THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET JEREMIAH.

1. Thus saith the Lord, the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin:
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.
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.
4. Then the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,
5. Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou earnest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.
6. Then said I, Ah, Lord God! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child.
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.
8. ¶ Be not afraid of their faces: for I am with thee to deliver thee, saith the Lord.
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.
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.
11. ¶ Moreover of the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree.
12. Then said the Lord unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.
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.
14. Then the Lord said unto me, Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.
15. For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, even all the kings of the north, 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.
16. And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, which have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.
17. ¶ Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not afraid at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.
18. For, behold, I have made thee this day a defended city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, and against the people of the land.
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.
20. Moreover the word of the Lord came to me, saying,
21. Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the Lord: I remember the, the
kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wastener after me in the wilderness, in a land that was not thy land.

2 For I have been holy unto the Lord from my youth, and am made mine heritage an abomination.

3 Jerusalem, and all the families of the house of Israel:

4 Hear ye the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and a seed shall be born unto thee, that shall make the wilderness a fruitful place, and shall make the desert to flourish like the garden of Eden, and to the glory of the holy Jerusalem.

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?

6 Neither said they, Where is the Lord that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, a land of darkness and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?

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.

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 the things of the heathen, and I was grieved with their doings.

9 Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith the Lord, and with your children's children will I plead.

10 For pass over to the islands of Chittim, and see; and there shall thy wonder be: this shall be thy wonder, O daughter of Jerusalem.

11 Gather not together, O daughter of Judah; for I will make thee as an heifer in the wilderness, and as a wild ass in a land of drought.

12 Thus saith the Lord, Where is the vineyard that I hath digged? where is the place of my special portion? where is thine inheritance of Saron?

13 For I have planted thee as an elder plant, of a choice seed: thou art become the king unto the fruitful places, and a glorious high throne of princes were the families of the house of Israel.

14 Thus saith the Lord, In a day of trouble and none helpeth; and in the day of your punishment that ye have not known, and in the year of your visitation that ye have not understood,

15 The abominations of a woman according to her statutes are in her midst, by reason of all her sin; with which she hath played whoredom.

16 Therefore as the heathen people have cast them out, so have I cast them out of mine land: for every heathen that is round about them shall be an abomination unto them; they have cast them out with reproaches.

17 ¶ Israel, go into Egypt; and Jericho ye shall see; and there shall ye know what I will give Israel, when I come to him, that I may tread upon the heathen under the soles of my feet.

18 And she shall not return into Egypt any more, for the Lord hath spake: I will not any more be merciful unto thy seed and to thy doings: neither shall I give of thy corn and of thy oil and of thy wages into the hand of thy other lovers.

19 Yet I will digest them with a sacrifice in my land, and with the fat of the sacrifice of my burnt offerings; for my people shall go up out of the land of Egypt, and the house of Judah shall dwell among the heathen, and they shall dwell in safety, and none shall make them afraid.

20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, that Jacob shall be forsaken, and Israel shall stand alone.

21 For the Lord shall deliver Jacob out of all his burdens, and shall make him as a strong city; and the honour of the Jacob shall be exalted in that day.

22 And the name of the city shall be called, The Lord hath sworn by his holy temple, even Zion.

23 The Lord will make him as a shelter of the sun, and a throne of the dews of Zion: in his tabernacle shall the Lord hide him; and shall provide for his sanctuary.

24 And it shall be for a glory and for a joy for the bone of Jacob, and for the tabernacles of Joseph, and for the children of Israel, when they shall return from the people of the everlasting kingdoms, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from all the kingdoms of the heathen which Khananyah hath carried away from before the Lord.

25 Know therefore that I am he; the Lord thy God from the land of Egypt, and from the house of thine oppressors.

26 And I am the Lord thy God; which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, that thou shouldst not make any abomination unto the Lord thy God.

27 ¶ Thus saith the Lord, Learn not hence the abominations of the heathen, which they have made to themselves before me; and ye shall not do so: ye shall not consecrate unto yourselves any of the abominations of the heathen.

28 ¶ For the children of Israel shall abide a long time in the land of Egypt, and also in the land of Canaan; and shall even pollute themselves with all the abominations of the heathen, whom I will give before them; and I will be angry with them, and I will forsake them.

29 Then shall the children of Israel go in the midst of their enemies, into a land of servitude and into a land of captivity.

30 And they shall serve the heathen, and they shall serve their gods, after which their fathers served in the land of Egypt, and they shall obey them.

31 And the Lord will bring upon them the works of the heathen for evil, because they shall not hearken unto him, and because they shall resist his words, after which his people have gone in;</ref>
hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.

36 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.

37 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, Ario, and save us.

38 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.

39 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against me, saith the Lord.

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

41 ¶ O generation, see ye the word of the Lord. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, Thy works are lovely; we will come no more unto thee.

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

43 Why trammest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.

44 And so 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.

45 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.

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

47 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thin hand upon thine head: for the Lord hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.

3 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.

4 They have turned their 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.

5 Therefore the showers have been withheld, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hast a whoredome, thou refusedst to be ashamed.

6 Will thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou art the guide of my youth?

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

8 ¶ 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.

9 And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me, and I will return to thee. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it.

10 And I said, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and purged her a bill; she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot.

11 And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me, and I will return to thee. And her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.

12 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah has not turned to me: But she returned, she went back to play the harlot.
And the Lord said unto me, Backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

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

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.

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:

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

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 turn their hand unto it, neither shall they pine after it.

17 At that time shall Jerusalem be called 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.

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.

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.

20 Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the Lord.

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.

22 For two hundred years did I look for Israel, and they proceeded to deal treacherously like the heathen.

23 For they sware by him whose name was not called upon, and they profaned the holy things which were hallowed.

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

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.

26 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.

27 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.

28 For thus saith the Lord to the men of Judah and to Jerusalem, Behold, your fathers have sinned against the Lord, even your sons also.

