry is in the ships.

43:15 I am the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.

43:16 Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path

in the mighty waters; 43:17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and

horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they

shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.

43:18 Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things

of old.

43:19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall

ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers

in the desert.

43:20 The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the

owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the

desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.

43:21 This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my

praise.

43:22 But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been

weary of me, O Israel.

43:23 Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of thy burnt

offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have

not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with

incense.

43:24 Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou

filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to

serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities.

43:25 I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine

own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

43:26 Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that

thou mayest be justified.

43:27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed

against me.

43:28 Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have

given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

44:1 Yet now hear, O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen:

44:2 Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the

womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou,

Jesurun, whom I have chosen.

44:3 For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon

the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing

upon thine offspring: 44:4 And they shall spring up as among the

grass, as willows by the water courses.

44:5 One shall say, I am the LORD's; and another shall call himself by

the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the

LORD, and surname himself by the name of Israel.

44:6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD

of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no

God.

44:7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in

order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things

that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them.

44:8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that

time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God

beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.

44:9 They that make a graven image are all of them vanity; and their

delectable things shall not profit; and they are their own witnesses;

they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed.

44:10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image that is

profitable for nothing? 44:11 Behold, all his fellows shall be

ashamed: and the workmen, they are of men: let them all be gathered

together, let them stand up; yet they shall fear, and they shall be

ashamed together.

44:12 The smith with the tongs both worketh in the coals, and

fashioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his

arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no

water, and is faint.

44:13 The carpenter stretcheth out his rule; he marketh it out with a

line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the

compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the

beauty of a man; that it may remain in the house.

44:14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak,

which he strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he

planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish it.

44:15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof,

and warm himself; yea, he kindleth it, and baketh bread; yea, he

maketh a god, and worshippeth it; he maketh it a graven image, and

falleth down thereto.

44:16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth

flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth himself,

and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire: 44:17 And the residue

thereof he maketh a god, even his graven image: he falleth down unto

it, and worshippeth it, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me;

for thou art my god.

44:18 They have not known nor understood: for he hath shut their eyes,

that they cannot see; and their hearts, that they cannot understand.

44:19 And none considereth in his heart, neither is there knowledge

nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea,

also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh,

and eaten it: and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination?

shall I fall down to the stock of a tree? 44:20 He feedeth on ashes:

a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he cannot deliver his

soul, nor say, Is there not a lie in my right hand? 44:21 Remember

these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou art my servant: I have formed

thee; thou art my servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of

me.

44:22 I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and,

as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.

44:23 Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done it: shout, ye lower

parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest,

and every tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and

glorified himself in Israel.

44:24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from

the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth

the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself; 44:25

That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad;

that turneth wise men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish;

44:26 That confirmeth the word of his servant, and performeth the

counsel of his messengers; that saith to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be

inhabited; and to the cities of Judah, Ye shall be built, and I will

raise up the decayed places thereof: 44:27 That saith to the deep, Be

dry, and I will dry up thy rivers: 44:28 That saith of Cyrus, He is my

shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem,

Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.

45:1 Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I

have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins

of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall

not be shut; 45:2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places

straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder

the bars of iron: 45:3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness,

and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the

LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel.

45:4 For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even

called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not

known me.

45:5 I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me:

I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: 45:6 That they may know

from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none

beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

45:7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create

evil: I the LORD do all these things.

45:8 Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down

righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation,

and let righteousness spring up together; I the LORD have created it.

45:9 Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd

strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that

fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands? 45:10

Woe unto him that saith unto his father, What begettest thou? or to

the woman, What hast thou brought forth? 45:11 Thus saith the LORD,

the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come

concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

45:12 I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my

hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I

commanded.

45:13 I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his

ways: he shall build my city, and he shall let go my captives, not for

price nor reward, saith the LORD of hosts.

45:14 Thus saith the LORD, The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of

Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto

thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains

they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall

make supplication unto thee, saying, Surely God is in thee; and there

is none else, there is no God.

45:15 Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the

Saviour.

45:16 They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they

shall go to confusion together that are makers of idols.

45:17 But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting

salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

45:18 For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself

that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created

it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there

is none else.

45:19 I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I

said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak

righteousness, I declare things that are right.

45:20 Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are

escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of

their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save.

45:21 Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel

together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it

from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside

me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

45:22 Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I

am God, and there is none else.

45:23 I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in

righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall

bow, every tongue shall swear.

45:24 Surely, shall one say, in the LORD have I righteousness and

strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed

against him shall be ashamed.

45:25 In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall

glory.

46:1 Bel boweth down, Nebo stoopeth, their idols were upon the beasts,

and upon the cattle: your carriages were heavy loaden; they are a

burden to the weary beast.

46:2 They stoop, they bow down together; they could not deliver the

burden, but themselves are gone into captivity.

46:3 Hearken unto me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the

house of Israel, which are borne by me from the belly, which are

carried from the womb: 46:4 And even to your old age I am he; and even

to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even I

will carry, and will deliver you.

46:5 To whom will ye liken me, and make me equal, and compare me, that

we may be like? 46:6 They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh

silver in the balance, and hire a goldsmith; and he maketh it a god:

they fall down, yea, they worship.

46:7 They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in

his place, and he standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea,

one shall cry unto him, yet can he not answer, nor save him out of his

trouble.

46:8 Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring it again to mind, O

ye transgressors.

46:9 Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is

none else; I am God, and there is none like me, 46:10 Declaring the

end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not

yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my

pleasure: 46:11 Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that

executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will

also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.

46:12 Hearken unto me, ye stouthearted, that are far from

righteousness: 46:13 I bring near my righteousness; it shall not be

far off, and my salvation shall not tarry: and I will place salvation

in Zion for Israel my glory.

47:1 Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit

on the ground: there is no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for

thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate.

47:2 Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare

the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers.

47:3 Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen: I

will take vengeance, and I will not meet thee as a man.

47:4 As for our redeemer, the LORD of hosts is his name, the Holy One

of Israel.

47:5 Sit thou silent, and get thee into darkness, O daughter of the

Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called, The lady of kingdoms.

47:6 I was wroth with my people, I have polluted mine inheritance, and

given them into thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy; upon the

ancient hast thou very heavily laid thy yoke.

47:7 And thou saidst, I shall be a lady for ever: so that thou didst

not lay these things to thy heart, neither didst remember the latter

end of it.

47:8 Therefore hear now this, thou that art given to pleasures, that

dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, I am, and none else

beside me; I shall not sit as a widow, neither shall I know the loss

of children: 47:9 But these two things shall come to thee in a moment

in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon

thee in their perfection for the multitude of thy sorceries, and for

the great abundance of thine enchantments.

47:10 For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None

seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and

thou hast said in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me.

47:11 Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from

whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be

able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly,

which thou shalt not know.

47:12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy

sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou

shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail.

47:13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the

astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up,

and save thee from these things that shall come upon thee.

47:14 Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they

shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall

not be a coal to warm at, nor fire to sit before it.

47:15 Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, even

thy merchants, from thy youth: they shall wander every one to his

quarter; none shall save thee.

48:1 Hear ye this, O house of Jacob, which are called by the name of

Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah, which swear by

the name of the LORD, and make mention of the God of Israel, but not

in truth, nor in righteousness.

48:2 For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves

upon the God of Israel; The LORD of hosts is his name.

48:3 I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they

went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did them suddenly,

and they came to pass.

48:4 Because I knew that thou art obstinate, and thy neck is an iron

sinew, and thy brow brass; 48:5 I have even from the beginning

declared it to thee; before it came to pass I shewed it thee: lest

thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and

my molten image, hath commanded them.

48:6 Thou hast heard, see all this; and will not ye declare it? I have

shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden things, and thou

didst not know them.

48:7 They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the

day when thou heardest them not; lest thou shouldest say, Behold, I

knew them.

48:8 Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that

time that thine ear was not opened: for I knew that thou wouldest deal

very treacherously, and wast called a transgressor from the womb.

48:9 For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise

will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.

48:10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver; I have chosen

thee in the furnace of affliction.

48:11 For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it: for how

should my name be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.

48:12 Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am

the first, I also am the last.

48:13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my

right hand hath spanned the heavens: when I call unto them, they stand

up together.

48:14 All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath

declared these things? The LORD hath loved him: he will do his

pleasure on Babylon, and his arm shall be on the Chaldeans.

48:15 I, even I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought

him, and he shall make his way prosperous.

48:16 Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret

from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the

Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.

48:17 Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am

the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by

the way that thou shouldest go.

48:18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy

peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:

48:19 Thy seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy

bowels like the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off

nor destroyed from before me.

48:20 Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice

of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it even to the end of the

earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant Jacob.

48:21 And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts: he

caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them: he clave the rock

also, and the waters gushed out.

48:22 There is no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.

49:1 Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The

LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath

he made mention of my name.

49:2 And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of

his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver

hath he hid me; 49:3 And said unto me, Thou art my servant, O Israel,

in whom I will be glorified.

49:4 Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength

for nought, and in vain: yet surely my judgment is with the LORD, and

my work with my God.

49:5 And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb to be his

servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered,

yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be

my strength.

49:6 And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my

servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved

of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that

thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

49:7 Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, and his Holy One, to

him whom man despiseth, to him whom the nation abhorreth, to a servant

of rulers, Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship,

because of the LORD that is faithful, and the Holy One of Israel, and

he shall choose thee.

49:8 Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and

in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee,

and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to

cause to inherit the desolate heritages; 49:9 That thou mayest say to

the prisoners, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Shew

yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be

in all high places.

49:10 They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun

smite them: for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by

the springs of water shall he guide them.

49:11 And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be

exalted.

49:12 Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north

and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim.

49:13 Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into

singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will

have mercy upon his afflicted.

49:14 But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath

forgotten me.

49:15 Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have

compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I

not forget thee.

49:16 Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands; thy walls

are continually before me.

49:17 Thy children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made

thee waste shall go forth of thee.

49:18 Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather

themselves together, and come to thee. As I live, saith the LORD, thou

shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind

them on thee, as a bride doeth.

49:19 For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy

destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the

inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away.

49:20 The children which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the

other, shall say again in thine ears, The place is too strait for me:

give place to me that I may dwell.

49:21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these,

seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and

removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left

alone; these, where had they been? 49:22 Thus saith the Lord GOD,

Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my

standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms,

and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders.

49:23 And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy

nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward

the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that

I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.

49:24 Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive

delivered? 49:25 But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the

mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be

delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and

I will save thy children.

49:26 And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and

they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with sweet wine: and

all flesh shall know that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer,

the mighty One of Jacob.

50:1 Thus saith the LORD, Where is the bill of your mother's

divorcement, whom I have put away? or which of my creditors is it to

whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities have ye sold

yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put away.

50:2 Wherefore, when I came, was there no man? when I called, was

there none to answer? Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot

redeem? or have I no power to deliver? behold, at my rebuke I dry up

the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because

there is no water, and dieth for thirst.

50:3 I clothe the heavens with blackness, and I make sackcloth their

covering.

50:4 The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I

should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he

wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the

learned.

50:5 The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious,

neither turned away back.

50:6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked

off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

50:7 For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be

confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that

I shall not be ashamed.

50:8 He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us

stand together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me.

50:9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who is he that shall condemn

me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them

up.

50:10 Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice

of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him

trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.

50:11 Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about

with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye

have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down in

sorrow.

51:1 Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek

the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of

the pit whence ye are digged.

51:2 Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for

I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.

51:3 For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste

places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like

the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein,

thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

51:4 Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation:

for a law shall proceed from me, and I will make my judgment to rest

for a light of the people.

51:5 My righteousness is near; my salvation is gone forth, and mine

arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon me, and on mine

arm shall they trust.

51:6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth

beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth

shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in

like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness

shall not be abolished.

51:7 Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose

heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid

of their revilings.

51:8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall

eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my

salvation from generation to generation.

51:9 Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in

the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath

cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon? 51:10 Art thou not it which hath

dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths

of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over? 51:11 Therefore the

redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion;

and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain

gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

51:12 I, even I, am he that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou

shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man

which shall be made as grass; 51:13 And forgettest the LORD thy maker,

that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the

earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of

the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury

of the oppressor? 51:14 The captive exile hasteneth that he may be

loosed, and that he should not die in the pit, nor that his bread

should fail.

51:15 But I am the LORD thy God, that divided the sea, whose waves

roared: The LORD of hosts is his name.

51:16 And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in

the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the

foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou art my people.

51:17 Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the

hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of

the cup of trembling, and wrung them out.

51:18 There is none to guide her among all the sons whom she hath

brought forth; neither is there any that taketh her by the hand of all

the sons that she hath brought up.

51:19 These two things are come unto thee; who shall be sorry for

thee? desolation, and destruction, and the famine, and the sword: by

whom shall I comfort thee? 51:20 Thy sons have fainted, they lie at

the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net: they are full of

the fury of the LORD, the rebuke of thy God.

51:21 Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not

with wine: 51:22 Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God that

pleadeth the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken out of thine

hand the cup of trembling, even the dregs of the cup of my fury; thou

shalt no more drink it again: 51:23 But I will put it into the hand of

them that afflict thee; which have said to thy soul, Bow down, that we

may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the

street, to them that went over.

52:1 Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful

garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no

more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

52:2 Shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem:

loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

52:3 For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and

ye shall be redeemed without money.

52:4 For thus saith the Lord GOD, My people went down aforetime into

Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.

52:5 Now therefore, what have I here, saith the LORD, that my people

is taken away for nought? they that rule over them make them to howl,

saith the LORD; and my name continually every day is blasphemed.

52:6 Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore they shall know

in that day that I am he that doth speak: behold, it is I.

52:7 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that

bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good

tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy

God reigneth! 52:8 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the

voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when

the LORD shall bring again Zion.

52:9 Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of

Jerusalem: for the LORD hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed

Jerusalem.

52:10 The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the

nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our

God.

52:11 Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean

thing; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the

vessels of the LORD.

52:12 For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for the

LORD will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your rereward.

52:13 Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and

extolled, and be very high.

52:14 As many were astonied at thee; his visage was so marred more

than any man, and his form more than the sons of men: 52:15 So shall

he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him:

for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which

they had not heard shall they consider.

53:1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD

revealed? 53:2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and

as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and

when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and

acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he

was despised, and we esteemed him not.

53:4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we

did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our

iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his

stripes we are healed.

53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to

his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

53:7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his

mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before

her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

53:8 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare

his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for

the transgression of my people was he stricken.

53:9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his

death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his

mouth.

53:10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief:

when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his

seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall

prosper in his hand.

53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied:

by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall

bear their iniquities.

53:12 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he

shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his

soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he

bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

54:1 Sing, O barren, thou that didst not bear; break forth into

singing, and cry aloud, thou that didst not travail with child: for

more are the children of the desolate than the children of the married

wife, saith the LORD.

54:2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the

curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and

strengthen thy stakes; 54:3 For thou shalt break forth on the right

hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and

make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

54:4 Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou

confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget

the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy

widowhood any more.

54:5 For thy Maker is thine husband; the LORD of hosts is his name;

and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth

shall he be called.

54:6 For the LORD hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in

spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

54:7 For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies

will I gather thee.

54:8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with

everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy

Redeemer.

54:9 For this is as the waters of Noah unto me: for as I have sworn

that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I

sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.

54:10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my

kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my

peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

54:11 O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted,

behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy

foundations with sapphires.

54:12 And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of

carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.

54:13 And all thy children shall be taught of the LORD; and great

shall be the peace of thy children.

54:14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far

from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it

shall not come near thee.

54:15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me:

whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

54:16 Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the

fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have

created the waster to destroy.

54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every

tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn.

This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their

righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

55:1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that

hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk

without money and without price.

55:2 Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your

labour for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and

eat ye that which is good, and let your soul delight itself in

fatness.

55:3 Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall

live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure

mercies of David.

55:4 Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader

and commander to the people.

55:5 Behold, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and

nations that knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy

God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee.

55:6 Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he

is near: 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man

his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy

upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

55:8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my

ways, saith the LORD.

55:9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways

higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

55:10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and

returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring

forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the

eater: 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it

shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I

please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

55:12 For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the

mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and

all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

55:13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of

the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD

for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

56:1 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my

salvation is near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.

56:2 Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that

layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and

keepeth his hand from doing any evil.

56:3 Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to

the LORD, speak, saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from his

people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree.

56:4 For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths,

and choose the things that please me, and take hold of my covenant;

56:5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a

place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give

them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

56:6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD,

to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants,

every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold

of my covenant; 56:7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and

make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and

their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house

shall be called an house of prayer for all people.

56:8 The Lord GOD, which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet

will I gather others to him, beside those that are gathered unto him.

56:9 All ye beasts of the field, come to devour, yea, all ye beasts in

the forest.

56:10 His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb

dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.

56:11 Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they

are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way,

every one for his gain, from his quarter.

56:12 Come ye, say they, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves

with strong drink; and to morrow shall be as this day, and much more

abundant.

57:1 The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and

merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is

taken away from the evil to come.

57:2 He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, each

one walking in his uprightness.

57:3 But draw near hither, ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the

adulterer and the whore.

57:4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide

mouth, and draw out the tongue? are ye not children of transgression,

a seed of falsehood.

57:5 Enflaming yourselves with idols under every green tree, slaying

the children in the valleys under the clifts of the rocks? 57:6 Among

the smooth stones of the stream is thy portion; they, they are thy

lot: even to them hast thou poured a drink offering, thou hast offered

a meat offering. Should I receive comfort in these? 57:7 Upon a lofty

and high mountain hast thou set thy bed: even thither wentest thou up

to offer sacrifice.

57:8 Behind the doors also and the posts hast thou set up thy

remembrance: for thou hast discovered thyself to another than me, and

art gone up; thou hast enlarged thy bed, and made thee a covenant with

them; thou lovedst their bed where thou sawest it.

57:9 And thou wentest to the king with ointment, and didst increase

thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers far off, and didst debase

thyself even unto hell.

57:10 Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; yet saidst thou

not, There is no hope: thou hast found the life of thine hand;

therefore thou wast not grieved.

57:11 And of whom hast thou been afraid or feared, that thou hast

lied, and hast not remembered me, nor laid it to thy heart? have not I

held my peace even of old, and thou fearest me not? 57:12 I will

declare thy righteousness, and thy works; for they shall not profit

thee.

57:13 When thou criest, let thy companies deliver thee; but the wind

shall carry them all away; vanity shall take them: but he that putteth

his trust in me shall possess the land, and shall inherit my holy

mountain; 57:14 And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the

way, take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.

57:15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity,

whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also

that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the

humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

57:16 For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth:

for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls which I have made.

57:17 For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him:

I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his

heart.

57:18 I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also,

and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners.

57:19 I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far

off, and to him that is near, saith the LORD; and I will heal him.

57:20 But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest,

whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

57:21 There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

58:1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew

my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

58:2 Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation

that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God:

they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in

approaching to God.

58:3 Wherefore have we fasted, say they, and thou seest not? wherefore

have we afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in

the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your labours.

58:4 Behold, ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist

of wickedness: ye shall not fast as ye do this day, to make your voice

to be heard on high.

58:5 Is it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict

his soul? is it to bow down his head as a bulrush, and to spread

sackcloth and ashes under him? wilt thou call this a fast, and an

acceptable day to the LORD? 58:6 Is not this the fast that I have

chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens,

and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? 58:7

Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the

poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that

thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

58:8 Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health

shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before

thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy rereward.

58:9 Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry,

and he shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee

the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity; 58:10

And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted

soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as

the noon day: 58:11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and

satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be

like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail

not.

58:12 And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places:

thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou

shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to

dwell in.

58:13 If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy

pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of

the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways,

nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: 58:14

Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to

ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the

heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken

it.

59:1 Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save;

neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: 59:2 But your iniquities

have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his

face from you, that he will not hear.

59:3 For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with

iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered

perverseness.

59:4 None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust

in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth

iniquity.

59:5 They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that

eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out

into a viper.

59:6 Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover

themselves with their works: their works are works of iniquity, and

the act of violence is in their hands.

59:7 Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent

blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; wasting and

destruction are in their paths.

59:8 The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their

goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein

shall not know peace.

59:9 Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake

us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we

walk in darkness.

59:10 We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had

no eyes: we stumble at noon day as in the night; we are in desolate

places as dead men.

59:11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for

judgment, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us.

59:12 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins

testify against us: for our transgressions are with us; and as for our

iniquities, we know them; 59:13 In transgressing and lying against the

LORD, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt,

conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood.

59:14 And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar

off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

59:15 Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh

himself a prey: and the LORD saw it, and it displeased him that there

was no judgment.

59:16 And he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no

intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his

righteousness, it sustained him.

59:17 For he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of

salvation upon his head; and he put on the garments of vengeance for

clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak.

59:18 According to their deeds, accordingly he will repay, fury to his

adversaries, recompence to his enemies; to the islands he will repay

recompence.

59:19 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his

glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a

flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

59:20 And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn

from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.

59:21 As for me, this is my covenant with them, saith the LORD; My

spirit that is upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth,

shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed,

nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the LORD, from

henceforth and for ever.

60:1 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is

risen upon thee.

60:2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross

darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory

shall be seen upon thee.

60:3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the

brightness of thy rising.

60:4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather

themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far,

and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.

60:5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall

fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be

converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

60:6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of

Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring

gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.

60:7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the

rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with

acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory.

60:8 Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their

windows? 60:9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of

Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their

gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One

of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.

60:10 And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their

kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in

my favour have I had mercy on thee.

60:11 Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be

shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the

Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought.

60:12 For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall

perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.

60:13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the

pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my

sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious.

60:14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending

unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down

at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee; The city of the

LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

60:15 Whereas thou has been forsaken and hated, so that no man went

through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many

generations.

60:16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck

the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the LORD am thy

Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

60:17 For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver,

and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers

peace, and thine exactors righteousness.

60:18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor

destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls

Salvation, and thy gates Praise.

60:19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for

brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be

unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.

60:20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw

itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of

thy mourning shall be ended.

60:21 Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the

land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I

may be glorified.

60:22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong

nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time.

61:1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath

anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to

bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and

the opening of the prison to them that are bound; 61:2 To proclaim the

acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to

comfort all that mourn; 61:3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion,

to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the

garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be

called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might

be glorified.

61:4 And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the

former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the

desolations of many generations.

61:5 And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of

the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.

61:6 But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you

the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and

in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

61:7 For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall

rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess

the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

61:8 For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering;

and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting

covenant with them.

61:9 And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their

offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them,

that they are the seed which the LORD hath blessed.

61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in

my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath

covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh

himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her

jewels.

61:11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden

causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord

GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the

nations.

62:1 For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's

sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as

brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.

62:2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy

glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the

LORD shall name.

62:3 Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and

a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.

62:4 Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any

more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy

land Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be

married.

62:5 For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry

thee: and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God

rejoice over thee.

62:6 I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall

never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the

LORD, keep not silence, 62:7 And give him no rest, till he establish,

and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

62:8 The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his

strength, Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine

enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for

the which thou hast laboured: 62:9 But they that have gathered it

shall eat it, and praise the LORD; and they that have brought it

together shall drink it in the courts of my holiness.

62:10 Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the

people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a

standard for the people.

62:11 Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say

ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his

reward is with him, and his work before him.

62:12 And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the

LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.

63:1 Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from

Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the

greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to

save.

63:2 Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like

him that treadeth in the winefat? 63:3 I have trodden the winepress

alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them

in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be

sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.

63:4 For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my

redeemed is come.

63:5 And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that

there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation

unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.

63:6 And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them

drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.

63:7 I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, and the praises

of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and

the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed

on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of

his lovingkindnesses.

63:8 For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not

lie: so he was their Saviour.

63:9 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his

presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and

he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

63:10 But they rebelled, and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore he was

turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them.

63:11 Then he remembered the days of old, Moses, and his people,

saying, Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the

shepherd of his flock? where is he that put his holy Spirit within

him? 63:12 That led them by the right hand of Moses with his glorious

arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting

name? 63:13 That led them through the deep, as an horse in the

wilderness, that they should not stumble? 63:14 As a beast goeth down

into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest: so didst

thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name.

63:15 Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy

holiness and of thy glory: where is thy zeal and thy strength, the

sounding of thy bowels and of thy mercies toward me? are they

restrained? 63:16 Doubtless thou art our father, though Abraham be

ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, O LORD, art our

father, our redeemer; thy name is from everlasting.

63:17 O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, and hardened

our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of

thine inheritance.

63:18 The people of thy holiness have possessed it but a little while:

our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary.

63:19 We are thine: thou never barest rule over them; they were not

called by thy name.

64:1 Oh that thou wouldest rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come

down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence, 64:2 As when

the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make

thy name known to thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at

thy presence! 64:3 When thou didst terrible things which we looked

not for, thou camest down, the mountains flowed down at thy presence.

64:4 For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor

perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee,

what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.

64:5 Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, those

that remember thee in thy ways: behold, thou art wroth; for we have

sinned: in those is continuance, and we shall be saved.

64:6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses

are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities,

like the wind, have taken us away.

64:7 And there is none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up

himself to take hold of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and

hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.

64:8 But now, O LORD, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou

our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand.

64:9 Be not wroth very sore, O LORD, neither remember iniquity for

ever: behold, see, we beseech thee, we are all thy people.

64:10 Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness,

Jerusalem a desolation.

64:11 Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised

thee, is burned up with fire: and all our pleasant things are laid

waste.

64:12 Wilt thou refrain thyself for these things, O LORD? wilt thou

hold thy peace, and afflict us very sore? 65:1 I am sought of them

that asked not for me; I am found of them that sought me not: I said,

Behold me, behold me, unto a nation that was not called by my name.

65:2 I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people,

which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts;

65:3 A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that

sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense upon altars of brick; 65:4

Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, which eat

swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things is in their vessels;

65:5 Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier

than thou. These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the

day.

65:6 Behold, it is written before me: I will not keep silence, but

will recompense, even recompense into their bosom, 65:7 Your

iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, saith the

LORD, which have burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me

upon the hills: therefore will I measure their former work into their

bosom.

65:8 Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and

one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for

my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.

65:9 And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an

inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my

servants shall dwell there.

65:10 And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a

place for the herds to lie down in, for my people that have sought me.

65:11 But ye are they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy

mountain, that prepare a table for that troop, and that furnish the

drink offering unto that number.

65:12 Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow

down to the slaughter: because when I called, ye did not answer; when

I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine eyes, and did

choose that wherein I delighted not.

65:13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, my servants shall

eat, but ye shall be hungry: behold, my servants shall drink, but ye

shall be thirsty: behold, my servants shall rejoice, but ye shall be

ashamed: 65:14 Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye

shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howl for vexation of spirit.

65:15 And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for the

Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name: 65:16

That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the

God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God

of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they

are hid from mine eyes.

65:17 For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the

former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

65:18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for,

behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

65:19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the

voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of

crying.

65:20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man

that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred

years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be

accursed.

65:21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall

plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

65:22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant,

and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people,

and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

65:23 They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for

they are the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with

them.

65:24 And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer;

and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

65:25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall

eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They

shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.

66:1 Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my

footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the

place of my rest? 66:2 For all those things hath mine hand made, and

all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I

look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth

at my word.

66:3 He that killeth an ox is as if he slew a man; he that sacrificeth

a lamb, as if he cut off a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation,

as if he offered swine's blood; he that burneth incense, as if he

blessed an idol.

Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in

their abominations.

66:4 I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears

upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they

did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in

which I delighted not.

66:5 Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your

brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said,

Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they

shall be ashamed.

66:6 A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice

of the LORD that rendereth recompence to his enemies.

66:7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came,

she was delivered of a man child.

66:8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the

earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at

once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

66:9 Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith

the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut the womb? saith thy

God.

66:10 Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that

love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her: 66:11

That ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her

consolations; that ye may milk out, and be delighted with the

abundance of her glory.

66:12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like

a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then

shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon her sides, and be dandled upon

her knees.

66:13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye

shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

66:14 And when ye see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones

shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of the LORD shall be known

toward his servants, and his indignation toward his enemies.

66:15 For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots

like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with

flames of fire.

66:16 For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh:

and the slain of the LORD shall be many.

66:17 They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the

gardens behind one tree in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the

abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together, saith the

LORD.

66:18 For I know their works and their thoughts: it shall come, that I

will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come, and see my

glory.

66:19 And I will set a sign among them, and I will send those that

escape of them unto the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw

the bow, to Tubal, and Javan, to the isles afar off, that have not

heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; and they shall declare my

glory among the Gentiles.

66:20 And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the

LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters,

and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to my holy mountain Jerusalem,

saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean

vessel into the house of the LORD.

66:21 And I will also take of them for priests and for Levites, saith

the LORD.

66:22 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make,

shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your

name remain.

66:23 And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another,

and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship

before me, saith the LORD.

66:24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men

that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die,

neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring

unto all flesh.

The Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

1:1 The words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that

were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin: 1:2 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.

1:3 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.

1:4 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 1:5 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.

1:6 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a

child.

1:7 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.

1:8 Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee,

saith the LORD.

1:9 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.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

1:12 Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will

hasten my word to perform it.

1:13 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.

1:14 Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the north an evil shall break

forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.

1:15 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.

1:16 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.

1:17 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.

1:18 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.

1:19 And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail

against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

2:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the

families of the house of Israel: 2:5 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? 2:6 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?

2:7 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.

2:8 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.

2:9 Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith the LORD, and with your

children's children will I plead.

2:10 For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar,

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

2:11 Hath a nation changed their gods, which are yet no gods? but my

people have changed their glory for that which doth not profit.

2:12 Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be

ye very desolate, saith the LORD.

2:13 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.

2:14 Is Israel a servant? is he a homeborn slave? why is he spoiled?

2:15 The young lions roared upon him, and yelled, and they made his

land waste: his cities are burned without inhabitant.

2:16 Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes have broken the crown of

thy head.

2:17 Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast

forsaken the LORD thy God, when he led thee by the way? 2:18 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? 2:19 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.

2:20 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.

2:21 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? 2:22 For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much

soap, yet thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.

2:23 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; 2:24 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.

2:25 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.

2:26 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.

2:27 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.

2:28 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.

2:29 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against

me, saith the LORD.

2:30 In vain have I smitten your children; they received no

correction: your own sword hath devoured your prophets, like a

destroying lion.

2:31 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? 2:32 Can a maid forget

her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me

days without number.

2:33 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also

taught the wicked ones thy ways.

2:34 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.

2:35 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.

2:36 Why gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? thou also shalt

be ashamed of Egypt, as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.

2:37 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.

3:1 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.

3:2 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.

3:3 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.

3:4 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou art the

guide of my youth? 3:5 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.

3:6 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.

3:7 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.

3:8 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.

3:9 And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that

she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with

stocks.

3:10 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned

unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith the LORD.

3:11 And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified

herself more than treacherous Judah.

3:12 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.

3:13 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.

3:14 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: 3:15 And I will give you pastors according

to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

3:16 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.

3:17 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.

3:18 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.

3:19 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.

3:20 Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so

have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the

LORD.

3:21 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.

3:22 Return, ye backsliding children, and I will heal your

backslidings.

Behold, we come unto thee; for thou art the LORD our God.

3:23 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.

3:24 For shame hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our youth;

their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters.

3:25 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.

4:1 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.

4:2 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.

4:3 For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break

up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns.

4:4 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.

4:5 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.

4:6 Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not: for I will

bring evil from the north, and a great destruction.

4:7 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.

4:8 For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce

anger of the LORD is not turned back from us.

4:9 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.

4:10 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.

4:11 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, 4:12 Even a full wind from

those places shall come unto me: now also will I give sentence against

them.

4:13 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.

4:14 O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest

be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee? 4:15

For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount

Ephraim.

4:16 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.

4:17 As keepers of a field, are they against her round about; because

she hath been rebellious against me, saith the LORD.

4:18 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.

4:19 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.

4:20 Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is

spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, and my curtains in a moment.

4:21 How long shall I see the standard, and hear the sound of the

trumpet? 4:22 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.

4:23 I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and

the heavens, and they had no light.

4:24 I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills

moved lightly.

4:25 I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the

heavens were fled.

4:26 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.

4:27 For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate;

yet will I not make a full end.

4:28 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.

4:29 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.

4:30 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.

4:31 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.

5:1 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.

5:2 And though they say, The LORD liveth; surely they swear falsely.

5:3 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.

5:4 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.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 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.

5:8 They were as fed horses in the morning: every one neighed after

his neighbour's wife.

5:9 Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD: and shall not

my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? 5:10 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.

5:11 For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very

treacherously against me, saith the LORD.

5:12 They have belied the LORD, and said, It is not he; neither shall

evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine: 5:13 And the

prophets shall become wind, and the word is not in them: thus shall it

be done unto them.

5:14 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.

5:15 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.

5:16 Their quiver is as an open sepulchre, they are all mighty men.

5:17 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.

5:18 Nevertheless in those days, saith the LORD, I will not make a

full end with you.

5:19 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.

5:20 Declare this in the house of Jacob, and publish it in Judah,

saying, 5:21 Hear now this, O foolish people, and without

understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear

not: 5:22 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? 5:23 But this people hath a revolting and a

rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone.

5:24 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.

5:25 Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have

withholden good things from you.

5:26 For among my people are found wicked men: they lay wait, as he

that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

5:27 As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit:

therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

5:28 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.

5:29 Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD: shall not my

soul be avenged on such a nation as this? 5:30 A wonderful and

horrible thing is committed in the land; 5:31 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? 6:1 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.

6:2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate

woman.

6:3 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.

6:4 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.

6:5 Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.

6:6 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.

6:7 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.

6:8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul depart from thee;

lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.

6:9 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall throughly glean the

remnant of Israel as a vine: turn back thine hand as a grapegatherer

into the baskets.

6:10 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.

6:11 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.

6:12 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.

6:13 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.

6:14 They have healed also the hurt of the daughter of my people

slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

6:15 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.

6:16 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.

6:17 Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the

trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

6:18 Therefore hear, ye nations, and know, O congregation, what is

among them.

6:19 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.

6:20 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.

6:21 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.

6:22 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.

6:23 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.

6:24 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: anguish

hath taken hold of us, and pain, as of a woman in travail.

6:25 Go not forth into the field, nor walk by the way; for the sword

of the enemy and fear is on every side.

6:26 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.

6:27 I have set thee for a tower and a fortress among my people, that

thou mayest know and try their way.

6:28 They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are

brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

6:29 The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the

founder melteth in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.

6:30 Reprobate silver shall men call them, because the LORD hath

rejected them.

7:1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 7:2 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.

7:3 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.

7:4 Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The

temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, are these.

7:5 For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye

throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour; 7:6 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: 7:7 Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land

that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever.

7:8 Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit.

7:9 Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and

burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not;

7:10 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? 7:11 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.

7:12 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.

7:13 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; 7:14 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.

7:15 And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your

brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim.

7:16 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.

7:17 Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the

streets of Jerusalem? 7:18 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.

7:19 Do they provoke me to anger? saith the LORD: do they not provoke

themselves to the confusion of their own faces? 7:20 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.

7:21 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Put your burnt

offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat flesh.

7:22 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: 7:23 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.

7:24 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.

7:25 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: 7:26 Yet they

hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but hardened their

neck: they did worse than their fathers.

7:27 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.

7:28 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.

7:29 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.

7:30 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.

7:31 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.

7:32 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.

7:33 And the carcases 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.

7:34 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.

8:1 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: 8:2 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.

8:3 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.

8:4 Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they

fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return? 8:5 Why then

is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding?

they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

8:6 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.

8:7 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.

8:8 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.

8:9 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? 8:10

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.

8:11 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people

slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

8:12 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.

8:13 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.

8:14 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.

8:15 We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of health,

and behold trouble! 8:16 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.

8:17 For, behold, I will send serpents, cockatrices, among you, which

will not be charmed, and they shall bite you, saith the LORD.

8:18 When I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart is faint in

me.

8:19 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? 8:20 The harvest is past, the

summer is ended, and we are not saved.

8:21 For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt; I am black;

astonishment hath taken hold on me.

8:22 Is there no balm in Gilead; is there no physician there? why then

is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered? 9:1 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! 9:2 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.

9:3 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.

9:4 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.

9:5 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.

9:6 Thine habitation is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they

refuse to know me, saith the LORD.

9:7 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? 9:8

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.

9:9 Shall I not visit them for these things? saith the LORD: shall not

my soul be avenged on such a nation as this? 9:10 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.

9:11 And I will make Jerusalem heaps, and a den of dragons; and I will

make the cities of Judah desolate, without an inhabitant.

9:12 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? 9:13 And the LORD saith, Because they have forsaken

my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither

walked therein; 9:14 But have walked after the imagination of their

own heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them: 9:15

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.

9:16 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.

9:17 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: 9:18 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.

9:19 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.

9:20 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.

9:21 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.

9:22 Speak, Thus saith the LORD, Even the carcases of men shall fall

as dung upon the open field, and as the handful after the harvestman,

and none shall gather them.

9:23 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: 9:24 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.

9:25 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will punish all

them which are circumcised with the uncircumcised; 9:26 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.

10:1 Hear ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of

Israel: 10:2 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.

10:3 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.

10:4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails

and with hammers, that it move not.

10:5 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.

10:6 Forasmuch as there is none like unto thee, O LORD; thou art

great, and thy name is great in might.

10:7 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.

10:8 But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the stock is a

doctrine of vanities.

10:9 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.

10:10 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.

10:11 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.

10:12 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.

10:13 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.

10:14 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.

10:15 They are vanity, and the work of errors: in the time of their

visitation they shall perish.

10:16 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.

10:17 Gather up thy wares out of the land, O inhabitant of the

fortress.

10:18 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.

10:19 Woe is me for my hurt! my wound is grievous; but I said, Truly

this is a grief, and I must bear it.

10:20 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.

10:21 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the

LORD: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be

scattered.

10:22 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.

10:23 O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not

in man that walketh to direct his steps.