29 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.

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1 Heb. cause my coun- enances to fall upon you.

2 Or, know.
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.

6 Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and great destruction.

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.

8 For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the Lord is not turned back from us.

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.

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11 At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, A hot wind from the high places in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, even toward the south; and the heat thereof is the fierce anger of the Lord.

12 Even in a full wind from these places shall come unto me: now also will I give sentence against them.

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 spoilt.

14 Therefore, and for Jerusalem shall be washed with wickedness, that thine heart may be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?

15 For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth evil from the head of Ephraim.

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18 Thy way and thy doings have procured these things unto thee; this is thy wickedness; for it is bitter, for it reacheth unto thine heart.

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 mine heartifiert; and my reins are troubled, and my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.

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23 I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was waste and void; and the heavens, and they had no light.

24 I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly.

25 I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the beasts of the field were fled.

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.

27 I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was a desolation; yea, I will turn back from it.

28 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.
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 dost thou make thy eyes fair; thy lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life.

For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail; the anguish as 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.

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.

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O LORD, are not thine eyes upon that which I do? thou hast stricken them, but they have not grieved; thou hast consumed them, but they have refused to return.

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For they are not stricken with smarting, nor are they made foolish; for they are wise 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 thrown back the cords.

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

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

22 Ye fear not me? saith the Lord; will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed the earth in order, and determined all the ends thereof, which cannot pass: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it;

23 But this people hath a revolting a rebellious heart; they are revolte and gone.

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25 Thy iniquities have turned these things away, and thy sins have withheld good from thee.

26 For among my people there is a vine: they lay wait, as he that seteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.

27 A cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

28 They are waxen fat, they sham: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the causes, the cause of the fatherless, yet the right of the needy do they not judge.

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

30 ¶ A wonderful and horrible thing is committed; in the presence of Jacob the Lord envieth not.

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 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 Beth-haccerem: for evil appeareth out of the north, and great destruction.

2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delightful woman.

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.

4 And she shall bury her dead by day, and all her kings in the midst of her; she shall also cast all her graven images into the house of the king of Babylon.

5 ¶ For thus saith the Lord of hosts, 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.

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.

8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest thou depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord of hosts, They shall thoroughly glean the remnant of Israel as a vine: turn back thine hand as a grapether to the baskets.

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.

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30 ¶ A wonderful and horrible thing is committed; in the presence of Jacob the Lord envieth not.

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 Flee for safety, ye children of Benjamin, out of the midst of Jerusalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and raise up a signal on Beth-haccerem: for evil appeareth out of the north, and great destruction.

2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delightful woman.

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.

4 And she shall bury her dead by day, and all her kings in the midst of her; she shall also cast all her graven images into the house of the king of Babylon.

5 ¶ For thus saith the Lord of hosts, 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.

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.

8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest thou depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord of hosts, They shall thoroughly glean the remnant of Israel as a vine: turn back thine hand as a grapether to the baskets.

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.

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, and the very young and the little one.

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.

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 saith, Peace, peace; when there is no peace.

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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 that time I visit them they shall be cast down, saith the Lord.

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.

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18 Therefore hear, ye nations, and know, O congregation, what is among them.

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.

20 To what purpose cometh there to me incense from Sheba, and sweet bread from a far country? your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me.

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.

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.

23 They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they shall march upon horse, and ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O daughter of Zion.

24 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands are feeble: our heart melteth within us, because of the water whereby the enemy shall come against us, O daughter of Zion.

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

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

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

28 They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

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30 Reprobate silver shall men call them, because the Lord hath rejected them.

31 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, 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.

3 Thrice 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.

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Behold, even I have seen it, saith the Lord. 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. 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; 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 your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh, 15 And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim. 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 hearken thee. 17 ¶ Seest thou not what they do in the cities ofJudah and in the streets ofJerusalem? 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. 19 Do they provoke me to anger? saith the Lord: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces? 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. 21 ¶ Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Take ye your burnt offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat flesh. 22 For I spoke 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: 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. 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. 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: 26 Yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but * hardened their neck: they did worse than their fathers. 27 Therefore thou shalt speak all these words unto them; but they will not hearken unto thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee. of the Lord, the temple of the Lord, the 5 temple of the Lord, are these. 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Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day, I have sent unto you all my servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending them: yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff: they did worse than their fathers. 2 And 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.
28 And 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.

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.

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 burn their sons and their daughters there in the fire: which I commanded them not, neither came it into my heart.

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.

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.

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 bride and the voice of the bridegroom: for the land shall be desolate.

8 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:

3 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.

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

4 Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return?

5 Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back as a people that are broken? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

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.

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 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.

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? *Therefore will I give their wives into others, and their fields to them that shall inherit them: for every one from the least even unto the greatest, *every one that is greedy after gain, *even unto the priest every one that dealeth falsely.

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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, said the Lord.
13 ¶ If 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 he that is burned that I have given them shall pass away from them.
14 Why do we sit still? assemble you, and let us enter into the defenced cities, and let us be as the runner: for thus saith the Lord our God hath put us to silence, and given us water of gall to drink, because we have sinned against the Lord.
15 We looked for peace, but no good came; and for a time of health, and none was found.
16 The snorting of his horses was heard from *Dam: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones; for they are come, and have devoured the land, and it is as it was, the city, and those that dwell therein.
17 For, behold, I will send serpents, cockatrices, among you, which will not be charmed, and they shall bite thee, saith the Lord.
18 ¶ When I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart is faint in me.
19 For 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?
20 The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.
21 For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt; I am black; astonishment hath taken hold on me.
22 Is there no balm in Gilead? is there no physo; sian there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?
23 O Lord, why hast thou made me to dwell in the midst of the sea? and in the midst of the desert.
24 For the daughter of my people is gone up upon young camels upon the high places of the city, to meet the harvester.
25 ¶ Take ye heed every one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly swerve every neighbour will walk with slanderers.
26 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.
27 Thine habitation is in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, saith the Lord.
28 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?
29 Their tongue is as an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: one speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but in his heart he layeth his wait.
30 ¶ Shall I not visit them for these things? saith the Lord: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?
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33 ¶ For the beasts of the field are shamed by the tumult, and the birds of the heaven are terrified at his voice, and *are turned unto his ways: so shall it be with thee, O daughter of Jerusalem.
34 ¶ If I will utterly consume you, 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.
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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 it?