10:24 O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest

thou bring me to nothing.

10:25 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.

11:1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD saying, 11:2 Hear ye

the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to

the inhabitants of Jerusalem; 11:3 And say thou unto them, Thus saith

the LORD God of Israel; Cursed be the man that obeyeth not the words

of this covenant, 11:4 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: 11:5 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.

11:6 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.

11:7 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.

11:8 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.

11:9 And the LORD said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of

Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

11:10 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.

11:11 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.

11:12 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.

11:13 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.

11:14 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.

11:15 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.

11:16 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.

11:17 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.

11:18 And the LORD hath given me knowledge of it, and I know it: then

thou shewedst me their doings.

11:19 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.

11:20 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.

11:21 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek

thy life, saying, Prophesy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die

not by our hand: 11:22 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: 11:23 And there shall be no

remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even

the year of their visitation.

12:1 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?

12:2 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.

12:3 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.

12:4 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.

12:5 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? 12:6 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.

12:7 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.

12:8 Mine heritage is unto me as a lion in the forest; it crieth out

against me: therefore have I hated it.

12:9 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.

12:10 Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my

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

wilderness.

12:11 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.

12:12 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.

12:13 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.

12:14 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.

12:15 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.

12:16 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.

12:17 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy

that nation, saith the LORD.

13:1 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.

13:2 So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put it

on my loins.

13:3 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,

13:4 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.

13:5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me.

13:6 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.

13:7 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.

13:8 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 13:9 Thus saith

the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the

great pride of Jerusalem.

13:10 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.

13:11 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.

13:12 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? 13:13 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.

13:14 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.

13:15 Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.

13:16 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.

13:17 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.

13:18 Say unto the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down:

for your principalities shall come down, even the crown of your glory.

13:19 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.

13:20 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north:

where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock? 13:21

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? 13:22 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.

13:23 Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots?

then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil.

13:24 Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble that passeth away

by the wind of the wilderness.

13:25 This is thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the

LORD; because thou hast forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.

13:26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy

shame may appear.

13:27 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? 14:1 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning

the dearth.

14:2 Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black

unto the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up.

14:3 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.

14:4 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no rain in the earth,

the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.

14:5 Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook it, because

there was no grass.

14:6 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.

14:7 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.

14:8 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? 14:9 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.

14:10 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.

14:11 Then said the LORD unto me, Pray not for this people for their

good.

14:12 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.

14:13 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.

14:14 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.

14:15 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.

14:16 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.

14:17 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.

14:18 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.

14:19 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! 14:20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, and the

iniquity of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee.

14:21 Do not abhor us, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne

of thy glory: remember, break not thy covenant with us.

14:22 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.

15:1 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.

15:2 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.

15:3 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.

15:4 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.

15:5 For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall

bemoan thee? or who shall go aside to ask how thou doest? 15:6 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.

15:7 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.

15:8 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.

15:9 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.

15:10 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.

15:11 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.

15:12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel? 15:13 Thy

substance and thy treasures will I give to the spoil without price,

and that for all thy sins, even in all thy borders.

15:14 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.

15:15 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.

15:16 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.

15:17 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.

15:18 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? 15:19 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.

15:20 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.

15:21 And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I

will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.

16:1 The word of the LORD came also unto me, saying, 16:2 Thou shalt

not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in

this place.

16:3 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; 16:4 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 carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and

for the beasts of the earth.

16:5 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.

16:6 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: 16:7 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.

16:8 Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with

them to eat and to drink.

16:9 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.

16:10 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?

16:11 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; 16:12 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: 16:13 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.

16:14 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; 16:15 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.

16:16 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.

16:17 For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my

face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.

16:18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double;

because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance

with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.

16:19 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.

16:20 Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods? 16:21

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.

17:1 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; 17:2 Whilst their children remember

their altars and their groves by the green trees upon the high hills.

17:3 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.

17:4 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.

17:5 Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and

maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

17:6 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.

17:7 Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the

LORD is.

17:8 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.

17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked:

who can know it? 17:10 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.

17:11 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.

17:12 A glorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our

sanctuary.

17:13 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.

17:14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be

saved: for thou art my praise.

17:15 Behold, they say unto me, Where is the word of the LORD? let it

come now.

17:16 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.

17:17 Be not a terror unto me: thou art my hope in the day of evil.

17:18 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.

17:19 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; 17:20 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: 17:21 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;

17:22 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.

17:23 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their

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

17:24 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;

17:25 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.

17:26 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.

17:27 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.

18:1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 18:2

Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee

to hear my words.

18:3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a

work on the wheels.

18:4 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.

18:5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 18:6 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.

18:7 At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning

a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it; 18:8 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.

18:9 And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and

concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it; 18:10 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.

18:11 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.

18:12 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.

18:13 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.

18:14 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? 18:15 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; 18:16 To make their land desolate, and a perpetual hissing; every

one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.

18:17 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.

18:18 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.

18:19 Give heed to me, O LORD, and hearken to the voice of them that

contend with me.

18:20 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.

18:21 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.

18:22 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.

18:23 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.

19:1 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; 19:2 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, 19:3 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.

19:4 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; 19:5 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:

19:6 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.

19:7 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

carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for

the beasts of the earth.

19:8 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.

19:9 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.

19:10 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go

with thee, 19:11 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.

19:12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the

inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet: 19:13 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.

19:14 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, 19:15 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.

20:1 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.

20:2 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.

20:3 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.

20:4 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.

20:5 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.

20:6 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.

20:7 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.

20:8 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.

20:9 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.

20:10 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.

20:11 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.

20:12 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.

20:13 Sing unto the LORD, praise ye the LORD: for he hath delivered

the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.

20:14 Cursed be the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my

mother bare me be blessed.

20:15 Cursed be the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A

man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.

20:16 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; 20:17 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.

20:18 Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow,

that my days should be consumed with shame? 21:1 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, 21:2 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.

21:3 Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah: 21:4

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.

21:5 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.

21:6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and

beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

21:7 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.

21:8 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.

21:9 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.

21:10 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.

21:11 And touching the house of the king of Judah, say, Hear ye the

word of the LORD; 21:12 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.

21:13 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? 21:14 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.

22:1 Thus saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah,

and speak there this word, 22:2 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: 22:3 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.

22:4 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.

22:5 But if ye will not hear these words, I swear by myself, saith the

LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.

22:6 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.

22:7 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.

22:8 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? 22:9 Then they shall answer, Because they have

forsaken the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other

gods, and served them.

22:10 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.

22:11 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: 22:12 But he

shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall

see this land no more.

22:13 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; 22:14 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.

22:15 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? 22:16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then

it was well with him: was not this to know me? saith the LORD.

22:17 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.

22:18 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! 22:19 He shall be buried with the burial of

an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.

22:20 Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and

cry from the passages: for all thy lovers are destroyed.

22:21 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.

22:22 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.

22:23 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! 22:24 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; 22:25 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.

22:26 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.

22:27 But to the land whereunto they desire to return, thither shall

they not return.

22:28 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? 22:29 O earth, earth,

earth, hear the word of the LORD.

22:30 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.

23:1 Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my

pasture! saith the LORD.

23:2 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.

23:3 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.

23:4 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.

23:5 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.

23:6 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.

23:7 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; 23:8 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.

23:9 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.

23:10 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.

23:11 For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in my house have I

found their wickedness, saith the LORD.

23:12 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.

23:13 And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they

prophesied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to err.

23:14 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.

23:15 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.

23:16 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.

23:17 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.

23:18 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?

23:19 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.

23:20 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.

23:21 I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken

to them, yet they prophesied.

23:22 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.

23:23 Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

23:24 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.

23:25 I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my

name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

23:26 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; 23:27 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.

23:28 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.

23:29 Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer

that breaketh the rock in pieces? 23:30 Therefore, behold, I am

against the prophets, saith the LORD, that steal my words every one

from his neighbour.

23:31 Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use

their tongues, and say, He saith.

23:32 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.

23:33 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.

23:34 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.

23:35 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? 23:36 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.

23:37 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the LORD answered

thee? and, What hath the LORD spoken? 23:38 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; 23:39 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:

23:40 And I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a

perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

24:1 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.

24:2 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.

24:3 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.

24:4 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 24:5 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.

24:6 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.

24:7 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.

24:8 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: 24:9 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.

24:10 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.

25:1 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; 25:2 The which

Jeremiah the prophet spake unto all the people of Judah, and to all

the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, 25:3 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.

25:4 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.

25:5 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: 25:6 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.

25:7 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.

25:8 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard

my words, 25:9 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.

25:10 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.

25:11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment;

and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

25:12 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.

25:13 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.

25:14 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.

25:15 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.

25:16 And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the

sword that I will send among them.

25:17 Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all the nations

to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me: 25:18 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; 25:19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and

his princes, and all his people; 25:20 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, 25:21 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon, 25:22 And all

the kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the

isles which are beyond the sea, 25:23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and

all that are in the utmost corners, 25:24 And all the kings of Arabia,

and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert,

25:25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all

the kings of the Medes, 25:26 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.

25:27 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.

25:28 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.

25:29 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.

25:30 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.

25:31 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.

25:32 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.

25:33 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.

25:34 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.

25:35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal

of the flock to escape.

25:36 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.

25:37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce

anger of the LORD.

25:38 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.

26:1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king

of Judah came this word from the LORD, saying, 26:2 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:

26:3 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.

26:4 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, 26:5 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; 26:6 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make

this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.

26:7 So the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah

speaking these words in the house of the LORD.

26:8 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.

26:9 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.

26:10 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.

26:11 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.

26:12 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.

26:13 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.

26:14 As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me as seemeth good

and meet unto you.

26:15 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.

26:16 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.

26:17 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all

the assembly of the people, saying, 26:18 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.

26:19 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.

26:20 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.

26:21 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;

26:22 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely, Elnathan the

son of Achbor, and certain men with him into Egypt.

26:23 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.

26:24 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.

27:1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king

of Judah came this word unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 27:2 Thus

saith the LORD to me; Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy

neck, 27:3 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; 27:4 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; 27:5 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.

27:6 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.

27:7 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.

27:8 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.

27:9 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:

27:10 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.

27:11 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.

27:12 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.

27:13 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? 27:14 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.

27:15 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.

27:16 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.

27:17 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live:

wherefore should this city be laid waste? 27:18 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.

27:19 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.

27:20 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; 27:21

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; 27:22 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.

28:1 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, 28:2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the

God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.

28:3 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: 28:4 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.

28:5 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, 28:6 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.

28:7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears,

and in the ears of all the people; 28:8 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.

28:9 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.

28:10 Then Hananiah the prophet took the yoke from off the prophet

Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.

28:11 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.

28:12 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, 28:13 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.

28:14 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.

28:15 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.

28:16 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.

28:17 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

29:1 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; 29:2 (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;) 29:3 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, 29:4 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; 29:5 Build ye houses, and dwell in them;

and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them; 29:6 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.

29:7 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.

29:8 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.

29:9 For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent

them, saith the LORD.

29:10 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.

29:11 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.

29:12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me,

and I will hearken unto you.

29:13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me

with all your heart.

29:14 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.

29:15 Because ye have said, The LORD hath raised us up prophets in

Babylon; 29:16 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; 29:17 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.

29:18 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: 29:19 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.

29:20 Hear ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captivity,

whom I have sent from Jerusalem to Babylon: 29:21 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; 29:22 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; 29:23 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.

29:24 Thus shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the Nehelamite, saying,

29:25 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, 29:26 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.

29:27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth,

which maketh himself a prophet to you? 29:28 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.

29:29 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of

Jeremiah the prophet.

29:30 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying, 29:31 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: 29:32

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.

30:1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 30:2 Thus

speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that

I have spoken unto thee in a book.

30:3 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.

30:4 And these are the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and

concerning Judah.

30:5 For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of

fear, and not of peace.

30:6 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? 30:7 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.

30:8 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: 30:9 But

they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will

raise up unto them.

30:10 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.

30:11 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.

30:12 For thus saith the LORD, Thy bruise is incurable, and thy wound

is grievous.

30:13 There is none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up:

thou hast no healing medicines.

30:14 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.

30:15 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.

30:16 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.

30:17 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.

30:18 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.

30:19 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.

30:20 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their

congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all

that oppress them.

30:21 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.

30:22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

30:23 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a

continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the

wicked.

30:24 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.

31:1 At the same time, saith the LORD, will I be the God of all the

families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

31:2 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.

31:3 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.

31:4 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.

31:5 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the

planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things.

31:6 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.

31:7 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.

31:8 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.

31:9 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.

31:10 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.

31:11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand

of him that was stronger than he.

31:12 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.

31:13 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.

31:14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my

people shall be satisfied with my goodness, saith the LORD.

31:15 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.

31:16 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.

31:17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy

children shall come again to their own border.

31:18 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.

31:19 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.

31:20 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.

31:21 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.

31:22 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.

31:23 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.

31:24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities

thereof together, husbandmen, and they that go forth with flocks.

31:25 For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every

sorrowful soul.

31:26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me.

31:27 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.

31:28 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.

31:29 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a

sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

31:30 But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that

eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.

31:31 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: 31:32

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: 31:33 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.

31:34 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.

31:35 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: 31:36 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.

31:37 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.

31:38 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.

31:39 And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon

the hill Gareb, and shall compass about to Goath.

31:40 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.

32:1 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.

32:2 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.

32:3 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;

32:4 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; 32:5 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.

32:6 And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

32:7 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.

32:8 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.

32:9 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.

32:10 And I subscribed the evidence, and sealed it, and took

witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances.

32:11 So I took the evidence of the purchase, both that which was

sealed according to the law and custom, and that which was open: 32:12

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.

32:13 And I charged Baruch before them, saying, 32:14 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.

32:15 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Houses and

fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.

32:16 Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase unto

Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto the LORD, saying, 32:17 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:

32:18 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, 32:19 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: 32:20 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; 32:21 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; 32:22 And hast given them this land,

which thou didst swear to their fathers to give them, a land flowing

with milk and honey; 32:23 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: 32:24 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.

32:25 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.

32:26 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying, 32:27

Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too

hard for me? 32:28 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: 32:29 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.

32:30 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.

32:31 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, 32:32 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.

32:33 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.

32:34 But they set their abominations in the house, which is called by

my name, to defile it.

32:35 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.

32:36 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; 32:37 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: 32:38 And they shall be my people, and I will be

their God: 32:39 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: 32:40 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.

32:41 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.

32:42 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.

32:43 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.

32:44 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.

33:1 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, 33:2 Thus

saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to

establish it; the LORD is his name; 33:3 Call unto me, and I will

answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest

not.

33:4 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; 33:5 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.

33:6 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them,

and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.

33:7 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of

Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.

33:8 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.

33:9 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.

33:10 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,

33:11 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.

33:12 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.

33:13 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.

33:14 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.

33:15 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.

33:16 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.

33:17 For thus saith the LORD; David shall never want a man to sit

upon the throne of the house of Israel; 33:18 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.

33:19 And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying, 33:20 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; 33:21 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.

33:22 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.

33:23 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying, 33:24

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.

33:25 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; 33:26

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.

34:1 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, 34:2 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: 34:3

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.

34:4 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: 34:5 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.

34:6 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake all these words unto Zedekiah

king of Judah in Jerusalem, 34:7 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.

34:8 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; 34:9 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.

34:10 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.

34:11 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.

34:12 Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the LORD,

saying, 34:13 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, 34:14 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.

34:15 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: 34:16 But

ye turned and polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and

every man his handmaid, whom ye had set at liberty at their pleasure,

to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for

servants and for handmaids.

34:17 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.

34:18 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, 34:19 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; 34:20 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.

34:21 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.

34:22 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.

35:1 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of

Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying, 35:2 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.

35:3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniah,

and his brethren, and all his sons, and the whole house of the

Rechabites; 35:4 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: 35:5 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.

35:6 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: 35:7 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.

35:8 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; 35:9 Nor to build houses

for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:

35:10 But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according

to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

35:11 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.

35:12 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying, 35:13 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.

35:14 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.

35:15 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.

35:16 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: 35:17 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.

35:18 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: 35:19 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.

36:1 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, 36:2 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.

36:3 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.

36:4 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.

36:5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut up; I cannot go

into the house of the LORD: 36:6 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.

36:7 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.

36:8 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.

36:9 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.

36:10 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.

36:11 When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard

out of the book all the words of the LORD, 36:12 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.

36:13 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had

heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.

36:14 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.

36:15 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears.

So Baruch read it in their ears.

36:16 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.

36:17 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How didst thou write

all these words at his mouth? 36:18 Then Baruch answered them, He

pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote them

with ink in the book.

36:19 Then said the princes unto Baruch, Go, hide thee, thou and

Jeremiah; and let no man know where ye be.

36:20 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.

36:21 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.

36:22 Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and

there was a fire on the hearth burning before him.

36:23 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.

36:24 Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the

king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

36:25 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.

36:26 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.

36:27 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, 36:28 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.

36:29 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? 36:30

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.

36:31 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.

36:32 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.

37:1 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.

37:2 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.

37:3 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.

37:4 Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had

not put him into prison.

37:5 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.

37:6 Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah saying,

37:7 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.

37:8 And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city,

and take it, and burn it with fire.

37:9 Thus saith the LORD; Deceive not yourselves, saying, The

Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart.

37:10 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.

37:11 And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was

broken up from Jerusalem for fear of Pharaoh's army, 37:12 Then

Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin,

to separate himself thence in the midst of the people.

37:13 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.

37:14 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.

37:15 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.

37:16 When Jeremiah was entered into the dungeon, and into the cabins,

and Jeremiah had remained there many days; 37:17 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.

37:18 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? 37:19 Where are now your prophets which

prophesied unto you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come

against you, nor against this land? 37:20 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.

37:21 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.

38:1 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, 38:2 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.

38:3 Thus saith the LORD, This city shall surely be given into the

hand of the king of Babylon's army, which shall take it.

38:4 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.

38:5 Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he is in your hand: for the

king is not he that can do any thing against you.

38:6 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.

38:7 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; 38:8 Ebedmelech went

forth out of the king's house, and spake to the king saying, 38:9 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.

38:10 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.

38:11 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.

38:12 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.

38:13 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the

dungeon: and Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

38:14 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.

38:15 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? 38:16 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.

38:17 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:

38:18 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.

38:19 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.

38:20 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.

38:21 But if thou refuse to go forth, this is the word that the LORD

hath shewed me: 38:22 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.

38:23 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.

38:24 Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, Let no man know of these

words, and thou shalt not die.

38:25 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: 38:26 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.

38:27 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.

38:28 So Jeremiah abode in the court of the prison until the day that

Jerusalem was taken: and he was there when Jerusalem was taken.

39:1 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.

39:2 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the

ninth day of the month, the city was broken up.

39:3 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.

39:4 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.

39:5 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.

39:6 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.

39:7 Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains,

to carry him to Babylon.

39:8 And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the

people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.

39:9 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.

39:10 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.

39:11 Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning

Jeremiah to Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard, saying, 39:12 Take

him, and look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as

he shall say unto thee.

39:13 So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushasban,

Rabsaris, and Nergalsharezer, Rabmag, and all the king of Babylon's

princes; 39:14 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.

39:15 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut

up in the court of the prison, saying, 39:16 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.

39:17 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.