13 And the Lord saith, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not hearkened to my voice, neither walked therein;

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

15 Therefore 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."

16 For all 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.

17 Then 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.

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

19 For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are they pained! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast us out.

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.

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.

22 Speak, Thus saith the Lord, Even the cars of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the harvest after the harvestman, and none shall gather them.

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:

24 But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exerciseth lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for thus says in these thing I delight, saith the Lord.

25 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will punish all those which are circumscribed with the uncircumcised;

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.

27 For they are unconfined; and all the house of Israel are uncircumcised in the heart.

10 Hear ye the word which the Lord speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:

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. For they have cut down the tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe.

4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.

5 They are upright as the palm tree, *but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot speak: they do not evil, neither also is it in them to do good.

6 Forasmuch as there is none like unto thee, O Lord; thou art great, and thy name is great in might.

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.
8 But they are together brutish and foolish: the stock is a doctrine of vanities. 9 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Ophir, the work of the workmen, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple is their clothing: they are all the work of cunning men. 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. 11 Thus shall ye say unto him, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens. 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. 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. 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. 15 They are vanity, and the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish. 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. 17 Gather up thy wares out of the land, O inhabitant of the fortress. 18 For thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will sling out the inhabitants of the land at this time; and I will distress them, that they may find it so. 19 ¶ Woe is me for my wound! my wound is grievous: but I said, Truly this is a grief, and I will bear it no longer. 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. 21 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the Lorn: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flock shall be scattered. 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. 23 O Lorn, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man who walketh to direct his steps. 24 O Lorn, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing. 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 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying. 2 Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem; 3 And say thou unto them, Thus saith the Lorn God of Israel; I cursed the man that heareth not the words of this covenant; 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 ye God; 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 Lorn.
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.

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.

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.

9 And the Lord said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

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 Baal. O Lord of hosts of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers.

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 hear them.

12 Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go, and cry unto the gods unto whom they have done after all the abominations which they have done against themselves; and they shall not save them at all in the time of their trouble.

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, and have erected a shameful thing, even altars to burn incense unto Baal.

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.

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?

16 When thou dost evil, thou then rejoicest.

17 The Lord called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit; with the noise of a great tumult be as the kindling fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.

18 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.

19 And the Lord hath given me knowledge of it, and I knew it: then thou shewedst me thy doings.

20 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.

21 Therefore thus saith the Lord of the men of Anathoth, that seek thy life, saying, Prophecy not in the name of the Lord, that thou die not by our hand.

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:

23 And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will restore them according to their doings.

12 Righteous art thou, O Lord, when I plead with thee, with the mouth of thy judgment: Wherefore do all the way of the wicked prosper? wherefore are all they happy that deal very treacherously?
2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root; yea, they bring forth fruit: thou art near in their mouth, and far from their reins.

3 But thou, O Lord, knowest me: thou hast known my sitting and my going, both when I sat alone, and when thy presence was as the beech trees about me: pull them out like a shepherd for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

4 How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field cease to flower? the beasts of the field shall be consumed, and the birds; because they said, He shall not see our last end.

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?

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.

7 If I have forsaken mine house, I have left mine heritage; and I have given the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies. Mine heritage is unto me as a lion in the forest: it is a ravenous buzzard unto me: therefore have I hated it.

8 Mine heritage is unto me as an >azure bird, the birds round about are against her; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to devour.

9 My pastures have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my portion under foot, they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

10 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.

11 The spoils 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 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.

13 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 the land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.

14 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and will bring again the captivity of their brethren, and will cause them to return into their land: every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.

15 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.

16 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the Lord.

17 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.

18 So I got a girdle according to the word of the Lord, and put it on my loins.

19 And the word of the Lord came unto me the second time, saying, 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.

20 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the Lord commanded me.

21 And it came to pass after many days, that the
Lord said unto me, Arise, go to Ephratah, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.

Then I went to Ephratah, 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.

9 Thus the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,

10 Thus saith the Lord, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.

11 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.

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 have enough bread and drinks? and thou shalt say, Ye shall not have that which is good.

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 princes, and the governors, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness.

14 And I will dash them into one another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the Lord: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them.

15 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.

16 Say unto the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down: for your principalities shall come down, even the crown of your glory.

17 The sons of the south shall be Volunteers, and none shall open them: Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried captive.

18 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north: where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?

19 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?

20 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.

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

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25 Thus is thy lot, the portion of thine measures from me, saith the Lord; because thou hast forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.

26 Therefore will I discover thy skins upon thy flesh, and thy leopard spots shall appear.

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?
The word of the Lord that came to Jeremiah concerning the death of his mother.

2 Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish, they are black; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up.

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.

4 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no rain upon the earth, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.

5 Yea, the hand also calved in the field, and forsook it, because there was no grass.

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.

7 ¶ O Lord, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many: we have sinned against thee.

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

9 Why shouldst 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.

10 ¶ Thus saith the Lord unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained from their iniquity:

11 Therefore, behold, the Lord will bring upon thee such as are ready to destroy this land, wasting and cutting off, even until it be no ways left.

12 wilt thou then say in thine heart, Wherefore? For the multitude of thine iniquities are all round about thee, and thy heels do melt with fear.

13 And the Lord said unto me, Pray not for this people for their good.

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

15 ¶ 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 an assured peace in this place.