39:18 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.

40:1 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.

40:2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him,

The LORD thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place.

40:3 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.

40:4 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.

40:5 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.

40:6 Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and

dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land.

40:7 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; 40:8 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.

40:9 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.

40:10 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.

40:11 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; 40:12 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.

40:13 Moreover Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the

forces that were in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, 40:14 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.

40:15 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? 40:16 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.

41:1 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.

41:2 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.

41:3 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.

41:4 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah,

and no man knew it, 41:5 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.

41:6 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.

41:7 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.

41:8 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 forbare, and slew them not among their

brethren.

41:9 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.

41:10 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.

41:11 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, 41:12 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.

41:13 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.

41:14 So all the people that Ishmael had carried away captive from

Mizpah cast about and returned, and went unto Johanan the son of

Kareah.

41:15 But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with eight

men, and went to the Ammonites.

41:16 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: 41:17 And they departed, and dwelt in the

habitation of Chimham, which is by Bethlehem, to go to enter into

Egypt, 41:18 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.

42:1 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, 42:2 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:) 42:3 That the LORD thy God may shew us the way wherein we may

walk, and the thing that we may do.

42:4 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.

42:5 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.

42:6 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.

42:7 And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of the LORD

came unto Jeremiah.

42:8 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, 42:9 And said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, the God

of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before

him; 42:10 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.

42:11 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.

42:12 And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon

you, and cause you to return to your own land.

42:13 But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the

voice of the LORD your God, 42:14 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: 42:15 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; 42:16 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.

42:17 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.

42:18 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.

42:19 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.

42:20 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.

42:21 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.

42:22 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.

43:1 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,

43:2 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: 43:3 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.

43:4 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.

43:5 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;

43:6 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.

43:7 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the

voice of the LORD: thus came they even to Tahpanhes.

43:8 Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes,

saying, 43:9 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; 43:10 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.

43:11 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.

43:12 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.

43:13 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.

44:1 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, 44:2 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,

44:3 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.

44:4 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.

44:5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their

wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

44:6 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.

44:7 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; 44:8 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? 44:9 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? 44:10 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.

44:11 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.

44:12 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.

44:13 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: 44:14 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.

44:15 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, 44:16 As for the word that thou hast spoken

unto us in the name of the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee.

44:17 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.

44:18 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.

44:19 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? 44:20 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, 44:21 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? 44:22 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.

44:23 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.

44:24 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: 44:25 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.

44:26 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.

44:27 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.

44:28 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.

44:29 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: 44:30 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.

45:1 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, 45:2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee,

O Baruch: 45:3 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.

45:4 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.

45:5 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.

46:1 The word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah the prophet against

the Gentiles; 46:2 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.

46:3 Order ye the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle.

46:4 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with

your helmets; furbish the spears, and put on the brigandines.

46:5 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.

46:6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; they

shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.

46:7 Who is this that cometh up as a flood, whose waters are moved as

the rivers? 46:8 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.

46:9 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.

46:10 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.

46:11 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.

46:12 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.

46:13 The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how

Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come and smite the land of

Egypt.

46:14 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.

46:15 Why are thy valiant men swept away? they stood not, because the

LORD did drive them.

46:16 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.

46:17 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt is but a noise; he

hath passed the time appointed.

46:18 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.

46:19 O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, furnish thyself to go into

captivity: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.

46:20 Egypt is like a very fair heifer, but destruction cometh; it

cometh out of the north.

46:21 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.

46:22 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.

46:23 They shall cut down her forest, saith the LORD, though it cannot

be searched; because they are more than the grasshoppers, and are

innumerable.

46:24 The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be

delivered into the hand of the people of the north.

46:25 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: 46:26

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.

46:27 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.

46:28 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.

47:1 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against

the Philistines, before that Pharaoh smote Gaza.

47:2 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.

47:3 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;

47:4 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.

47:5 Baldness is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is cut off with the remnant

of their valley: how long wilt thou cut thyself? 47:6 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.

47:7 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.

48:1 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.

48:2 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.

48:3 A voice of crying shall be from Horonaim, spoiling and great

destruction.

48:4 Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard.

48:5 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.

48:6 Flee, save your lives, and be like the heath in the wilderness.

48:7 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.

48:8 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.

48:9 Give wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the

cities thereof shall be desolate, without any to dwell therein.

48:10 Cursed be he that doeth the work of the LORD deceitfully, and

cursed be he that keepeth back his sword from blood.

48:11 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.

48:12 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.

48:13 And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was

ashamed of Bethel their confidence.

48:14 How say ye, We are mighty and strong men for the war? 48:15

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.

48:16 The calamity of Moab is near to come, and his affliction hasteth

fast.

48:17 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!

48:18 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.

48:19 O inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that

fleeth, and her that escapeth, and say, What is done? 48:20 Moab is

confounded; for it is broken down: howl and cry; tell ye it in Arnon,

that Moab is spoiled, 48:21 And judgment is come upon the plain

country; upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and upon Mephaath, 48:22 And

upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Bethdiblathaim, 48:23 And upon

Kiriathaim, and upon Bethgamul, and upon Bethmeon, 48:24 And upon

Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab,

far or near.

48:25 The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the

LORD.

48:26 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.

48:27 For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among

thieves? for since thou spakest of him, thou skippedst for joy.

48:28 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.

48:29 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.

48:30 I know his wrath, saith the LORD; but it shall not be so; his

lies shall not so effect it.

48:31 Therefore will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab;

mine heart shall mourn for the men of Kirheres.

48:32 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.

48:33 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.

48:34 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.

48:35 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.

48:36 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.

48:37 For every head shall be bald, and every beard clipped: upon all

the hands shall be cuttings, and upon the loins sackcloth.

48:38 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.

48:39 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.

48:40 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and

shall spread his wings over Moab.

48:41 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.

48:42 And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath

magnified himself against the LORD.

48:43 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, shall be upon thee, O

inhabitant of Moab, saith the LORD.

48:44 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.

48:45 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.

48:46 Woe be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for

thy sons are taken captives, and thy daughters captives.

48:47 Yet will I bring again the captivity of Moab in the latter days,

saith the LORD. Thus far is the judgment of Moab.

49:1 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? 49:2 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.

49:3 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.

49:4 Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, thy flowing valley, O

backsliding daughter? that trusted in her treasures, saying, Who shall

come unto me? 49:5 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.

49:6 And afterward I will bring again the captivity of the children of

Ammon, saith the LORD.

49:7 Concerning Edom, thus saith the LORD of hosts; Is wisdom no more

in Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom

vanished? 49:8 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.

49:9 If grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave some

gleaning grapes? if thieves by night, they will destroy till they have

enough.

49:10 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.

49:11 Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them alive; and

let thy widows trust in me.

49:12 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.

49:13 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.

49:14 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.

49:15 For, lo, I will make thee small among the heathen, and despised

among men.

49:16 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.

49:17 Also Edom shall be a desolation: every one that goeth by it

shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.

49:18 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.

49:19 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? 49:20 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.

49:21 The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the cry the

noise thereof was heard in the Red sea.

49:22 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.

49:23 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.

49:24 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.

49:25 How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy! 49:26

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.

49:27 And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall

consume the palaces of Benhadad.

49:28 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.

49:29 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.

49:30 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.

49:31 Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, that dwelleth without

care, saith the LORD, which have neither gates nor bars, which dwell

alone.

49:32 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.

49:33 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.

49:34 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,

49:35 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will break the bow of

Elam, the chief of their might.

49:36 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.

49:37 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: 49:38 And I will set my throne in

Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, saith the

LORD.

49:39 But it shall come to pass in the latter days, that I will bring

again the captivity of Elam, saith the LORD.

50:1 The word that the LORD spake against Babylon and against the land

of the Chaldeans by Jeremiah the prophet.

50:2 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.

50:3 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.

50:4 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.

50:5 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.

50:6 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.

50:7 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.

50:8 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.

50:9 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.

50:10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her shall be

satisfied, saith the LORD.

50:11 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; 50:12 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.

50:13 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.

50:14 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.

50:15 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.

50:16 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.

50:17 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.

50:18 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.

50:19 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.

50:20 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.

50:21 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.

50:22 A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction.

50:23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how

is Babylon become a desolation among the nations! 50:24 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.

50:25 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.

50:26 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.

50:27 Slay all her bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: woe

unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.

50:28 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.

50:29 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.

50:30 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.

50:31 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.

50:32 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.

50:33 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.

50:34 Their Redeemer is strong; the LORD of hosts is his name: he

shall throughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the land,

and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

50:35 A sword is upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD, and upon the

inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes, and upon her wise men.

50:36 A sword is upon the liars; and they shall dote: a sword is upon

her mighty men; and they shall be dismayed.

50:37 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.

50:38 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.

50:39 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.

50:40 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.

50:41 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.

50:42 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.

50:43 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.

50:44 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? 50:45 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.

50:46 At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and

the cry is heard among the nations.

51:1 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; 51:2 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.

51:3 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.

51:4 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and they

that are thrust through in her streets.

51:5 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.

51:6 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.

51:7 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.

51:8 Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm

for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

51:9 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.

51:10 The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us

declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.

51:11 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.

51:12 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.

51:13 O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures,

thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

51:14 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.

51:15 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.

51:16 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.

51:17 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.

51:18 They are vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their

visitation they shall perish.

51:19 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.

51:20 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;

51:21 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; 51:22

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; 51:23 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.

51:24 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.

51:25 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.

51:26 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.

51:27 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.

51:28 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.

51:29 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.

51:30 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.

51:31 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, 51:32 And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have

burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted.

51:33 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.

51:34 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.

51:35 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.

51:36 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.

51:37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, an

astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant.

51:38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall yell as lions'

whelps.

51:39 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.

51:40 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams

with he goats.

51:41 How is Sheshach taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth

surprised! how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations!

51:42 The sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the

multitude of the waves thereof.

51:43 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.

51:44 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.

51:45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye every

man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.

51:46 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.

51:47 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.

51:48 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.

51:49 As Babylon hath caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at

Babylon shall fall the slain of all the earth.

51:50 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still:

remember the LORD afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.

51:51 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.

51:52 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.

51:53 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.

51:54 A sound of a cry cometh from Babylon, and great destruction from

the land of the Chaldeans: 51:55 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: 51:56

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.

51:57 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.

51:58 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.

51:59 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.

51:60 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon

Babylon, even all these words that are written against Babylon.

51:61 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and

shalt see, and shalt read all these words; 51:62 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.

51:63 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: 51:64 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.

52:1 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.

52:2 And he did that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD, according

to all that Jehoiakim had done.

52:3 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.

52:4 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.

52:5 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

52:6 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.

52:7 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.

52:8 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.

52:9 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.

52:10 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his

eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah.

52:11 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.

52:12 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, 52:13 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: 52:14 And all the army of the

Chaldeans, that were with the captain of the guard, brake down all the

walls of Jerusalem round about.

52:15 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.

52:16 But Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard left certain of the

poor of the land for vinedressers and for husbandmen.

52:17 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.

52:18 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.

52:19 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.

52:20 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.

52:21 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.

52:22 And a chapiter of brass was upon it; and the height of one

chapiter was five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the

chapiters round about, all of brass. The second pillar also and the

pomegranates were like unto these.

52:23 And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side; and all

the pomegranates upon the network were an hundred round about.

52:24 And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and

Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the door: 52:25

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.

52:26 So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard took them, and brought

them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

52:27 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.

52:28 This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive: in

the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty: 52:29 In

the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from

Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons: 52:30 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.

52:31 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.

52:32 And spake kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne

of the kings that were with him in Babylon, 52:33 And changed his

prison garments: and he did continually eat bread before him all the

days of his life.

52:34 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.

The Lamentations of Jeremiah

1:1 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! 1:2 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.

1:3 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.

1:4 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.

1:5 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.

1:6 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.

1:7 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.

1:8 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.

1:9 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.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

1:12 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.

1:13 From above hath he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth

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.

1:14 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.

1:15 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.

1:16 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.

1:17 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.

1:18 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.

1:19 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.

1:20 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.

1:21 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.

1:22 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.

2:1 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! 2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 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.

2:5 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.

2:6 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.

2:7 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.

2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 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.

2:11 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.

2:12 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.

2:13 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? 2:14 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.

2:15 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? 2:16

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.

2:17 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.

2:18 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.

2:19 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.

2:20 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? 2:21

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.

2:22 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.

3:1 I AM the man that hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath.

3:2 He hath led me, and brought me into darkness, but not into light.

3:3 Surely against me is he turned; he turneth his hand against me all

the day.

3:4 My flesh and my skin hath he made old; he hath broken my bones.

3:5 He hath builded against me, and compassed me with gall and

travail.

3:6 He hath set me in dark places, as they that be dead of old.

3:7 He hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my

chain heavy.

3:8 Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.

3:9 He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths

crooked.

3:10 He was unto me as a bear lying in wait, and as a lion in secret

places.

3:11 He hath turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces: he hath

made me desolate.

3:12 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.

3:13 He hath caused the arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.

3:14 I was a derision to all my people; and their song all the day.

3:15 He hath filled me with bitterness, he hath made me drunken with

wormwood.

3:16 He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones, he hath covered

me with ashes.

3:17 And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgat

prosperity.

3:18 And I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:

3:19 Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the

gall.

3:20 My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.

3:21 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

3:22 It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his

compassions fail not.

3:23 They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

3:24 The LORD is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in

him.

3:25 The LORD is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that

seeketh him.

3:26 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the

salvation of the LORD.

3:27 It is good for a man that he bear the yoke of his youth.

3:28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it

upon him.

3:29 He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.

3:30 He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full

with reproach.

3:31 For the LORD will not cast off for ever: 3:32 But though he cause

grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his

mercies.

3:33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

3:34 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth.

3:35 To turn aside the right of a man before the face of the most

High, 3:36 To subvert a man in his cause, the LORD approveth not.

3:37 Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord

commandeth it not? 3:38 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth

not evil and good? 3:39 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man

for the punishment of his sins? 3:40 Let us search and try our ways,

and turn again to the LORD.

3:41 Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens.

3:42 We have transgressed and have rebelled: thou hast not pardoned.

3:43 Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain,

thou hast not pitied.

3:44 Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that our prayer should

not pass through.

3:45 Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of

the people.

3:46 All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.

3:47 Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.

3:48 Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of

the daughter of my people.

3:49 Mine eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any

intermission.

3:50 Till the LORD look down, and behold from heaven.

3:51 Mine eye affecteth mine heart because of all the daughters of my

city.

3:52 Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.

3:53 They have cut off my life in the dungeon, and cast a stone upon

me.

3:54 Waters flowed over mine head; then I said, I am cut off.

3:55 I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.

3:56 Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at

my cry.

3:57 Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon thee: thou

saidst, Fear not.

3:58 O LORD, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast

redeemed my life.

3:59 O LORD, thou hast seen my wrong: judge thou my cause.

3:60 Thou hast seen all their vengeance and all their imaginations

against me.

3:61 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, and all their

imaginations against me; 3:62 The lips of those that rose up against

me, and their device against me all the day.

3:63 Behold their sitting down, and their rising up; I am their

musick.

3:64 Render unto them a recompence, O LORD, according to the work of

their hands.

3:65 Give them sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.

3:66 Persecute and destroy them in anger from under the heavens of the

LORD.

4:1 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.

4:2 The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they

esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!

4:3 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.

4:4 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.

4:5 They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they

that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills.

4:6 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.

4:7 Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk,

they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was of

sapphire: 4:8 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.

4:9 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.

4:10 The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children:

they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.

4:11 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.

4:12 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.

4:13 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, 4:14 They

have wandered as blind men in the streets, they have polluted

themselves with blood, so that men could not touch their garments.

4:15 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.

4:16 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.

4:17 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.

4:18 They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets: our end is

near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come.

4:19 Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they

pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the

wilderness.

4:20 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.

4:21 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.

4:22 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.

5:1 Remember, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our

reproach.

5:2 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.

5:3 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers are as widows.

5:4 We have drunken our water for money; our wood is sold unto us.

5:5 Our necks are under persecution: we labour, and have no rest.

5:6 We have given the hand to the Egyptians, and to the Assyrians, to

be satisfied with bread.

5:7 Our fathers have sinned, and are not; and we have borne their

iniquities.

5:8 Servants have ruled over us: there is none that doth deliver us

out of their hand.

5:9 We gat our bread with the peril of our lives because of the sword

of the wilderness.

5:10 Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible famine.

5:11 They ravished the women in Zion, and the maids in the cities of

Judah.

5:12 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not

honoured.

5:13 They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the

wood.

5:14 The elders have ceased from the gate, the young men from their

musick.

5:15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into

mourning.

5:16 The crown is fallen from our head: woe unto us, that we have

sinned! 5:17 For this our heart is faint; for these things our eyes

are dim.

5:18 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes

walk upon it.

5:19 Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to

generation.

5:20 Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long

time? 5:21 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned;

renew our days as of old.

5:22 But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.

The Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

1:1 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.

1:2 In the fifth day of the month, which was the fifth year of king

Jehoiachin's captivity, 1:3 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.

1:4 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.

1:5 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.

1:6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

1:7 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.

1:8 And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four

sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.

1:9 Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they

went; they went every one straight forward.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

1:12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was

to go, they went; and they turned not when they went.

1:13 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.

1:14 And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a

flash of lightning.

1:15 Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the

earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

1:16 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.

1:17 When they went, they went upon their four sides: and they turned

not when they went.

1:18 As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful;

and their rings were full of eyes round about them four.

1:19 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.

1:20 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.

1:21 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.

1:22 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.

1:23 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.

1:24 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.

1:25 And there was a voice from the firmament that was over their

heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings.

1:26 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.

1:27 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.

1:28 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.

2:1 And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will

speak unto thee.

2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee

unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.

2:5 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.

2:6 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.

2:7 And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear,

or whether they will forbear: for they are most rebellious.

2:8 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.

2:9 And when I looked, behold, an hand was sent unto me; and, lo, a

roll of a book was therein; 2:10 And he spread it before me; and it

was written within and without: and there was written therein

lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

3:1 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat

this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel.

3:2 So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll.

3:3 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.

3:4 And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of

Israel, and speak with my words unto them.

3:5 For thou art not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an

hard language, but to the house of Israel; 3:6 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.

3:7 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.

3:8 Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy

forehead strong against their foreheads.

3:9 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.

3:10 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.

3:11 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.

3:12 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.

3:13 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.

3:14 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.

3:15 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.

3:16 And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of

the LORD came unto me, saying, 3:17 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.

3:18 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.

3:19 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.

3:20 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.

3:21 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.

3:22 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.

3:23 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.

3:24 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.

3:25 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:

3:26 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.

3:27 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.

4:1 Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee,

and pourtray upon it the city, even Jerusalem: 4:2 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.

4:3 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.

4:4 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.

4:5 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.

4:6 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.

4:7 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem,

and thine arm shall be uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

4:8 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.

4:9 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.

4:10 And thy meat which thou shalt eat shall be by weight, twenty

shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

4:11 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin:

from time to time shalt thou drink.

4:12 And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it

with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.

4:13 And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat

their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them.

4:14 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.

4:15 Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's

dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

4:16 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: 4:17 That they may want bread and water, and be astonied

one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.

5:1 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.

5:2 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.