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

17 Therefore thus saith the Lord concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, I sent them not, neither have I commanded them; neither spake I unto them: they prophesy unto you a lying vision, and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.

18 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.

19 And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out into 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.

20 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.

21 Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? hath thy soul loathed Zion? why hast thou smitten it, and cut it through with every evil? why are they broken through, and sorrowful to me?

22 Thou mightiest have healed all their wounds; yet说 higher, and said, Go about into a land of refuge, and be a stay to them.

23 We acknowledge, O Lord, our wickedness, and the iniquity of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee.

24 Do not, O Lord, for thy name's sake, do not
disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember, break not thy covenant with us.
22 Are there any among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? art thou not he, O LORD our God? therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these things.
15 Then said the LORD unto me, *Though* Moses and *Saul* stood before me, yet my *moot* could not be toward this people: *cast* them out of my sight, and let them go forth.
2 And it shall come to pass, if they *say* unto thee, *Where shall we go forth?* then shalt thou 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.
8 And I will *appoint* over them four *kinds,* saith the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs to *eat,* and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy.
9 And I will cause it to pass, that they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.
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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.
12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel? *1 Thess. 2:13* 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.
14 And I will make thee pass with thine enemies into a land which thou knowest not: for a fire is kindled in mine anger, which shall burn upon thee.
15 ¶ O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in thy long-suffering: know that for thy sake I have suffered persecution of many nations: *Rev. 10:19* 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.*
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.
18 Pass not by me with my soul, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that *fail?*
Therefore thus saith the Lord, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt stand before me: and if thou takest forth the precious from the vial, thou shalt be as my mouth; let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.

And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brazen 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.

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

The word of the Lord came also unto me, saying,

Thus shalt thou say unto them, ‘What vision is this?’

And I will give you back your dead bodies, and bring you forth out of the desolate land: and I will give you the vineyard of Israel.

Therefore thus saith the Lord, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, that thou mayest stand before me: and if thou takest forth the precious from the vial, thou shalt be as my mouth; let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.

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The word of the Lord came also unto me, saying, ‘Thou shalt not take a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.’

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;

For thus saith the Lord, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament nor bear mourners; for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith the Lord, even lovingkindness and mercies.

Both great and 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:

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.

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

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

And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and shalt say unto them, ‘Wherefore say ye of the Lord that he pronounced all this great evil against us? or what is that grievousness which he hath pronounced against us?’

Then shalt thou say unto them, ‘A nation hath risen up against my people, strong and without number; and there is none that helpeth: now therefore seek the Lord, and take knowledge of his voice; he saith, “I have set a ambush for this people, to cut off mine offspring and mine heritage, to give them over to be consumed, and their wives also, and their sons and their daughters; I will bring a sword upon them, that shall not return from side to side;when I begin to execute vengeance, I will lay it waste; because the Lord hath spoken it.’

Therefore will I cast you out of this land that ye know not, neither ye nor your fathers; and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; ye shall also go into an land, where ye know not that I will bring you forth.

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.

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Therefore behold, the 4 days come, saith the Lord, that it shall no more be said, As the Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; 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.

Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish in them; and after will I 1 Reb. 1:19. and the end is death. 2 See Isa. 11:7. 3 Or, where Is. 1. 7. 4 Or, sub- stitution.
send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from the mountain and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.
17 For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hidden from me.
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.
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 naught but lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.
20 Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods? 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 The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron, and with the point of a diamond: it is graven upon the tablet of their heart, and upon the horns of their king.
2 Whilst their children remember their altars and their groves by the green trees upon the high hills.
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.
4 And thou, even thou, 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.
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.

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, a salt land and not inhabited.
7 ¶ Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.
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.
9 ¶ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

10 I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his doings.
11 As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right; in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool.
12 A glorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary, because he hath forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living waters.
13 Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise.
14 Behold, they say unto me, Where is the word of the Lord? let it come now.
15 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.
16 He be not as I, that bringeth vanity into the day of evil.

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

20 And say ye unto the people, 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.

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

22 Therefore thus saith the Lord: Ask ye now among the heathen, who hath heard such things as this? the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing.
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JEREMIAH.

18 Shall the snow of Lebanon fail from the rock of the field? or shall the cold waters that flow down from afar be dried up?

15 For my people have committed two iniquities, yea, they have gathered to巴st the ancient ways: they are filled with the violence of vanity; and they have caused them to stumble in their ways, in the ancient paths, to walk in bypaths, in a way not cast up;

16 To make their land desolate, and a perpetual hiss; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.

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

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.

19 Give heed to me, O LORD, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me;

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

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.

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

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.

10 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;

2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hi- nmon, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee.

3 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, o kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall ring.

4 Because they have forsaken me, and have hasted to make 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;

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:*

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.

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

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

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
singe and in the straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.

10 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee.

11 Then shall ye 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.

12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the Lord, and to the inhabitants thereof, even make this city as Topheth.

13 And all 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.

14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whom the Lord had sent to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the Lord's house; and said to all the people,

15 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city all the uttermost祸恶 that I have pronounced against it; because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.

16 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;

17 And 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.

18 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 Magor-missabib.

19 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 Moreover I will deliver all the.strength of this city, and all the labours of the boca 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 away.

21 And thou, Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall go out into captivity: and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shall be buried with the dead men of Judah, whom the Lord shall have slain in the land of Babylon.

22 And thine eyes shall behold that all the place where I brought thee forth, and caused thee to go out from thence, and went in to thy fathers, all the places whither I cast thee away shall ye see no more any more.

23 Therefore thus saith the Lord; If thou wilt return, then shall thy captivity be turned: but if thou wilt not return, then shalt thou continue in thy captivity, saith the Lord.

24 Thus saith the Lord, Return ye unto me, for I have smote you not; it was the people of the high places that smote you not.

25 Now therefore return ye unto me, saith the Lord; I am returned unto you; return ye unto me; for ye are cozened with your own heart and with your own eyes.