5:3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy

skirts.

5:4 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.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 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; 5:8

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.

5:9 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.

5:10 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.

5:11 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.

5:12 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.

5:13 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.

5:14 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.

5:15 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.

5:16 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: 5:17 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.

6:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 6:2 Son of man, set

thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,

6:3 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.

6:4 And your altars shall be desolate, and your images shall be

broken: and I will cast down your slain men before your idols.

6:5 And I will lay the dead carcases of the children of Israel before

their idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

6:6 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.

6:7 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know

that I am the LORD.

6:8 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.

6:9 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.

6:10 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.

6:11 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.

6:12 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.

6:13 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.

6:14 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.

7:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 7:2 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.

7:3 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.

7:4 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.

7:5 Thus saith the Lord GOD; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come.

7:6 An end is come, the end is come: it watcheth for thee; behold, it

is come.

7:7 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.

7:8 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.

7:9 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.

7:10 Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth;

the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.

7:11 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.

7:12 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.

7:13 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.

7:14 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.

7:15 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.

7:16 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.

7:17 All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak as water.

7:18 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.

7:19 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.

7:20 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.

7:21 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.

7:22 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.

7:23 Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city

is full of violence.

7:24 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.

7:25 Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and there shall be

none.

7:26 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.

7:27 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.

8:1 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.

8:2 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.

8:3 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.

8:4 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, according

to the vision that I saw in the plain.

8:5 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.

8:6 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.

8:7 And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked,

behold a hole in the wall.

8:8 Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I

had digged in the wall, behold a door.

8:9 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations

that they do here.

8:10 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.

8:11 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.

8:12 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.

8:13 He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see

greater abominations that they do.

8:14 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.

8:15 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.

8:16 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.

8:17 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.

8:18 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.

9:1 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.

9:2 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.

9:3 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;

9:4 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.

9:5 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: 9:6

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.

9:7 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.

9:8 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? 9:9 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.

9:10 And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have

pity, but I will recompense their way upon their head.

9:11 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.

10:1 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.

10:2 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.

10:3 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the

man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

10:4 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.

10:5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer

court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.

10:6 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.

10:7 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.

10:8 And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand

under their wings.

10:9 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.

10:10 And as for their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if

a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel.

10:11 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.

10:12 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.

10:13 As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O

wheel.

10:14 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.

10:15 And the cherubims were lifted up. This is the living creature

that I saw by the river of Chebar.

10:16 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.

10:17 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.

10:18 Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of

the house, and stood over the cherubims.

10:19 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.

10:20 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.

10:21 Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and

the likeness of the hands of a man was under their wings.

10:22 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.

11:1 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.

11:2 Then said he unto me, Son of man, these are the men that devise

mischief, and give wicked counsel in this city: 11:3 Which say, It is

not near; let us build houses: this city is the caldron, and we be the

flesh.

11:4 Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man.

11:5 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.

11:6 Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled

the streets thereof with the slain.

11:7 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.

11:8 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you,

saith the Lord GOD.

11:9 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you

into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.

11:10 Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of

Israel; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

11:11 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: 11:12 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.

11:13 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? 11:14 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

11:15 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.

11:16 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.

11:17 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.

11:18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the

detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from

thence.

11:19 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: 11:20 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.

11:21 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.

11:22 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.

11:23 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.

11:24 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.

11:25 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the

LORD had shewed me.

12:1 The word of the LORD also came unto me, saying, 12:2 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.

12:3 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.

12:4 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.

12:5 Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.

12:6 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.

12:7 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.

12:8 And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

12:9 Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house,

said unto thee, What doest thou? 12:10 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.

12:11 Say, I am your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done

unto them: they shall remove and go into captivity.

12:12 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.

12:13 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.

12:14 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.

12:15 And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall scatter

them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.

12:16 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.

12:17 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 12:18 Son of

man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling

and with carefulness; 12:19 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.

12:20 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.

12:21 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 12:22 Son of man,

what is that proverb that ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The

days are prolonged, and every vision faileth? 12:23 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.

12:24 For there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering

divination within the house of Israel.

12:25 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.

12:26 Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying.

12:27 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.

12:28 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.

13:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 13:2 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; 13:3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets,

that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing! 13:4 O Israel,

thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

13:5 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.

13:6 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.

13:7 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? 13:8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have

spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you,

saith the Lord GOD.

13:9 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.

13:10 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 morter: 13:11 Say unto them which

daub it with untempered morter, that it shall fall: there shall be an

overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a

stormy wind shall rend it.

13:12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you,

Where is the daubing wherewith ye have daubed it? 13:13 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.

13:14 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with

untempered morter, 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.

13:15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them

that have daubed it with untempered morter, and will say unto you, The

wall is no more, neither they that daubed it; 13:16 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.

13:17 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, 13:18 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? 13:19 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? 13:20 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.

13:21 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.

13:22 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:

13:23 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.

14:1 Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before

me.

14:2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 14:3 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? 14:4 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;

14:5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because

they are all estranged from me through their idols.

14:6 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.

14:7 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: 14:8 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.

14:9 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.

14:10 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; 14:11 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.

14:12 The word of the LORD came again to me, saying, 14:13 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: 14:14 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.

14:15 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: 14:16 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.

14:17 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: 14:18 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.

14:19 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: 14:20 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.

14:21 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?

14:22 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.

14:23 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.

15:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 15:2 Son of man,

what is the vine tree more than any tree, or than a branch which is

among the trees of the forest? 15:3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do

any work? or will men take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?

15:4 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? 15:5 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? 15:6 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.

15:7 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.

15:8 And I will make the land desolate, because they have committed a

trespass, saith the Lord GOD.

16:1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 16:2 Son of man,

cause Jerusalem to know her abominations, 16:3 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.

16:4 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.

16:5 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.

16:6 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.

16:7 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.

16:8 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.

16:9 Then washed I thee with water; yea, I throughly washed away thy

blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil.

16:10 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.

16:11 I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy

hands, and a chain on thy neck.

16:12 And I put a jewel on thy forehead, and earrings in thine ears,

and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

16:13 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.

16:14 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.

16:15 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.

16:16 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.

16:17 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, 16:18 And tookest thy broidered

garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil and mine

incense before them.

16:19 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.

16:20 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, 16:21 That thou

hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass

through the fire for them? 16:22 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.

16:23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto

thee! saith the LORD GOD;) 16:24 That thou hast also built unto thee

an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.

16:25 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.

16:26 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy

neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to

provoke me to anger.

16:27 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.

16:28 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.

16:29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of

Canaan unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied therewith.

16:30 How weak is thine heart, saith the LORD GOD, seeing thou doest

all these things, the work of an imperious whorish woman; 16:31 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; 16:32 But as a wife that

committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!

16:33 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.

16:34 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.

16:35 Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD: 16:36 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; 16:37 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.

16:38 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.

16:39 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.

16:40 They shall also bring up a company against thee, and they shall

stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords.

16:41 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.

16:42 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.

16:43 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.

16:44 Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use this proverb

against thee, saying, As is the mother, so is her daughter.

16:45 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.

16:46 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.

16:47 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.

16:48 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.

16:49 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.

16:50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me:

therefore I took them away as I saw good.

16:51 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.

16:52 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.

16:53 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: 16:54 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.

16:55 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.

16:56 For thy sister Sodom was not mentioned by thy mouth in the day

of thy pride, 16:57 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.

16:58 Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the

LORD.

16:59 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.

16:60 Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days

of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.

16:61 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.

16:62 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know

that I am the LORD: 16:63 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.

17:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 17:2 Son of man,

put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel; 17:3

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: 17:4 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.

17:5 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.

17:6 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.

17:7 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.

17:8 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.

17:9 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.

17:10 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.

17:11 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 17:12 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; 17:13 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: 17:14 That the kingdom might be base, that it might not

lift itself up, but that by keeping of his covenant it might stand.

17:15 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? 17:16 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.

17:17 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: 17:18 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.

17:19 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.

17:20 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.

17:21 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.

17:22 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: 17:23 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.

17:24 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.

18:1 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying, 18:2 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? 18:3 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, ye shall not have

occasion any more to use this proverb in Israel.

18:4 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.

18:5 But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right, 18:6

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, 18:7

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; 18:8 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, 18:9 Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my

judgments, to deal truly; he is just, he shall surely live, saith the

Lord GOD.

18:10 If he beget a son that is a robber, a shedder of blood, and that

doeth the like to any one of these things, 18:11 And that doeth not

any of those duties, but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and

defiled his neighbour's wife, 18:12 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, 18:13

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.

18:14 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, 18:15

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, 18:16 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, 18:17 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.

18:18 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.

18:19 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.

18:20 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.

18:21 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.

18:22 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be

mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall

live.

18:23 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?

18:24 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.

18:25 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? 18:26 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.

18:27 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.

18:28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his

transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall

not die.

18:29 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?

18:30 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.

18:31 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? 18:32 For I have no pleasure in the death

of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn yourselves, and

live ye.

19:1 Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel,

19:2 And say, What is thy mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions,

she nourished her whelps among young lions.

19:3 And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion, and

it learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.

19:4 The nations also heard of him; he was taken in their pit, and

they brought him with chains unto the land of Egypt.

19:5 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.

19:6 And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion,

and learned to catch the prey, and devoured men.

19:7 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.

19:8 Then the nations set against him on every side from the

provinces, and spread their net over him: he was taken in their pit.

19:9 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.

19:10 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.

19:11 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.

19:12 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.

19:13 And now she is planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty

ground.

19:14 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.

20:1 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.

20:2 Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying, 20:3 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.

20:4 Wilt thou judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge them? cause

them to know the abominations of their fathers: 20:5 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; 20:6 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: 20:7 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.

20:8 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.

20:9 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.

20:10 Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt,

and brought them into the wilderness.

20:11 And I gave them my statutes, and shewed them my judgments, which

if a man do, he shall even live in them.

20:12 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.

20:13 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.

20:14 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted

before the heathen, in whose sight I brought them out.

20:15 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; 20:16 Because

they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but

polluted my sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.

20:17 Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither

did I make an end of them in the wilderness.

20:18 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: 20:19 I am the LORD your God; walk

in my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them; 20:20 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.

20:21 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.

20:22 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.

20:23 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; 20:24 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.

20:25 Wherefore I gave them also statutes that were not good, and

judgments whereby they should not live; 20:26 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.

20:27 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.

20:28 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.

20:29 Then I said unto them, What is the high place whereunto ye go?

And the name whereof is called Bamah unto this day.

20:30 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? 20:31 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.

20:32 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.

20:33 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: 20:34 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.

20:35 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and

there will I plead with you face to face.

20:36 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.

20:37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you

into the bond of the covenant: 20:38 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.

20:39 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.

20:40 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.

20:41 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.

20:42 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.

20:43 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.

20:44 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.

20:45 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 20:46 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; 20:47 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.

20:48 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it

shall not be quenched.

20:49 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! they say of me, Doth he not speak

parables? 21:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 21:2

Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop thy word toward

the holy places, and prophesy against the land of Israel, 21:3 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.

21:4 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: 21:5 That all flesh may know

that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it shall

not return any more.

21:6 Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of thy loins;

and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.

21:7 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.

21:8 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 21:9 Son of man,

prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, A sword, a sword is

sharpened, and also furbished: 21:10 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.

21:11 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.

21:12 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.

21:13 Because it is a trial, and what if the sword contemn even the

rod? it shall be no more, saith the Lord GOD.

21:14 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.

21:15 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.

21:16 Go thee one way or other, either on the right hand, or on the

left, whithersoever thy face is set.

21:17 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury

to rest: I the LORD have said it.

21:18 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying, 21:19 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.

21:20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the

Ammonites, and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.

21:21 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.

21:22 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.

21:23 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.

21:24 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.

21:25 And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come,

when iniquity shall have an end, 21:26 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.

21:27 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.

21:28 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: 21:29 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.

21:30 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.

21:31 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.

21:32 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.

22:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 22:2 Now,

thou son of man, wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city?

yea, thou shalt shew her all her abominations.

22:3 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.

22:4 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.

22:5 Those that be near, and those that be far from thee, shall mock

thee, which art infamous and much vexed.

22:6 Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their

power to shed blood.

22:7 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.

22:8 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my

sabbaths.

22:9 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.

22:10 In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee

have they humbled her that was set apart for pollution.

22:11 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.

22:12 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.

22:13 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.

22:14 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.

22:15 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in

the countries, and will consume thy filthiness out of thee.

22:16 And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of

the heathen, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

22:17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 22:18 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.

22:19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become

dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of

Jerusalem.

22:20 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.

22:21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my

wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst therof.

22:22 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.

22:23 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 22:24 Son of man,

say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon

in the day of indignation.

22:25 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.

22:26 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.

22:27 Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the

prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

22:28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered morter, seeing

vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD,

when the LORD hath not spoken.

22:29 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.

22:30 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.

22:31 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.

23:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 23:2 Son of man,

there were two women, the daughters of one mother: 23:3 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.

23:4 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.

23:5 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on

her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbours, 23:6 Which were clothed

with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men,

horsemen riding upon horses.

23:7 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.

23:8 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.

23:9 Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into

the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.

23:10 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.

23:11 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.

23:12 She doted upon the Assyrians her neighbours, captains and rulers

clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them

desirable young men.

23:13 Then I saw that she was defiled, that they took both one way,

23:14 And that she increased her whoredoms: for when she saw men

pourtrayed upon the wall, the images of the Chaldeans pourtrayed with

vermilion, 23:15 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:

23:16 And as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doted upon them,

and sent messengers unto them into Chaldea.

23:17 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.

23:18 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.

23:19 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.

23:20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is as the flesh

of asses, and whose issue is like the issue of horses.

23:21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in

bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

23:22 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; 23:23 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.

23:24 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.

23:25 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.

23:26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy

fair jewels.

23:27 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.

23:28 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: 23:29 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.

23:30 I will do these things unto thee, because thou hast gone a

whoring after the heathen, and because thou art polluted with their

idols.

23:31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give

her cup into thine hand.

23:32 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.

23:33 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup

of astonishment and desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.

23:34 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.

23:35 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.

23:36 The LORD said moreover unto me; Son of man, wilt thou judge

Aholah and Aholibah? yea, declare unto them their abominations; 23:37

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.

23:38 Moreover this they have done unto me: they have defiled my

sanctuary in the same day, and have profaned my sabbaths.

23:39 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.

23:40 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, 23:41 And satest upon a stately bed, and a table prepared

before it, whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oil.

23:42 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.

23:43 Then said I unto her that was old in adulteries, Will they now

commit whoredoms with her, and she with them? 23:44 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.

23:45 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.

23:46 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will bring up a company upon

them, and will give them to be removed and spoiled.

23:47 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.

23:48 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all

women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.

23:49 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.

24:1 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, 24:2 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.

24:3 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: 24:4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, even every good

piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill it with the choice bones.

24:5 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.

24:6 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.

24:7 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; 24:8

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.

24:9 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city! I will

even make the pile for fire great.

24:10 Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and spice it

well, and let the bones be burned.

24:11 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.

24:12 She hath wearied herself with lies, and her great scum went not

forth out of her: her scum shall be in the fire.

24:13 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.

24:14 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.

24:15 Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 24:16 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.

24:17 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.

24:18 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.

24:19 And the people said unto me, Wilt thou not tell us what these

things are to us, that thou doest so? 24:20 Then I answered them, The

word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 24:21 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.

24:22 And ye shall do as I have done: ye shall not cover your lips,

nor eat the bread of men.

24:23 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.

24:24 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.

24:25 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, 24:26 That he that escapeth in that day shall come unto

thee, to cause thee to hear it with thine ears? 24:27 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.

25:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 25:2 Son of man,

set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them; 25:3

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; 25:4

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.

25:5 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.

25:6 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; 25:7 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.

25:8 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Moab and Seir do say,

Behold, the house of Judah is like unto all the heathen; 25:9

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, 25:10 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.

25:11 And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that

I am the LORD.

25:12 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; 25:13 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.

25:14 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.

25:15 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; 25:16 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.

25:17 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.

26:1 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, 26:2 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: 26:3 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.

26:4 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.

26:5 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.

26:6 And her daughters which are in the field shall be slain by the

sword; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

26:7 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.

26:8 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.

26:9 And he shall set engines of war against thy walls, and with his

axes he shall break down thy towers.

26:10 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.

26:11 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.

26:12 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.

26:13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound

of thy harps shall be no more heard.

26:14 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.

26:15 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? 26:16 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.

26:17 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! 26:18 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.

26:19 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; 26:20 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; 26:21 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.

27:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 27:2 Now, thou

son of man, take up a lamentation for Tyrus; 27:3 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.

27:4 Thy borders are in the midst of the seas, thy builders have

perfected thy beauty.

27:5 They have made all thy ship boards of fir trees of Senir: they

have taken cedars from Lebanon to make masts for thee.

27:6 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.

27:7 Fine linen with broidered 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.

27:8 The inhabitants of Zidon and Arvad were thy mariners: thy wise

men, O Tyrus, that were in thee, were thy pilots.

27:9 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.

27:10 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.

27:11 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.

27:12 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.

27:13 Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they were thy merchants: they traded

the persons of men and vessels of brass in thy market.

27:14 They of the house of Togarmah traded in thy fairs with horses

and horsemen and mules.

27:15 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.

27:16 Syria was thy merchant by reason of the multitude of the wares

of thy making: they occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and

broidered work, and fine linen, and coral, and agate.

27:17 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.

27:18 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.

27:19 Dan also and Javan going to and fro occupied in thy fairs:

bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

27:20 Dedan was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots.

27:21 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they occupied with thee in

lambs, and rams, and goats: in these were they thy merchants.

27:22 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.

27:23 Haran, and Canneh, and Eden, the merchants of Sheba, Asshur, and

Chilmad, were thy merchants.

27:24 These were thy merchants in all sorts of things, in blue

clothes, and broidered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with

cords, and made of cedar, among thy merchandise.

27:25 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.

27:26 Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: the east wind

hath broken thee in the midst of the seas.

27:27 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.

27:28 The suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

27:29 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; 27:30 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: 27:31 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.

27:32 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? 27:33 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.

27:34 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.

27:35 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.

27:36 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt be

a terror, and never shalt be any more.

28:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 28:2 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: 28:3 Behold, thou art

wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:

28:4 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten

thee riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures: 28:5

By thy great wisdom and by thy traffick hast thou increased thy

riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches: 28:6

Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast set thine heart

as the heart of God; 28:7 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.

28:8 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.

28:9 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.

28:10 Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of

strangers: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

28:11 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 28:12 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.

28:13 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.

28:14 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.

28:15 Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast

created, till iniquity was found in thee.

28:16 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.

28:17 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.

28:18 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.

28:19 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.

28:20 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 28:21 Son of

man, set thy face against Zidon, and prophesy against it, 28:22 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.

28:23 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.

28:24 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.

28:25 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.

28:26 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.

29:1 In the tenth year, in the tenth month, in the twelfth day of the

month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 29:2 Son of man, set

thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and

against all Egypt: 29:3 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.

29:4 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.

29:5 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.

29:6 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.

29:7 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.

29:8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring a sword

upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee.

29:9 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.

29:10 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.

29:11 No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall

pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years.

29:12 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.

29:13 Yet thus saith the Lord GOD; At the end of forty years will I

gather the Egyptians from the people whither they were scattered:

29:14 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.

29:15 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.

29:16 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.

29:17 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, 29:18 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: 29:19

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.

29:20 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.

29:21 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.

30:1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 30:2 Son of man,

prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Howl ye, Woe worth the day!

30:3 For the day is near, even the day of the LORD is near, a cloudy

day; it shall be the time of the heathen.

30:4 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.

30:5 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.

30:6 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.

30:7 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.

30:8 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.

30:9 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.

30:10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt

to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.

30:11 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.

30:12 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.

30:13 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.

30:14 And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set fire in Zoan, and

will execute judgments in No.

30:15 And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I

will cut off the multitude of No.

30:16 And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No

shall be rent asunder, and Noph shall have distresses daily.

30:17 The young men of Aven and of Pibeseth shall fall by the sword:

and these cities shall go into captivity.

30:18 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.

30:19 Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that

I am the LORD.

30:20 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, 30:21 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.

30:22 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.

30:23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will

disperse them through the countries.

30:24 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.

30:25 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.

30:26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse

them among the countries; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

31:1 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, 31:2 Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his

multitude; Whom art thou like in thy greatness? 31:3 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.

31:4 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.

31:5 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.

31:6 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.

31:7 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches:

for his root was by great waters.

31:8 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.

31:9 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.

31:10 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; 31:11 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.

31:12 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.

31:13 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all

the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches: 31:14 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.

31:15 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.

31:16 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.

31:17 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.

31:18 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.

32:1 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, 32:2 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.

32:3 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.

32:4 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.

32:5 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys

with thy height.

32:6 I will also water with thy blood the land wherein thou swimmest,

even to the mountains; and the rivers shall be full of thee.

32:7 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.

32:8 All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and

set darkness upon thy land, saith the Lord GOD.

32:9 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.

32:10 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.

32:11 For thus saith the Lord GOD; The sword of the king of Babylon

shall come upon thee.

32:12 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.

32:13 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.

32:14 Then will I make their waters deep, and cause their rivers to

run like oil, saith the Lord GOD.

32:15 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.

32:16 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.

32:17 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, 32:18

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.

32:19 Whom dost thou pass in beauty? go down, and be thou laid with

the uncircumcised.

32:20 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.

32:21 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.

32:22 Asshur is there and all her company: his graves are about him:

all of them slain, fallen by the sword: 32:23 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.

32:24 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.

32:25 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.

32:26 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.

32:27 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.

32:28 Yea, thou shalt be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised, and

shalt lie with them that are slain with the sword.

32:29 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.

32:30 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.

32:31 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.

32:32 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.

33:1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 33:2 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: 33:3 If when he seeth the

sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

33:4 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.

33:5 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.

33:6 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.

33:7 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.

33:8 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.

33:9 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.

33:10 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? 33:11 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? 33:12 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.

33:13 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.

33:14 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; 33:15 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.

33:16 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.

33:17 Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the Lord is not

equal: but as for them, their way is not equal.

33:18 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and

committeth iniquity, he shall even die thereby.

33:19 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is

lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

33:20 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.

33:21 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.

33:22 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.

33:23 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 33:24 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.

33:25 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? 33:26 Ye stand upon your sword, ye

work abomination, and ye defile every one his neighbour's wife: and

shall ye possess the land? 33:27 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.

33:28 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.

33:29 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.

33:30 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.

33:31 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.

33:32 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.

33:33 And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall

they know that a prophet hath been among them.

34:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 34:2 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? 34:3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill

them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

34:4 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.

34:5 And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: and they

became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

34:6 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.

34:7 Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD; 34:8 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; 34:9 Therefore, O ye

shepherds, hear the word of the LORD; 34:10 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.

34:11 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, will both search

my sheep, and seek them out.

34:12 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.

34:13 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.

34:14 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.

34:15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith

the Lord GOD.

34:16 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.

34:17 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.

34:18 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? 34:19 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.

34:20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, even I,

will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.

34:21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed

all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;

34:22 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a

prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.

34:23 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.

34:24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince

among them; I the LORD have spoken it.

34:25 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.

34:26 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.

34:27 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.

34:28 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.

34:29 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.

34:30 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.

34:31 And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your

God, saith the Lord GOD.

35:1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 35:2 Son of

man, set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it, 35:3

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.

35:4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou

shalt know that I am the LORD.

35:5 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: 35:6

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.

35:7 Thus will I make mount Seir most desolate, and cut off from it

him that passeth out and him that returneth.

35:8 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.

35:9 I will make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not

return: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

35:10 Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two

countries shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the LORD was

there: 35:11 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.

35:12 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.

35:13 Thus with your mouth ye have boasted against me, and have

multiplied your words against me: I have heard them.

35:14 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will

make thee desolate.

35:15 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.

36:1 Also, thou son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and

say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD: 36:2 Thus

saith the Lord GOD; Because the enemy hath said against you, Aha, even

the ancient high places are ours in possession: 36:3 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: 36:4 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; 36:5 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.

36:6 Prophesy 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: 36:7

Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I have lifted up mine hand, Surely

the heathen that are about you, they shall bear their shame.

36:8 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.

36:9 For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall

be tilled and sown: 36:10 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: 36:11 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.

36:12 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.

36:13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they say unto you, Thou land

devourest up men, and hast bereaved thy nations: 36:14 Therefore thou

shalt devour men no more, neither bereave thy nations any more, saith

the Lord GOD.

36:15 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.

36:16 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 36:17 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.

36:18 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: 36:19 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.

36:20 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.

36:21 But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had

profaned among the heathen, whither they went.

36:22 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.

36:23 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.

36:24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out

of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.

36:25 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.

36:26 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.

36:27 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.

36:28 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.

36:29 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.

36:30 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.

36:31 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.

36:32 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.

36:33 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.

36:34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate

in the sight of all that passed by.

36:35 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.

36:36 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.

36:37 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.

36:38 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.

37:1 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, 37:2 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.

37:3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I

answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest.

37:4 Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto

them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

37:5 Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause

breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: 37:6 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.

37:7 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.

37:8 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.

37:9 Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, 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.

37:10 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.

37:11 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.

37:12 Therefore prophesy 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.

37:13 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, 37:14 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.

37:15 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 37:16 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: 37:17 And join them one to another

into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.

37:18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee,

saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these? 37:19 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.

37:20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand

before their eyes.

37:21 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: 37:22 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.

37:23 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.

37:24 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.

37:25 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.

37:26 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.

37:27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God,

and they shall be my people.

37:28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel,

when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

38:1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 38:2 Son of man,

set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of

Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, 38:3 And say, Thus saith

the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of

Meshech and Tubal: 38:4 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: 38:5

Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and

helmet: 38:6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the

north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee.

38:7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy

company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

38:8 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.

38:9 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.

38:10 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: 38:11 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, 38:12 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.

38:13 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?

38:14 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? 38:15 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: 38:16 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.

38:17 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? 38:18 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.

38:19 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; 38:20 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.

38:21 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.

38:22 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.

38:23 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.

39:1 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: 39:2 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: 39:3 And I

will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows

to fall out of thy right hand.

39:4 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.

39:5 Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith

the Lord GOD.

39:6 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.

39:7 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.

39:8 Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this is

the day whereof I have spoken.

39:9 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: 39:10 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.

39:11 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.

39:12 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them,

that they may cleanse the land.

39:13 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.

39:14 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.

39:15 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.

39:16 And also the name of the city shall be Hamonah. Thus shall they

cleanse the land.

39:17 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.

39:18 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.

39:19 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.

39:20 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.

39:21 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.

39:22 So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God

from that day and forward.

39:23 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.

39:24 According to their uncleanness and according to their

transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.

39:25 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; 39:26 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.

39:27 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; 39:28 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.

39:29 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.

40:1 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.

40:2 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.

40:3 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.

40:4 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.

40:5 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.

40:6 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.

40:7 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.

40:8 He measured also the porch of the gate within, one reed.

40:9 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the

posts thereof, two cubits; and the porch of the gate was inward.

40:10 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.

40:11 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate, ten

cubits; and the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.

40:12 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.

40:13 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.

40:14 He made also posts of threescore cubits, even unto the post of

the court round about the gate.

40:15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of

the porch of the inner gate were fifty cubits.

40:16 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.

40:17 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.

40:18 And the pavement by the side of the gates over against the

length of the gates was the lower pavement.

40:19 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.

40:20 And the gate of the outward court that looked toward the north,

he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

40:21 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.

40:22 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.

40:23 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.

40:24 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.

40:25 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.

40:26 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.

40:27 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.

40:28 And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he

measured the south gate according to these measures; 40:29 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.

40:30 And the arches round about were five and twenty cubits long, and

five cubits broad.

40:31 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.

40:32 And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he

measured the gate according to these measures.

40:33 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.

40:34 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.

40:35 And he brought me to the north gate, and measured it according

to these measures; 40:36 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.

40:37 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.

40:38 And the chambers and the entries thereof were by the posts of

the gates, where they washed the burnt offering.

40:39 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.

40:40 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.

40:41 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.

40:42 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.

40:43 And within were hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and

upon the tables was the flesh of the offering.

40:44 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.

40:45 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.

40:46 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.

40:47 So he measured the court, an hundred cubits long, and an hundred

cubits broad, foursquare; and the altar that was before the house.

40:48 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.

40:49 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.

41:1 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.

41:2 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.

41:3 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.

41:4 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.

41:5 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.

41:6 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.

41:7 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.

41:8 I saw also the height of the house round about: the foundations

of the side chambers were a full reed of six great cubits.

41:9 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.

41:10 And between the chambers was the wideness of twenty cubits round

about the house on every side.

41:11 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.

41:12 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.

41:13 So he measured the house, an hundred cubits long; and the

separate place, and the building, with the walls thereof, an hundred

cubits long; 41:14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of

the separate place toward the east, an hundred cubits.

41:15 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; 41:16 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; 41:17 To that

above the door, even unto the inner house, and without, and by all the

wall round about within and without, by measure.

41:18 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; 41:19 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.

41:20 From the ground unto above the door were cherubims and palm

trees made, and on the wall of the temple.

41:21 The posts of the temple were squared, and the face of the

sanctuary; the appearance of the one as the appearance of the other.

41:22 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.

41:23 And the temple and the sanctuary had two doors.

41:24 And the doors had two leaves apiece, two turning leaves; two

leaves for the one door, and two leaves for the other door.

41:25 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.

41:26 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.

42:1 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.

42:2 Before the length of an hundred cubits was the north door, and

the breadth was fifty cubits.

42:3 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.

42:4 And before the chambers was a walk to ten cubits breadth inward,

a way of one cubit; and their doors toward the north.

42:5 Now the upper chambers were shorter: for the galleries were

higher than these, than the lower, and than the middlemost of the

building.

42:6 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.

42:7 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.

42:8 For the length of the chambers that were in the utter court was

fifty cubits: and, lo, before the temple were an hundred cubits.

42:9 And from under these chambers was the entry on the east side, as

one goeth into them from the utter court.

42:10 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.

42:11 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.

42:12 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.

42:13 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.

42:14 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.

42:15 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.

42:16 He measured the east side with the measuring reed, five hundred

reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

42:17 He measured the north side, five hundred reeds, with the

measuring reed round about.

42:18 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the

measuring reed.

42:19 He turned about to the west side, and measured five hundred

reeds with the measuring reed.

42:20 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.

43:1 Afterward he brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh

toward the east: 43:2 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.

43:3 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.

43:4 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the

gate whose prospect is toward the east.

43:5 So the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court;

and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house.

43:6 And I heard him speaking unto me out of the house; and the man

stood by me.

43:7 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 carcases of their kings in their high places.

43:8 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.

43:9 Now let them put away their whoredom, and the carcases of their

kings, far from me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.

43:10 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.

43:11 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.

43:12 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.

43:13 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.

43:14 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.

43:15 So the altar shall be four cubits; and from the altar and upward

shall be four horns.

43:16 And the altar shall be twelve cubits long, twelve broad, square

in the four squares thereof.

43:17 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.

43:18 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.

43:19 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.

43:20 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.

43:21 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.

43:22 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.

43:23 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.

43:24 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.

43:25 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.

43:26 Seven days shall they purge the altar and purify it; and they

shall consecrate themselves.

43:27 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.

44:1 Then he brought me back the way of the gate of the outward

sanctuary which looketh toward the east; and it was shut.

44:2 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.

44:3 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.

44:4 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.

44:5 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.

44:6 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, 44:7 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.

44:8 And ye have not kept the charge of mine holy things: but ye have

set keepers of my charge in my sanctuary for yourselves.

44:9 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.

44:10 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.

44:11 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.

44:12 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.

44:13 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.

44:14 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.

44:15 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: 44:16 They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come

near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge.

44:17 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.

44:18 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.

44:19 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.

44:20 Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to

grow long; they shall only poll their heads.

44:21 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the

inner court.

44:22 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.

44:23 And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy

and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the

clean.

44:24 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.

44:25 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.

44:26 And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.

44:27 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.

44:28 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.

44:29 They shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the

trespass offering: and every dedicated thing in Israel shall be

theirs.

44:30 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.

44:31 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is dead of itself,

or torn, whether it be fowl or beast.

45:1 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.

45:2 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.

45:3 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.

45:4 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.

45:5 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.

45:6 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.

45:7 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.

45:8 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.

45:9 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.

45:10 Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.

45:11 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.

45:12 And the shekel shall be twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and

twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh.

45:13 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: 45:14 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: 45:15

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.

45:16 All the people of the land shall give this oblation for the

prince in Israel.

45:17 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.

45:18 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: 45:19 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.

45:20 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.

45:21 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.

45:22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for

all the people of the land a bullock for a sin offering.

45:23 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.

45:24 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.

45:25 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.

46:1 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.

46:2 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.

46:3 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.

46:4 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.

46:5 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.

46:6 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.

46:7 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.

46:8 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.

46:9 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.

46:10 And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go

in; and when they go forth, shall go forth.

46:11 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.

46:12 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.

46:13 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.

46:14 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.

46:15 Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering, and the

oil, every morning for a continual burnt offering.

46:16 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.

46:17 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.

46:18 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.

46:19 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.

46:20 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.

46:21 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.

46:22 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.

46:23 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.

46:24 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.

47:1 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.

47:2 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.

47:3 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.

47:4 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.

47:5 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.

47:6 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.

47:7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were

very many trees on the one side and on the other.

47:8 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.

47:9 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.

47:10 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.

47:11 But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof shall not

be healed; they shall be given to salt.

47:12 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.

47:13 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.

47:14 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.

47:15 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; 47:16

Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which is between the border of Damascus and

the border of Hamath; Hazarhatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran.

47:17 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.

47:18 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.

47:19 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.

47:20 The west side also shall be the great sea from the border, till

a man come over against Hamath. This is the west side.

47:21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of

Israel.

47:22 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.

47:23 And it shall come to pass, that in what tribe the stranger

sojourneth, there shall ye give him his inheritance, saith the Lord

GOD.

48:1 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.

48:2 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side,

a portion for Asher.

48:3 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west

side, a portion for Naphtali.

48:4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west

side, a portion for Manasseh.

48:5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west

side, a portion for Ephraim.

48:6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the

west side, a portion for Reuben.

48:7 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west

side, a portion for Judah.

48:8 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.

48:9 The oblation that ye shall offer unto the LORD shall be of five

and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

48:10 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.

48:11 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.

48:12 And this oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them

a thing most holy by the border of the Levites.

48:13 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.

48:14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate

the firstfruits of the land: for it is holy unto the LORD.

48:15 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.

48:16 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.

48:17 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.

48:18 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.

48:19 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the

tribes of Israel.

48:20 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.

48:21 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.

48:22 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.

48:23 As for the rest of the tribes, from the east side unto the west

side, Benjamin shall have a portion.

48:24 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west

side, Simeon shall have a portion.

48:25 And by the border of Simeon, from the east side unto the west

side, Issachar a portion.

48:26 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west

side, Zebulun a portion.

48:27 And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west

side, Gad a portion.

48:28 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.

48:29 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.

48:30 And these are the goings out of the city on the north side, four

thousand and five hundred measures.

48:31 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.

48:32 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.

48:33 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.

48:34 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.

48:35 It was round about eighteen thousand measures: and the name of

the city from that day shall be, The LORD is there.

The Book of Daniel

1:1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came

Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.

1:2 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.

1:3 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; 1:4 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.

1:5 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.

1:6 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah,

Mishael, and Azariah: 1:7 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.

1:8 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.

1:9 Now God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the

prince of the eunuchs.

1:10 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.

1:11 Then said Daniel to Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had

set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, 1:12 Prove thy

servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us pulse to eat,

and water to drink.

1:13 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.

1:14 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

1:15 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.

1:16 Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine

that they should drink; and gave them pulse.

1:17 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.

1:18 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.

1:19 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.

1:20 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.

1:21 And Daniel continued even unto the first year of king Cyrus.

2:1 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar

Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and

his sleep brake from him.

2:2 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.

2:3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit

was troubled to know the dream.

2:4 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.

2:5 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.

2:6 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.

2:7 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the

dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

2:8 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would gain

the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

2:9 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.

2:10 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.

2:11 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.

2:12 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded

to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

2:13 And the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain; and

they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain.

2:14 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: 2:15 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.

2:16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give

him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

2:17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to

Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions: 2:18 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.

2:19 Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then

Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

2:20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and

ever: for wisdom and might are his: 2:21 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: 2:22 He

revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the

darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.

2:23 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.

2:24 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.

2:25 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.

2:26 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? 2:27 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; 2:28 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; 2:29 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.

2:30 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.

2:31 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.

2:32 This image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of

silver, his belly and his thighs of brass, 2:33 His legs of iron, his

feet part of iron and part of clay.

2:34 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.

2:35 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.

2:36 This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof

before the king.

2:37 Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath

given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

2:38 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.

2:39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and

another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the

earth.

2:40 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.

2:41 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.

2:42 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.

2:43 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.

2:44 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.

2:45 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.

2:46 Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped

Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet

odours unto him.

2:47 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 couldest reveal this secret.

2:48 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.

2:49 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.

3:1 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.

3:2 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.

3:3 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.

3:4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people,

nations, and languages, 3:5 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: 3:6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth

shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

3:7 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.

3:8 Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused

the Jews.

3:9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for

ever.

3:10 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:

3:11 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be

cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

3:12 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.

3:13 Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury commanded to bring

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before

the king.

3:14 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? 3:15 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? 3:16 Shadrach, Meshach,

and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are

not careful to answer thee in this matter.

3:17 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.

3:18 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.

3:19 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.

3:20 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.

3:21 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.

3:22 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.

3:23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell down

bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

3:24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonied, 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.

3:25 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.

3:26 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.

3:27 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.

3:28 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.

3:29 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.

3:30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the

province of Babylon.

4:1 Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto all people, nations, and languages,

that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

4:2 I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that the high God

hath wrought toward me.

4:3 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.

4:4 I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my

palace: 4:5 I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon

my bed and the visions of my head troubled me.

4:6 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.

4:7 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.

4:8 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, 4:9

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.

4:10 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.

4:11 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached

unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth: 4:12

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.

4:13 I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a

watcher and an holy one came down from heaven; 4:14 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: 4:15 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: 4:16

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.