26 For thus saith the Lord; Rejoice not, yehabitants of Zion; for joy shall be taken away from you, and gladness from the king's house.

27 Therefore hear ye the word of the Lord; Behold, I give you over into the hand of a better than you, and I give you over into the hand of a people that shall spoil you, and eat you up like the dragon; and they shall make you desolate, and naked, and lean; and the elegants out of you, and leave you desolate:

28 And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be a spoil, and shall be taken captive, and carried unto Babylon: and ye shall be a proverb and a byword among all the peoples; and ye shall be a terror unto all the inhabited places of the earth.

29 And it shall come to pass, when I visit upon him the things that I have prepared for him, that I will make the edifice of his house like the garden of Eden; and I will prepare a candle for him, that he may be a light upon his house for evermore. 10 For he saith, I will raise up the house of Jacob, and plant them, that he may regard them as a city.

30 Neither shall they cause their children to go down to the subterraneous stock, neither shall they cause their daughters to go up to the housetop; for I will shatter the windows of heaven, and I will pour out the inhabitants of Jerusalem upon mount Zion, and upon Jerusalem: so shall ye know that I am the Lord. 10 For he saith, I will raise up the house of Jacob, and plant them, that he may regard them as a city.

31 The Lord of hosts saith; Or, because there shall be no place else.
12 But, O Lord of hosts, that trust the righteous, and seest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause, and caused my cause to be heard.

13 Sing unto the Lord, praise ye the Lord: for he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.

14 *Curse the day wherein I was born, let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.

15 Cursed be the man that brought tidings to my father saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.

16 And let that man be as the cities which the Lord overtook, and repented not: and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noon tide;

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.

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

21 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the Lord, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Zedekiah the son of Malchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,

2 Enquire, I pray thee, of the Lord: 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.

3 ¶ Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:

4 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, 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.

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.

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

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 his hand of his 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.

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.

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.

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.

11 ¶ And touching the house of the king of Judah, say, Hear ye the word of the Lord;

12 But, O Lord of hosts, that trust the righteous, that seest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause, and caused my cause to be heard.

13 Sing unto the Lord, praise ye the Lord: for he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.

14 *Curse the day wherein I was born, let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.

15 Cursed be the man that brought tidings to my father saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.

16 And let that man be as the cities which the Lord overtook, and repented not: and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noon tide;

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.

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

21 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the Lord, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Zedekiah the son of Malchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,

2 Enquire, I pray thee, of the Lord: for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; peradventure the Lord will deal with us according to all his wondrous works, that he may go up from us.

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

4 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, 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 gather them into the midst of this city.

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14 But I will punish you according to the "fruit of your dough, saith the Lord: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.

22 Thus said the Lord: Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word:

2 And say, Hear the word of the Lord, O king of Judah, that sitteth upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and all that be of thine house.

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

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.

5 But if ye will not hear these words, I swear by myself, saith the Lord, that this house shall become a desolation.

6 For thus saith the Lord unto the king's house, unto the house of David, and unto the priests, and to the prophets: Behold, I will bring upon you such things as your eyes see not, neither shall your eyes see them.

7 And ye shall say, For these things be they come upon us; wherefore, Lord, is thine anger grown hot against us?" To this they answered, As thy word was, so be it.

8 And the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying, Go down to the potter's house, and there I will speak unto thee.

9 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work before me; and the vessel was marred in the hand of the potter: therefore made he it again another work, though it was marred in his hand.

10 And the word of the Lord came to me, saying,

11 Go down now to the potter's house, and there I will speak unto thee.

12 And the word of the Lord came to me, saying, What seekest thou? And I said, I seek a potter's vessel: and he said unto me, Can I hide that from the Lord? as the vessel is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, saith the Lord. Therefore, go to the potter's house, and there I will speak unto thee.

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them be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness. 33 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! 23 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; 24 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand of those whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldaeans. 25 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.

26 But to the land wherunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return. 27 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 the land which they know not? 28 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord. 29 Thus saith the Lord, Write ye this man childlessness, and he shall not prosper in his estate: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

232 * Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the Lord. 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. 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. 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.

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. 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.

† Or, currying. 2 Or, n. 2 Or, violence.

7 Therefore, behold, * the days come, saith the Lord, that The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; 8 But, The Lord liveth, which brought up and went in from the land of Egypt, and from out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

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 over come, because of the Lord, and because of the words of his holiness. 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. 11 For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in thy house have I found their wickedness, saith the Lord. 12 Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on in darkness, and fall therein; for I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, saith the Lord. 13 And I have seen folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied Baal, and caused Israel to err. 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, they be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness. O inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, how greatly to be pitied shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail! 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; 25 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand of those whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldaeans. 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.

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ants thereof as Gomorrah.

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 Jeru-
salem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.

16 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophecy unto you: they do speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the Lord.

17 They say still unto them that despiest 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.

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?

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.

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 understand it perfectly.

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

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

23 A God at hand, saith the Lord, and not a God afar off.

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.

25 I have heard what the prophets said, that prophecy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

26 How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophecy lies? yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

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.

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 chalk to the wheel? saith the Lord.

29 Is not my word like as fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?

30 Therefore behold the prophets, saith the Lord, that steal my words every one from his neighbour.

31 Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the Lord, that use their tongues, and say, He saith. Behold, I am against them that prophecy false dreams, saith the Lord, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their light-

32 and ye are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.

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. And as for the prophet, and the priest, and the priest, and the prophet, shall say, The burden of the Lord, I will even punish that man and his house.

35 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath the Lord answered thee? And what hath the Lord spoken?

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, even the words of the Lord of hosts.

37 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the Lord answered thee? and, What hath the Lord spoken?
24 And I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

25 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; the same was the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; the which Jeremiah the prophet spake unto all the people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,

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.

4 And the Lord hath sent unto you all his servants the prophets, rising early and sending them, but ye have not hearkened, and ye have said, The Lord hath not spoken.

5 They said, Turn ye again 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 for ever.

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.

7 Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith the
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Lord; that ye might provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.
8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words, 9 ye have despised me, and trusted in your own counsel, and have not feared me, 10 to bring upon you all the works of your hands, which ye have done, that ye may be utterly ashamed, and dishonored.
11 And the Lord will cause you to be utterly desolate, and like a city that is forsaken, and like a housetop, and like a garden that is left, and like a flier, and like a spoil.
12 ¶ And thus saith the Lord, again; Because ye have not obeyed my voice, 13 therefore thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will cause a nation to come against thee from far, and to know thee, that thou art a transgressor. 14 Then will I make thee for a spoil and for merchandise to all nations of the earth, 15 and I will break thee in pieces, and will neither break thee down any more. 16 For thus saith the Lord, The people that walk in their integrity shall possess the land, and shall dwell therein for ever.
17 ¶ And the Lord God of hosts sent unto us by the hand of Jeremiah the prophet, these words. 18 For thus saith the Lord of hosts, In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, have I sent unto you my servant the prophet Jeremiah. 19 For the Chaldeans shall come against you, all of them, and shall fight against you, and shall wage war upon you; for I have准备好了你的问题，你可以根据需要进行提问。
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 utter his voice like a noise of water, and as the noise of a mighty stamping of hosts, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

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.

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.

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 consolated, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

And they shall roar like lions, yea, and shall cry; yea, and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ye principal of the flock: for the days of your slaughter are accomplished, and ye shall fall like a pleasant vessel.

And it shall be, that when ye shall tread down the slain of the Egyptians, and the spoil and myriads of my flesh from the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, the soul that is spared of you shall say, I am not righteous, because of the Lord's great anger.

26 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, this word came from the Lord, saying, 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; diminished not a word.

1 Sam. 4, 12. Ps 78 69. Ch. 7, 14, 15.

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.

2 Or, at the door. The judgment of death is for the man.

10 When the princes of Judah heard these things, 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.

11 Then spake the priests and the prophets unto the king, saying, This man is worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears.

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.

Therefore arise, speak now unto the men and thy 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.

13 But now ye have said, Behold, I am in your hand: do with me as it seemeth good and meet unto you.

14 But now ye have said, 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.

15 But the Lord said unto me, Say so unto the people, and to the priests, Thus saith the Lord: Behold, I will bring evil upon this place and upon the inhabitants thereof, even all the words of the prophecy which are written in the book of the Kings of Judah.

16 But rise up, ye, and speak in the mouth of the Lord; to build and to plant, and not to tear down and to cast out; for I am called by name of the Lord, saith the Lord, to build, and to plant, and not to tear down and to cast out.

17 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spoke to all the assembly of the people, saying,

18 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, heath shall be plowed like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain house as the high places of a forest.

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?

20 Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.

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.

22 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely, Elathah the son of Achbor, and certain men with him into Egypt.

23 And they fetched forth Urigh 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.

27 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word unto Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy neck, 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 Tyre, and to the king of Sidon, by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;

28 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; I have made the earth, the man and the beast that are upon the ground, by my great power and by my stretched out arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed good unto me.

29 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.

30 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.

31 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.

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

10 But the nations that shall bring their necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain in their own land, saith the Lord; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.

11 And 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 live; for why shall ye die, thou and thy people, by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the Lord hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon.

12 Therefore hearken not to 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.

13 For I have 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.

14 Therefore hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the Lord's house shall shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.

15 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city be like a desolation? 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, of the vessels which are left in the house of the Lord, and in Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.

16 For thus saith the Lord of hosts, concerning the vessels of the Lord's house that are left in the house of the Lord, and in the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem; go not to Babylon.

17 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, concerning the vessels that remain in this city, to whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive Jeroboam the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem; let not the residue of the vessels be cast down from my presence; put ye the vessels in the house of the Lord, in the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;

18 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.

19 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 Hanania the son of Azur the prophet, who was of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the Lord, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,

20 Thus speaketh the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.

21 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 thence; 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: 22 And it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, in the fifth month, that Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, who was of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the Lord, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,

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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,

6 Even the prophet Jeremiah said, Amen: the Lord do so: the Lord perform the 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.

7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people; 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. The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, 9 that the Lord hath truly sent him.

10 ¶ Then Hananiah the prophet took the yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it. 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.

12 ¶ Then the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

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.

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.

15 ¶ Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah; the Lord hath not sent thee; but thou makest this people to trust in a lie.

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.

17 Go Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

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

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;)

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,

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;

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6 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;

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.

8 ¶ For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of the Lord: for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.

9 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, even the prophet Jeremiah said, Amen: the Lord do so: the Lord perform the 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.

10 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people; 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. 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.

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 within two full years from off the neck of all the nations. And the prophet Jeremiah went his way.

12 ¶ Then the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the bar from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

13 Go and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus saith the Lord; Thou hast broken the bars of wood; but thou shalt make bars of iron.

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.

15 Therefore thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will send thee away from off the face of the earth: this year thou shalt die, because thou hast taught rebellion against the Lord.

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| 17 | Heb. a letter and expectation. | Dan 9, s, &c. |

| 18 | Heb. for a curse. |

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| 21 | Heb. to return to |

| 22 | Or, a terror unto |

| 23 | Or, unto |

| 24 | Or, the collar |

| 25 | Or, dream |

Israell: Let not your prophets and your diviners, that be in the midst of you, deceave you, neither hearken ye to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed, neither ye prophesy falsely unto you in my name, I am the Lord.

9 For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, saith the Lord.

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.

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

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

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

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.

15 ¶ Because ye have said, The Lord hath raised up us prophets in Babylon: 16 Know that thus saith the Lord of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the people that dwellth in this city, of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity; 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, 18 They are so sick, and of them none can save; and none will say, Save us, we perish:

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.