4:17 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.

4:18 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.

4:19 Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was astonied 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.

4:20 The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose

height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the

earth; 4:21 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: 4:22

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.

4:23 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; 4:24 This is the

interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which

is come upon my lord the king: 4:25 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.

4:26 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.

4:27 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.

4:28 All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.

4:29 At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the

kingdom of Babylon.

4:30 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? 4:31 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.

4:32 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.

4:33 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.

4:34 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: 4:35 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? 4:36 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.

4:37 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.

5:1 Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords,

and drank wine before the thousand.

5:2 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.

5:3 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.

5:4 They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of

brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 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.

5:8 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.

5:9 Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his countenance was

changed in him, and his lords were astonied.

5:10 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: 5:11 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; 5:12 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.

5:13 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? 5:14 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.

5:15 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: 5:16 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.

5:17 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.

5:18 O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a

kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour: 5:19 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.

5:20 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: 5:21 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.

5:22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart,

though thou knewest all this; 5:23 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: 5:24 Then was the part of the hand sent

from him; and this writing was written.

5:25 And this is the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL,

UPHARSIN.

5:26 This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered

thy kingdom, and finished it.

5:27 TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

5:28 PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and

Persians.

5:29 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.

5:30 In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.

5:31 And Darius the Median took the kingdom, being about threescore

and two years old.

6:1 It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom an hundred and twenty

princes, which should be over the whole kingdom; 6:2 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.

6:3 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.

6:4 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.

6:5 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.

6:6 Then these presidents and princes assembled together to the king,

and said thus unto him, King Darius, live for ever.

6:7 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.

6:8 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.

6:9 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

6:10 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.

6:11 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making

supplication before his God.

6:12 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.

6:13 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.

6:14 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.

6:15 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.

6:16 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.

6:17 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.

6:18 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.

6:19 Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste

unto the den of lions.

6:20 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? 6:21 Then said Daniel unto the king, O

king, live for ever.

6:22 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.

6:23 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.

6:24 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.

6:25 Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages,

that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

6:26 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.

6:27 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.

6:28 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign

of Cyrus the Persian.

7:1 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.

7:2 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold,

the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.

7:3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from

another.

7:4 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.

7:5 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.

7:6 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.

7:7 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.

7:8 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.

7:9 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.

7:10 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.

7:11 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.

7:12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion

taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

7:13 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.

7:14 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.

7:15 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and

the visions of my head troubled me.

7:16 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.

7:17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall

arise out of the earth.

7:18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and

possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

7:19 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; 7:20 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.

7:21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and

prevailed against them; 7:22 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.

7:23 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.

7:24 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.

7:25 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.

7:26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his

dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

7:27 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.

7:28 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.

8:1 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.

8:2 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.

8:3 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.

8:4 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.

8:5 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.

8:6 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.

8:7 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.

8:8 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.

8:9 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.

8:10 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.

8:11 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.

8:12 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.

8:13 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? 8:14 And he said

unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the

sanctuary be cleansed.

8:15 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.

8:16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which

called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.

8:17 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.

8:18 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.

8:19 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.

8:20 The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media

and Persia.

8:21 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that

is between his eyes is the first king.

8:22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four

kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

8:23 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.

8:24 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.

8:25 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.

8:26 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.

8:27 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.

9:1 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; 9:2 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.

9:3 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and

supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: 9:4 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; 9:5 We have

sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have

rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:

9:6 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.

9:7 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.

9:8 O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our

princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee.

9:9 To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we

have rebelled against him; 9:10 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.

9:11 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.

9:12 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.

9:13 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.

9:14 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.

9:15 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.

9:16 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.

9:17 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.

9:18 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.

9:19 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.

9:20 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; 9:21 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.

9:22 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am

now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.

9:23 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.

9:24 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.

9:25 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.

9:26 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.

9:27 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.

10:1 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.

10:2 In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks.

10:3 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.

10:4 And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by

the side of the great river, which is Hiddekel; 10:5 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: 10:6 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.

10:7 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.

10:8 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.

10:9 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.

10:10 And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and

upon the palms of my hands.

10:11 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.

10:12 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.

10:13 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.

10:14 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.

10:15 And when he had spoken such words unto me, I set my face toward

the ground, and I became dumb.

10:16 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.

10:17 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.

10:18 Then there came again and touched me one like the appearance of

a man, and he strengthened me, 10:19 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.

10:20 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.

10:21 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.

11:1 Also I in the first year of Darius the Mede, even I, stood to

confirm and to strengthen him.

11:2 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.

11:3 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great

dominion, and do according to his will.

11:4 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.

11:5 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.

11:6 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.

11:7 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: 11:8 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.

11:9 So the king of the south shall come into his kingdom, and shall

return into his own land.

11:10 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.

11:11 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.

11:12 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.

11:13 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.

11:14 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.

11:15 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.

11:16 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.

11:17 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.

11:18 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.

11:19 Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but

he shall stumble and fall, and not be found.

11:20 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.

11:21 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.

11:22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before

him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.

11:23 And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully:

for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.

11:24 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.

11:25 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.

11:26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy

him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.

11:27 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.

11:28 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.

11:29 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the

south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.

11:30 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.

11:31 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.

11:32 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.

11:33 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.

11:34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little

help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

11:35 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.

11:36 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.

11:37 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.

11:38 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.

11:39 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.

11:40 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.

11:41 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.

11:42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the

land of Egypt shall not escape.

11:43 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.

11:44 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.

11:45 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.

12:1 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.

12:2 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.

12:3 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.

12:4 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.

12:5 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.

12:6 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?

12:7 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 sware 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.

12:8 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what

shall be the end of these things? 12:9 And he said, Go thy way,

Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the

end.

12:10 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.

12:11 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.

12:12 Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three

hundred and five and thirty days.

12:13 But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest,

and stand in thy lot at the end of the days.

Hosea

1:1 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.

1:2 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.

1:3 So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which

conceived, and bare him a son.

1:4 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.

1:5 And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow

of Israel, in the valley of Jezreel.

1:6 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.

1:7 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.

1:8 Now when she had weaned Loruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.

1:9 Then said God, Call his name Loammi: for ye are not my people, and

I will not be your God.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

2:1 Say ye unto your brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ruhamah.

2:2 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; 2:3 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.

2:4 And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they be the

children of whoredoms.

2:5 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.

2:6 Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and make a

wall, that she shall not find her paths.

2:7 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.

2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 And now will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers,

and none shall deliver her out of mine hand.

2:11 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new

moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.

2:12 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.

2:13 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 forgat me, saith the LORD.

2:14 Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the

wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her.

2:15 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.

2:16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, that thou shalt call

me Ishi; and shalt call me no more Baali.

2:17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and

they shall no more be remembered by their name.

2:18 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.

2:19 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.

2:20 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt

know the LORD.

2:21 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; 2:22 And

the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they

shall hear Jezreel.

2:23 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.

3:1 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.

3:2 So I bought her to me for fifteen pieces of silver, and for an

homer of barley, and an half homer of barley: 3:3 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.

3:4 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: 3:5 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.

4:1 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.

4:2 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing

adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.

4:3 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.

4:4 Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people are as

they that strive with the priest.

4:5 Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall

fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother.

4:6 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.

4:7 As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will

I change their glory into shame.

4:8 They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on

their iniquity.

4:9 And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish

them for their ways, and reward them their doings.

4:10 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.

4:11 Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.

4:12 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.

4:13 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.

4:14 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.

4:15 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.

4:16 For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD

will feed them as a lamb in a large place.

4:17 Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.

4:18 Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually:

her rulers with shame do love, Give ye.

4:19 The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be

ashamed because of their sacrifices.

5:1 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.

5:2 And the revolters are profound to make slaughter, though I have

been a rebuker of them all.

5:3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim,

thou committest whoredom, and Israel is defiled.

5:4 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.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have

begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their

portions.

5:8 Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, and the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud

at Bethaven, after thee, O Benjamin.

5:9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes

of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be.

5:10 The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound:

therefore I will pour out my wrath upon them like water.

5:11 Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly

walked after the commandment.

5:12 Therefore will I be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of

Judah as rottenness.

5:13 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.

5:14 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.

5:15 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.

6:1 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.

6:2 After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise

us up, and we shall live in his sight.

6:3 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.

6:4 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.

6:5 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.

6:6 For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God

more than burnt offerings.

6:7 But they like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they

dealt treacherously against me.

6:8 Gilead is a city of them that work iniquity, and is polluted with

blood.

6:9 And as troops of robbers wait for a man, so the company of priests

murder in the way by consent: for they commit lewdness.

6:10 I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there is

the whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.

6:11 Also, O Judah, he hath set an harvest for thee, when I returned

the captivity of my people.

7:1 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.

7:2 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.

7:3 They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes

with their lies.

7:4 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.

7:5 In the day of our king the princes have made him sick with bottles

of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorners.

7:6 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.

7:7 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.

7:8 Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake

not turned.

7:9 Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth it not: yea,

gray hairs are here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.

7:10 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.

7:11 Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to

Egypt, they go to Assyria.

7:12 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.

7:13 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.

7:14 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.

7:15 Though I have bound and strengthened their arms, yet do they

imagine mischief against me.

7:16 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.

8:1 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.

8:2 Israel shall cry unto me, My God, we know thee.

8:3 Israel hath cast off the thing that is good: the enemy shall

pursue him.

8:4 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.

8:5 Thy calf, O Samaria, hath cast thee off; mine anger is kindled

against them: how long will it be ere they attain to innocency? 8:6

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.

8:7 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.

8:8 Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles as a

vessel wherein is no pleasure.

8:9 For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass alone by himself:

Ephraim hath hired lovers.

8:10 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.

8:11 Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sin, altars shall be

unto him to sin.

8:12 I have written to him the great things of my law, but they were

counted as a strange thing.

8:13 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.

8:14 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.

9:1 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.

9:2 The floor and the winepress shall not feed them, and the new wine

shall fail in her.

9:3 They shall not dwell in the LORD's land; but Ephraim shall return

to Egypt, and they shall eat unclean things in Assyria.

9:4 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.

9:5 What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of

the LORD? 9:6 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.

9:7 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.

9:8 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.

9:9 They have deeply corrupted themselves, as in the days of Gibeah:

therefore he will remember their iniquity, he will visit their sins.

9:10 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.

9:11 As for Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird, from the

birth, and from the womb, and from the conception.

9:12 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! 9:13 Ephraim, as I saw Tyrus, is planted in a

pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring forth his children to the

murderer.

9:14 Give them, O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them a miscarrying

womb and dry breasts.

9:15 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 revolters.

9:16 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.

9:17 My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto

him: and they shall be wanderers among the nations.

10:1 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.

10:2 Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty: he shall

break down their altars, he shall spoil their images.

10:3 For now they shall say, We have no king, because we feared not

the LORD; what then should a king do to us? 10:4 They have spoken

words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: thus judgment springeth

up as hemlock in the furrows of the field.

10:5 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.

10:6 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.

10:7 As for Samaria, her king is cut off as the foam upon the water.

10:8 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.

10:9 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.

10:10 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.

10:11 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.

10:12 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.

10:13 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.

10:14 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.

10:15 So shall Bethel do unto you because of your great wickedness: in

a morning shall the king of Israel utterly be cut off.

11:1 When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out

of Egypt.

11:2 As they called them, so they went from them: they sacrificed unto

Baalim, and burned incense to graven images.

11:3 I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they

knew not that I healed them.

11:4 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.

11:5 He shall not return into the land of Egypt, and the Assyrian

shall be his king, because they refused to return.

11:6 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his

branches, and devour them, because of their own counsels.

11:7 And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called

them to the most High, none at all would exalt him.

11:8 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.

11:9 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.

11:10 They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when

he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.

11:11 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.

11:12 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.

12:1 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.

12:2 The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish

Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he

recompense him.

12:3 He took his brother by the heel in the womb, and by his strength

he had power with God: 12:4 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; 12:5 Even the LORD God of hosts;

the LORD is his memorial.

12:6 Therefore turn thou to thy God: keep mercy and judgment and wait

on thy God continually.

12:7 He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand: he

loveth to oppress.

12:8 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.

12:9 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.

12:10 I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied

visions, and used similitudes, by the ministry of the prophets.

12:11 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.

12:12 And Jacob fled into the country of Syria, and Israel served for

a wife, and for a wife he kept sheep.

12:13 And by a prophet the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a

prophet was he preserved.

12:14 Ephraim provoked him to anger most bitterly: therefore shall he

leave his blood upon him, and his reproach shall his LORD return unto

him.

13:1 When Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but

when he offended in Baal, he died.

13:2 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.

13:3 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.

13:4 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.

13:5 I did know thee in the wilderness, in the land of great drought.

13:6 According to their pasture, so were they filled; they were

filled, and their heart was exalted; therefore have they forgotten me.

13:7 Therefore I will be unto them as a lion: as a leopard by the way

will I observe them: 13:8 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.

13:9 O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me is thine help.

13:10 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? 13:11 I gave thee a king in mine anger, and took him away in

my wrath.

13:12 The iniquity of Ephraim is bound up; his sin is hid.

13:13 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.

13:14 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.

13:15 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.

13:16 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.

14:1 O israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by

thine iniquity.

14:2 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.

14:3 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.

14:4 I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine

anger is turned away from him.

14:5 I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and

cast forth his roots as Lebanon.

14:6 His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive

tree, and his smell as Lebanon.

14:7 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.

14:8 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.

14:9 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.

Joel

1:1 The word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.

1:2 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? 1:3

Tell ye your children of it, and let your children tell their

children, and their children another generation.

1:4 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 caterpiller eaten.

1:5 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.

1:6 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.

1:7 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.

1:8 Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her

youth.

1:9 The meat offering and the drink offering is cut off from the house

of the LORD; the priests, the LORD's ministers, mourn.

1:10 The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted:

the new wine is dried up, the oil languisheth.

1:11 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.

1:12 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.

1:13 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.

1:14 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, 1:15 Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD

is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

1:16 Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, yea, joy and gladness

from the house of our God? 1:17 The seed is rotten under their clods,

the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn

is withered.

1:18 How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed,

because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made

desolate.

1:19 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.

1:20 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.

2:1 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; 2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as

horsemen, so shall they run.

2:5 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.

2:6 Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall

gather blackness.

2:7 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: 2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 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: 2:11 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?

2:12 Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all

your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

2:13 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.

2:14 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? 2:15 Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a

solemn assembly: 2:16 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.

2:17 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?

2:18 Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.

2:19 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: 2:20 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.

2:21 Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great

things.

2:22 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.

2:23 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.

2:24 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall

overflow with wine and oil.

2:25 And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten,

the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army

which I sent among you.

2:26 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.

2:27 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.

2:28 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: 2:29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in

those days will I pour out my spirit.

2:30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood,

and fire, and pillars of smoke.

2:31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood,

before the great and terrible day of the LORD come.

2:32 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.

3:1 For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring

again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, 3:2 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.

3:3 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.

3:4 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; 3:5 Because ye have taken my silver and my gold, and

have carried into your temples my goodly pleasant things: 3:6 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.

3:7 Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold

them, and will return your recompence upon your own head: 3:8 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.

3:9 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: 3:10

Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruninghooks into spears:

let the weak say, I am strong.

3:11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather

yourselves together round about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come

down, O LORD.

3:12 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.

3:13 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.

3:14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of

the LORD is near in the valley of decision.

3:15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall

withdraw their shining.

3:16 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.

3:17 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.

3:18 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.

3:19 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.

3:20 But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to

generation.

3:21 For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the

LORD dwelleth in Zion.

Amos

1:1 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.

1:2 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.

1:3 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: 1:4 But I will

send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces

of Benhadad.

1:5 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.

1:6 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:

1:7 But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the

palaces thereof: 1:8 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.

1:9 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: 1:10 But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus,

which shall devour the palaces thereof.

1:11 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: 1:12 But I

will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.

1:13 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: 1:14 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: 1:15

And their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together,

saith the LORD.

2:1 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: 2:2 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: 2:3

And I will cut off the judge from the midst thereof, and will slay all

the princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.

2:4 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: 2:5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the

palaces of Jerusalem.

2:6 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; 2:7 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: 2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 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.

2:11 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.

2:12 But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the

prophets, saying, Prophesy not.

2:13 Behold, I am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed that is full

of sheaves.

2:14 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong

shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliver

himself: 2:15 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.

2:16 And he that is courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked

in that day, saith the LORD.

3:1 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, 3:2 You only have I known of all the families of the

earth: therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.

3:3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed? 3:4 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? 3:5 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? 3:6 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? 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD

will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the

prophets.

3:8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken,

who can but prophesy? 3:9 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.

3:10 For they know not to do right, saith the LORD, who store up

violence and robbery in their palaces.

3:11 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.

3:12 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.

3:13 Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord GOD,

the God of hosts, 3:14 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.

3:15 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.

4:1 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.

4:2 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.

4:3 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.

4:4 Come to Bethel, and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression;

and bring your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes after three

years: 4:5 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.

4:6 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.

4:7 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.

4:8 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.

4:9 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.

4:10 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.

4:11 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.

4:12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: and because I will

do this unto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.

4:13 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.

5:1 Hear ye this word which I take up against you, even a lamentation,

O house of Israel.

5:2 The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is

forsaken upon her land; there is none to raise her up.

5:3 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.

5:4 For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, Seek ye me, and

ye shall live: 5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in

the earth, 5:8 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: 5:9 That

strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled

shall come against the fortress.

5:10 They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that

speaketh uprightly.

5:11 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.

5:12 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.

5:13 Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it is

an evil time.

5:14 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.

5:15 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.

5:16 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.

5:17 And in all vineyards shall be wailing: for I will pass through

thee, saith the LORD.

5:18 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.

5:19 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.

5:20 Shall not the day of the LORD be darkness, and not light? even

very dark, and no brightness in it? 5:21 I hate, I despise your feast

days, and I will not smell in your solemn assemblies.

5:22 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.

5:23 Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not

hear the melody of thy viols.

5:24 But let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a

mighty stream.

5:25 Have ye offered unto me sacrifices and offerings in the

wilderness forty years, O house of Israel? 5:26 But ye have borne the

tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of your god,

which ye made to yourselves.

5:27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus,

saith the LORD, whose name is The God of hosts.

6:1 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! 6:2 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?

6:3 Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence

to come near; 6:4 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; 6:5 That chant to the sound of the

viol, and invent to themselves instruments of musick, like David; 6:6

That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief

ointments: but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.

6:7 Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go

captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be

removed.

6:8 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.

6:9 And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house,

that they shall die.

6:10 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.

6:11 For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great

house with breaches, and the little house with clefts.

6:12 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: 6:13 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say,

Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength? 6:14 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.

7:1 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.

7:2 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.

7:3 The LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.

7:4 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.

7:5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall

Jacob arise? for he is small.

7:6 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord

GOD.

7:7 Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the LORD stood upon a wall made by

a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

7:8 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: 7:9

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.

7:10 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.

7:11 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel

shall surely be led away captive out of their own land.

7:12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into

the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there: 7:13 But

prophesy not again any more at Bethel: for it is the king's chapel,

and it is the king's court.

7:14 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

sycomore fruit: 7:15 And the LORD took me as I followed the flock, and

the LORD said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel.

7:16 Now therefore hear thou the word of the LORD: Thou sayest,

Prophesy not against Israel, and drop not thy word against the house

of Isaac.

7:17 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.

8:1 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of

summer fruit.

8:2 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.

8:3 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.

8:4 Hear this, O ye that swallow up the needy, even to make the poor

of the land to fail, 8:5 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? 8:6 That we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a

pair of shoes; yea, and sell the refuse of the wheat? 8:7 The LORD

hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any

of their works.

8:8 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.

8:9 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: 8:10 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.

8:11 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: 8:12 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.

8:13 In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for

thirst.

8:14 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.

9:1 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.

9:2 Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them;

though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down: 9:3 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: 9:4 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.

9:5 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.

9:6 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.

9:7 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?

9:8 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.

9:9 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.

9:10 All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say,

The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us.

9:11 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: 9:12 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.

9:13 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.

9:14 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.

9:15 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.

Obadiah

1:1 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.

1:2 Behold, I have made thee small among the heathen: thou art greatly

despised.

1:3 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? 1:4 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.

1:5 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? 1:6

How are the things of Esau searched out! how are his hidden things

sought up! 1:7 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.

1:8 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? 1:9 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.

1:10 For thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover

thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.

1:11 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.

1:12 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.

1:13 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; 1:14 Neither shouldest thou

have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape;

neither shouldest thou have delivered up those of his that did remain

in the day of distress.

1:15 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.

1:16 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.

1:17 But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be

holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.

1:18 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.

1:19 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.

1:20 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.

1:21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of

Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

Jonah

1:1 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amittai,

saying, 1:2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it;

for their wickedness is come up before me.

1:3 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.

1:4 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.

1:5 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.

1:6 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.

1:7 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.

1:8 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? 1:9 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.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

1:12 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.

1:13 Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring it to the land; but they

could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.

1:14 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.

1:15 So they look up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the

sea ceased from her raging.

1:16 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice

unto the LORD, and made vows.

1:17 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.

2:1 Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,

2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again

toward thy holy temple.

2:5 The waters compassed me about, even to the soul: the depth closed

me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.

2:6 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.

2:7 When my soul fainted within me I remembered the LORD: and my

prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple.

2:8 They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.

2:9 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I

will pay that that I have vowed. Salvation is of the LORD.

2:10 And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon

the dry land.

3:1 And the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying,

3:2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the

preaching that I bid thee.

3:3 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.

3:4 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.

3:5 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.

3:6 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.

3:7 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: 3:8 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.

3:9 Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his

fierce anger, that we perish not? 3:10 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.

4:1 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.

4:2 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.

4:3 Therefore now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for

it is better for me to die than to live.

4:4 Then said the LORD, Doest thou well to be angry? 4:5 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.

4:6 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.

4:7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it

smote the gourd that it withered.

4:8 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.

4:9 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.

4:10 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: 4:11 And should not I spare Nineveh,

that great city, wherein are more then sixscore thousand persons that

cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and also

much cattle?

Micah

1:1 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.

1:2 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.

1:3 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come

down, and tread upon the high places of the earth.

1:4 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.

1:5 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? 1:6 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.

1:7 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.

1:8 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.

1:9 For her wound is incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come

unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.

1:10 Declare ye it not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of

Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.

1:11 Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked:

the inhabitant of Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Bethezel;

he shall receive of you his standing.

1:12 For the inhabitant of Maroth waited carefully for good: but evil

came down from the LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem.

1:13 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.

1:14 Therefore shalt thou give presents to Moreshethgath: the houses

of Achzib shall be a lie to the kings of Israel.

1:15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: he

shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.

1:16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge

thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

2:1 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.

2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 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.

2:5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in

the congregation of the LORD.

2:6 Prophesy ye not, say they to them that prophesy: they shall not

prophesy to them, that they shall not take shame.

2:7 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? 2:8 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.

2:9 The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant

houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.

2:10 Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest: because it is

polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.

2:11 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.

2:12 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.

2:13 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.

3:1 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? 3:2 Who hate

the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them,

and their flesh from off their bones; 3:3 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.

3:4 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.

3:5 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.

3:6 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.

3:7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea,

they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God.

3:8 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.

3:9 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.

3:10 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.

3:11 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.

3:12 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.

4:1 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.

4:2 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.

4:3 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.

4:4 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.

4:5 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.

4:6 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;

4:7 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.

4:8 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.

4:9 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.

4:10 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.

4:11 Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let

her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.

4:12 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.

4:13 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.

5:1 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.

5:2 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.

5:3 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.

5:4 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.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 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.

5:8 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.

5:9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all

thine enemies shall be cut off.

5:10 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: 5:11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and

throw down all thy strong holds: 5:12 And I will cut off witchcrafts

out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no more soothsayers: 5:13 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.

5:14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will

I destroy thy cities.

5:15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen,

such as they have not heard.

6:1 Hear ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou before the

mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

6:2 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.

6:3 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I

wearied thee? testify against me.

6:4 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.

6:5 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.

6:6 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? 6:7 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? 6:8 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? 6:9 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.

6:10 Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the

wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable? 6:11 Shall I count

them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful

weights? 6:12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the

inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue is deceitful in

their mouth.

6:13 Therefore also will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making

thee desolate because of thy sins.

6:14 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.

6:15 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.

6:16 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.

7:1 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits,

as the grapegleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my

soul desired the firstripe fruit.

7:2 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.

7:3 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.

7:4 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.

7:5 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.

7:6 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.

7:7 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my

salvation: my God will hear me.

7:8 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.

7:9 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.

7:10 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.

7:11 In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the

decree be far removed.

7:12 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.

7:13 Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that

dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.

7:14 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.

7:15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will

I shew unto him marvellous things.

7:16 The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they

shall lay their hand upon their mouth, their ears shall be deaf.

7:17 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.

7:18 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.

7:19 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.

7:20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham,

which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

Nahum

1:1 The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.

1:2 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.

1:3 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.

1:4 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the

rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon

languisheth.

1:5 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.

1:6 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.

1:7 The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he

knoweth them that trust in him.

1:8 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the

place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.

1:9 What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end:

affliction shall not rise up the second time.

1:10 For while they be folden together as thorns, and while they are

drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.

1:11 There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the

LORD, a wicked counsellor.

1:12 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.

1:13 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy

bonds in sunder.

1:14 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.

1:15 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.

2:1 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.

2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall justle one

against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they

shall run like the lightnings.

2:5 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.

2:6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be

dissolved.

2:7 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.

2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 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.

2:11 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? 2:12 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.

2:13 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.

3:1 Woe to the bloody city! it is all full of lies and robbery; the

prey departeth not; 3:2 The noise of a whip, and the noise of the

rattling of the wheels, and of the pransing horses, and of the jumping

chariots.

3:3 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: 3:4 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.

3:5 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.

3:6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile,

and will set thee as a gazingstock.

3:7 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? 3:8 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? 3:9 Ethiopia and Egypt were her strength, and it was infinite;

Put and Lubim were thy helpers.

3:10 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.

3:11 Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt

seek strength because of the enemy.

3:12 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.

3:13 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.

3:14 Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into

clay, and tread the morter, make strong the brickkiln.

3:15 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.

3:16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the

cankerworm spoileth, and fleeth away.

3:17 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.

3:18 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.

3:19 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?

Habakkuk

1:1 The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.

1:2 O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! even cry out

unto thee of violence, and thou wilt not save! 1:3 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.

1:4 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth:

for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong

judgment proceedeth.

1:5 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.

1:6 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.

1:7 They are terrible and dreadful: their judgment and their dignity

shall proceed of themselves.

1:8 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.

1:9 They shall come all for violence: their faces shall sup up as the

east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand.

1:10 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.

1:11 Then shall his mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend,

imputing this his power unto his god.

1:12 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.

1:13 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? 1:14 And makest men as the fishes of the sea, as

the creeping things, that have no ruler over them? 1:15 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.

1:16 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto

their drag; because by them their portion is fat, and their meat

plenteous.

1:17 Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually

to slay the nations? 2:1 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 reproved.

2:2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it

plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.

2:3 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.

2:4 Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the

just shall live by his faith.

2:5 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: 2:6 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! 2:7 Shall they not rise up

suddenly that shall bite thee, and awake that shall vex thee, and thou

shalt be for booties unto them? 2:8 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.

2:9 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! 2:10 Thou hast consulted shame to thy house by cutting off

many people, and hast sinned against thy soul.

2:11 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the

timber shall answer it.

2:12 Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a

city by iniquity! 2:13 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? 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with

the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

2:15 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! 2:16 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.

2:17 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.

2:18 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? 2:19 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.

2:20 But the LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep

silence before him.

3:1 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon Shigionoth.

3:2 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.

3:3 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.

3:4 And his brightness was as the light; he had horns coming out of

his hand: and there was the hiding of his power.

3:5 Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at

his feet.

3:6 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.

3:7 I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction: and the curtains of the

land of Midian did tremble.

3:8 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? 3:9 Thy bow was

made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word.

Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers.

3:10 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.

3:11 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.

3:12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst

thresh the heathen in anger.

3:13 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.

3:14 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.

3:15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the

heap of great waters.

3:16 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.

3:17 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: 3:18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I

will joy in the God of my salvation.

3:19 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.

Zephaniah

1:1 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.

1:2 I will utterly consume all things from off the land, saith the

LORD.

1:3 I will consume man and beast; I will consume the fowls of the

heaven, and the fishes of the sea, and the stumbling blocks with the

wicked: and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.

1:4 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; 1:5 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; 1:6 And

them that are turned back from the LORD; and those that have not

sought the LORD, nor enquired for him.

1:7 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.

1:8 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.

1:9 In the same day also will I punish all those that leap on the

threshold, which fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit.

1:10 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.

1:11 Howl, ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are

cut down; all they that bear silver are cut off.

1:12 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.

1:13 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.

1:14 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.

1:15 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, 1:16 A day of the trumpet and alarm

against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

1:17 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.

1:18 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.

2:1 Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not

desired; 2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall

drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.

2:5 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.

2:6 And the sea coast shall be dwellings and cottages for shepherds,

and folds for flocks.

2:7 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.

2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 This shall they have for their pride, because they have

reproached and magnified themselves against the people of the LORD of

hosts.

2:11 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.

2:12 Ye Ethiopians also, ye shall be slain by my sword.

2:13 And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy

Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation, and dry like a

wilderness.

2:14 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.

2:15 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.

3:1 Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!

3:2 She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted

not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God.

3:3 Her princes within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening

wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

3:4 Her prophets are light and treacherous persons: her priests have

polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.

3:5 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.

3:6 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.

3:7 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.

3:8 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.

3:9 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.

3:10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, even the

daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.

3:11 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.

3:12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor

people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.

3:13 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.

3:14 Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice

with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

3:15 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.

3:16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to

Zion, Let not thine hands be slack.

3:17 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.

3:18 I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly,

who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden.

3:19 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.

3:20 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.

Haggai

1:1 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, 1:2 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.

1:3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying, 1:4

Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this

house lie waste? 1:5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts;

Consider your ways.

1:6 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.

1:7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

1:8 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.

1:9 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.

1:10 Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth

is stayed from her fruit.

1:11 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.

1:12 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.

1:13 Then spake Haggai the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message unto

the people, saying, I am with you, saith the LORD.

1:14 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, 1:15 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in

the second year of Darius the king.

2:1 In the seventh month, in the one and twentieth day of the month,

came the word of the LORD by the prophet Haggai, saying, 2:2 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, 2:3 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? 2:4 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: 2:5 According to the

word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my

spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.

2:6 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; 2:7 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.

2:8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

2:9 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.

2:10 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, 2:11 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ask now the priests

concerning the law, saying, 2:12 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.

2:13 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.

2:14 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.

2:15 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: 2:16

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.

2:17 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.

2:18 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.

2:19 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.

2:20 And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and

twentieth day of the month, saying, 2:21 Speak to Zerubbabel, governor

of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth; 2:22 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.

2:23 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.

Zechariah

1:1 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, 1:2 The LORD hath been sore displeased with your

fathers.

1:3 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.

1:4 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.

1:5 Your fathers, where are they? and the prophets, do they live for

ever? 1:6 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.

1:7 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, 1:8 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.

1:9 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.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

1:12 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? 1:13 And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me

with good words and comfortable words.

1:14 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.

1:15 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.

1:16 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.

1:17 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.

1:18 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.

1:19 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.

1:20 And the LORD shewed me four carpenters.

1:21 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.

2:1 I lifted up mine eyes again, and looked, and behold a man with a

measuring line in his hand.

2:2 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.

2:3 And, behold, the angel that talked with me went forth, and another

angel went out to meet him, 2:4 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: 2:5 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.

2:6 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.

2:7 Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of

Babylon.

2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will

dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.

2:11 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.

2:12 And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land,

and shall choose Jerusalem again.

2:13 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out

of his holy habitation.

3:1 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.

3:2 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? 3:3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy

garments, and stood before the angel.

3:4 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.

3:5 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.

3:6 And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua, saying, 3:7 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.

3:8 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.

3:9 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.

3:10 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his

neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree.

4:1 And the angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a

man that is wakened out of his sleep.

4:2 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: 4:3 And two olive trees by it, one upon the

right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof.

4:4 So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying,

What are these, my lord? 4:5 Then the angel that talked with me

answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said,

No, my lord.

4:6 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.

4:7 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.

4:8 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 4:9 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.

4:10 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.

4:11 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? 4:12 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? 4:13 And he answered me and said, Knowest thou

not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.

4:14 Then said he, These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the

LORD of the whole earth.

5:1 Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a

flying roll.

5:2 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.

5:3 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.

5:4 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.

5:5 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.

5:6 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.

5:7 And, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is a

woman that sitteth in the midst of the ephah.

5:8 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.

5:9 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.

5:10 Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these

bear the ephah? 5:11 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.

6:1 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.

6:2 In the first chariot were red horses; and in the second chariot

black horses; 6:3 And in the third chariot white horses; and in the

fourth chariot grisled and bay horses.

6:4 Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What

are these, my lord? 6:5 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.

6:6 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.

6:7 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.

6:8 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.

6:9 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 6:10 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; 6:11 Then take silver and gold,

and make crowns, and set them upon the head of Joshua the son of

Josedech, the high priest; 6:12 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: 6:13 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.

6:14 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.

6:15 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.

7:1 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; 7:2 When they had sent unto the house of God

Sherezer and Regemmelech, and their men, to pray before the LORD, 7:3

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? 7:4 Then came

the word of the LORD of hosts unto me, saying, 7:5 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? 7:6 And when ye did eat, and when

ye did drink, did not ye eat for yourselves, and drink for yourselves?

7:7 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? 7:8 And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying,

7:9 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment,

and shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother: 7:10 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.

7:11 But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and

stopped their ears, that they should not hear.

7:12 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.

7:13 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: 7:14 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.

8:1 Again the word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying, 8:2 Thus

saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy,

and I was jealous for her with great fury.

8:3 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.

8:4 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.

8:5 And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls

playing in the streets thereof.

8:6 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.

8:7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from

the east country, and from the west country; 8:8 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.

8:9 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.

8:10 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.

8:11 But now I will not be unto the residue of this people as in the

former days, saith the LORD of hosts.

8:12 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.

8:13 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.

8:14 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: 8:15 So again have I thought in these days to do well

unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.

8:16 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: 8:17 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.

8:18 And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying, 8:19 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.

8:20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; It shall yet come to pass, that

there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities: 8:21 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.

8:22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD

of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.

8:23 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.

9:1 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.

9:2 And Hamath also shall border thereby; Tyrus, and Zidon, though it

be very wise.

9:3 And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and heaped up silver as

the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets.

9:4 Behold, the LORD will cast her out, and he will smite her power in

the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire.

9:5 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.

9:6 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride

of the Philistines.

9:7 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.

9:8 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.

9:9 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.

9:10 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.

9:11 As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth

thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water.

9:12 Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do

I declare that I will render double unto thee; 9:13 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.

9:14 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.

9:15 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.

9:16 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.

9:17 For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! corn

shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the maids.

10:1 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.

10:2 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.

10:3 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.

10:4 Out of him came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him

the battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.

10:5 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.

10:6 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.

10:7 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.

10:8 I will hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them:

and they shall increase as they have increased.

10:9 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.

10:10 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.

10:11 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.

10:12 And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and they shall walk up

and down in his name, saith the LORD.

11:1 Open thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.

11:2 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.

11:3 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.

11:4 Thus saith the LORD my God; Feed the flock of the slaughter; 11:5

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.

11:6 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.

11:7 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.

11:8 Three shepherds also I cut off in one month; and my soul lothed

them, and their soul also abhorred me.

11:9 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.

11:10 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.

11:11 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.

11:12 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.

11:13 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.

11:14 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, even Bands, that I might

break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.

11:15 And the LORD said unto me, Take unto thee yet the instruments of

a foolish shepherd.

11:16 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.

11:17 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.

12:1 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.

12:2 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.

12:3 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.

12:4 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.

12:5 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.

12:6 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.

12:7 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.

12:8 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.

12:9 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to

destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

12:10 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.

12:11 In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the

mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.

12:12 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; 12:13 The family of the house

of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of Shimei apart, and

their wives apart; 12:14 All the families that remain, every family

apart, and their wives apart.

13:1 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.

13:2 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.

13:3 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.

13:4 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: 13:5 But he shall say, I

am no prophet, I am an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle

from my youth.

13:6 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.

13:7 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.

13:8 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.

13:9 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.

14:1 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be

divided in the midst of thee.

14:2 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.

14:3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as

when he fought in the day of battle.

14:4 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.

14:5 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.

14:6 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not

be clear, nor dark: 14:7 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.

14:8 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.

14:9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall

there be one LORD, and his name one.

14:10 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.

14:11 And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter

destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.

14:12 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.

14:13 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.

14:14 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.

14:15 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.

14:16 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.

14:17 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.

14:18 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.

14:19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all

nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

14:20 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.

14:21 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.

Malachi

1:1 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.

1:2 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, 1:3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage

waste for the dragons of the wilderness.

1:4 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.

1:5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be

magnified from the border of Israel.

1:6 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? 1:7 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.

1:8 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.

1:9 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.

1:10 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.

1:11 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.

1:12 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.

1:13 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.

1:14 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.

2:1 And now, O ye priests, this commandment is for you.

2:2 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.

2:3 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.

2:4 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that

my covenant might be with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

2:5 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.

2:6 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.

2:7 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.

2:8 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.

2:9 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.

2:10 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? 2:11 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.

2:12 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.

2:13 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.

2:14 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.

2:15 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.

2:16 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.

2:17 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? 3:1 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.

3:2 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:

3:3 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.

3:4 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto

the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in former years.

3:5 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.

3:6 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are

not consumed.

3:7 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? 3:8 Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say,

Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

3:9 Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole

nation.

3:10 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.

3:11 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.

3:12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a

delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

3:13 Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye

say, What have we spoken so much against thee? 3:14 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? 3:15 And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work

wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered.

3:16 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.

3:17 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.

3:18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the

wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

4:1 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.

4:2 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.

4:3 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.

4:4 Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto

him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

4:5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of

the great and dreadful day of the LORD: 4:6 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.

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