20 Hear ye therefore the word of the Lord, all ye of the captivity, whom I have sent from Jeru-

21 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning Abah the son of Koliah, and of Zechariah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesied 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 in Babylon; 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 Zechariah and like Abah, whom the king of Babylon hath roasted in the fire; 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.

24 ¶ Thus shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the Nehelamite, saying, 25 Thus saith 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, 26 The Lord hath sent me to prophesy in the street 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 stocks, and in bonds, and in stocks.

27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth, which maketh himself a prophet to you? 28 So shall ye send 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.
30 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
2 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book.
3 For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will break the yoke of their bondage, and the yoke of their servitude, wherewith I have compelled them,
4 And I will bring them out of the land of Egypt, and will bring them into their own land; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people:
5 And they shall obediently keep my judgments, and do them, and they shall dwell in the land which I gave unto their fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and they shall possess it.
6 And I will make them one nation in the land, upon which I will command them to be inhabited; and they shall increase, and multiply.
7 And I will set my tabernacle in the midst of them, and will be their God, and they shall be my people:
8 And they shall dwell in the land that I gave unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; and they shall possess it.
9 And I will multiply men upon them, and beasts, and flocks in the midst of them: and I will cause them to increase and multiply.
10 And the LORD said unto Jeremiah, If prophesy not in the land what I have commanded thee to prophesy, even so let the prophets that prophesy lie, and this people die of evil for their iniquity; and they come to me, and say, The Lord deceiveth his people and maketh us to err from his ways, when the LORD saith unto them, Ye shall not go through this water.
11 And they shall say, We will surely go through the water, because the Lord shall please to help us.
12 And I will raise me a band of prophets against thee, which shall prophesy to thee through this word;
13 But if thou wilt not hear me, saith the Lord, even so shall every word, wherewith I have warned thee, come upon thee in the ears of thy ears; because the good which I promised thee, when I brought thee unto this place, to cause thee to inherit it, is come not unto thee, neither have all these evils befallen thee.
14 Behold, all the words of the street prophets, which prophesy dreams and visions, are lying signs and deadly deceits, and lead them astray, and comfort them, although the prophesy of war and of captivity, and of destruction.
15 For they prophesy falsely in my name, saith the Lord, because I have not sent them, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them in the name of the Lord.
16 Therefore hear ye the word of the Lord, all ye of Jerusalem that are gathered together unto Judah.
17 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, Thus shall ye put to death every one his ox that he hath, and every one his sheep, that ye may eat flesh, and shall come to my holy mountain, and there shall ye bring an offering in righteousness and make a right burnt offering, because your sins have exceedeth your sin in Shiloh.
18 For the abominations of the children of Israel and the abominations of the Judah have filled the midst of Jerusalem.
19 And they have said, Let the Lord be speeded, even the Lord that is desirable; and we have seen the desire of the Lord, and we have seen his spirit.
20 Therefore thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will cause them to be cast out of the cities that are in the midst of Israel, even of all the cities of Judah, and I will hew them down, and I will take away the cities of Manasseh, and the cities of Ephraim, and the cities of the house of Israel, and I will make them an astonishment, and a hissing, and a curse, as it is this day.
21 Then will I cause them to be cast out, out of all the cities, into all the kingdoms of the earth, to be devoured; and I will cut them off from among the people.
22 For they have done that which is evil in mine eyes, and have made me to stumble with their feet, and have provoked me to anger with the works of their hands; therefore I also will cut them off from among my people, even as I have cut off all the kings.
23 And it shall come to pass at that time; saith the Lord, that I will bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have compassion upon the house of Israel; and I will be like a man of war unto them; and there shall be a road upon every mountain road, and there shall be paths through the wilderness;
24 And they shall quiet themselves in the house of the Lord, in the mountain of the holy God; and he shall be for a holy temple, and a redemption to Israel; and Judah shall build upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.
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.

And their children also shall be as of beforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.

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 come near unto me: he that engaged his heart to approach unto me, saith the Lord.

And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Behold, the whirlwind of the Lord goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.

The fierce anger of the Lord shall not return, until he have done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it.

At the same time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

So will I 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.

And out of the mouth of the Lord, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, O Lord, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.

For thus saith the Lord, Sing with gladness Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O Lord, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.

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At the same time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.
16 Thys saith the Lord: Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord; and thy labour shall come again from the land of the enemy. 17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the Lord, that thy children shall come again to their own border. 18 ¶ I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus: Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unacustomed to the yoke: turn, 0 Lord, and I shall be turned; 0 for thou art the Lord my God. 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. 20 Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a pleasant child? for so often as I speak 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. 21 Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, even the way which thou wentest: turn again, 0 virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities. 22 How long wilt thou turn about, 0 thou forsaking daughter? for the Lord hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man. 23 Thys saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: As 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, 0 habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness. 24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they that go forth with flocks. 25 For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul. 26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me. 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. 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. 29 ¶ In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge. 30 ¶ Every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grapes, his teeth shall be set on edge. 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: 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: 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. 34 ¶ Moreover, I will make them a new heart, and will put new spirit in them; and I will remove from them the heart of stone, and will put a heart of flesh in them. 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: 36 ¶ If these ordinances depart from before me,
32 The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar.

33 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, from the face of the land to which I brought them, and will cast them into a land of strangers and a people that is not their's.

34 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will bring back unto the city of Jerusalem and to the houses of Judah the heart of their fathers, to return there to the Lord their God; and I will cause their captivity to return, and I will have mercy upon them; and I will bring them again unto the land which I gave unto their fathers, and unto me.

35 ¶ But fear ye not, O Jerusalem; be not afraid, O Zion: for I will prepare thine issue, and will gather thee all the nations together, and will bring them down into the valley of Abonaddom. And I will take thee for a wife, saith the Lord, in that day, even a holy one: and thou shalt take up this parable, and say, Thus saith the Lord; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation and bitter weeping; Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

36 ¶ But thus saith the Lord; Returns shall they return, saith the Lord, to Zion, and shall take possession of the holy hill with joy, and with rejoicing, and everlasting joy shall they dwell; and they shall be satisfies with the abundance of righteousness, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

37 ¶ Thus saith the Lord; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, then will I also cast off all the seed of Israel for all the evils that they have done, saith the Lord.

38 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will build with the city of Jerusalem and with the houses of Judah the house of the Lord, and I will build her ruins, and I will set her wastes, and I will make her that funeral cities into a habitation of joy, and her mourning into欢乐, and I will give her everlasting joy, and everlasting joy shall she be.
stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:
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, 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: 19 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among all the children of men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day; 20 And hast brought forth thy people Israel out of the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among all the children of men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day; 21 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:
24 Behold the *mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the children of Israel, and they defile it. And they struck the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence: and what thou hast spoken is come to pass; and, behold, thou seest it.
25 And the Lord 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. 26 ¶ Then came the word of the Lord unto Jeremiah, saying,
27 Behold, I am the Lord, the *God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?
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: 29 And the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and set fire on it, 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.
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, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
31 And they have turned unto me the *back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet have they not hearkened to receive instruction. 34 But they *set their abominations in the house, which is called by my name, to defile it. 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 Moloch; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin. 36 ¶ And now therefore thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereby 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; by thy stretched out arm; there is nothing too hard for thee:
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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 in their houses. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God:

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:

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

Yet will I 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:

For thus saith the Lord; 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.

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. Yet will I make her, even all the men that are round about her, as in former days, and will heal her withal.

Again will I bring the captivity of Judah, and the captivity of Israel, together; and will build them, as at the first.

And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.

I will pardon all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me, and whereby they have transgressed against me.

And it shall come to pass, when ye shall return and shall be gathered together in the land, which I have caused you to be carried away captive, then shall ye remember all the wickedness wherewith ye sinned against me; and evil shall not be taken away out of your midst, until it be done away.

Therefore thus saith the Lord: Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye said 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, 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 say, Praise the Lord of hosts: for the Lord is good; for his mercy endureth for ever:

And I will give sacrifices of thanksgiving into the house of the Lord; I will make an oblation: I willandleave all the 언어를 실행할 수 없음
habitation of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down.

13 In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vales, 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.

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.

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.

16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this is the name whereby she shall be called, ¶ The Lord our righteousness.

17 ¶ For thus saith the Lord; ¶ David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel; neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and to do service unto me.

18 ¶ And the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, saying,

19 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;

20 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.

21 ¶ 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.

22 Moreover the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying,

23 Consideer 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.

24 Thus saith the Lord; ¶ If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the heavens and the earth:

25 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 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,

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:

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.

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:

5 But thou shalt die in peace: and with the burnnings of thy fathers, the former kings which were before thee, so shalt thou burn with them; and they will lament thee, saying, Ah lord! for I have pronounced the word, saith the Lorn.

6 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake all these words unto Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusalem,
7 When the king of Babylon’s army fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities of Judah that were left against the king of Judah, against Lachish, and against Azekah: for these defended cities remained of the cities of Judah.

8 ¶ This is the word that came unto Jeremiah from the Lord, after that the king Zedekiah had cut off the crown-wine-cup from his head, and spared him nothing of the calamities of Jerusalem which befell it, while it was at Jerusalem, to proclaim "liberty unto them;"

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

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.

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.

12 ¶ Therefore the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying,

13 Thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel; I made of you (Jehoiakim the king of Judah, whom I had brought forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

14 At the end of seven years let ye go every man of his servants, whom ye have made him a bondman in six years, and every man his handmaid, whom he hath bought of thee with his money, and shall let all his people go in every season; but your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.

15 And ye were turneth and polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom he had set at liberty for their pleasure, to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.

16 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 stranger, to the widow, and to the fatherless, and I will make you to be "removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

17 And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, the men that have committed the transgression of my people, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they made before me, when they cut the calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof;

18 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;

19 I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and 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.

20 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.

21 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.

22 ¶ The word which came unto Jeremiah from the Lord, in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

23 Go unto the house of the Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the house of Jerahmeel the son of Seilam, the son of Rechab, according to the word of the Lord.
of the Lord, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink. 
3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habazziniah, and his brethren, and all his sons and all the whole house of the Rechabites; 
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 above the chamber of the princes, which was above the chamber of Maseelah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the 1 door: 
5 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites full of wine, and cups, and I said unto them, Drink ye wine. 
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: 
7 Neither shall ye build houses, 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. 
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; 
9 Nor to build houses, nor to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed: 
10 But we have obeyed, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us. 
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. 
12 Then came the word of the Lord unto Jeremiah, saying, 
13 Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Go and tell the men of Judah and of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to my words? saith the Lord. 
14 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; and 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. 
15 Therefore I have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, raising 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. 
16 Therefore the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their father which Jonadab his father commanded them; but this people hath not hearkened unto me: 
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. 
18 ¶ And Jeremiah saith 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: 
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.

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36 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, 
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, spake the Lord, from the days of Josiah, even unto this day: 2 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them: they must return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin. 3 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 spake unto him, upon a roll of a book. 4 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I am shut up; I cannot go into the house of the Lord: 5 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. 6 It may be that 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. 7 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. 8 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. 9 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. 10 ¶ When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out of the book all the words of the Lord, 11 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 Deliah the son of Shemaiah, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes. 12 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words of the book which Baruch read in the book in the ears of the people. 13 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, Yukim the thirteenth hand the roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the people, and came. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came unto them. 14 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read it in their ears. 15 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. 16 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How hast thou written all these words at his mouth? 17 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote them with ink in the book. 18 So Baruch the prince unto Baruch, Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah; and let no man know where ye be. 19 And they went in to the king into the chambers. And the king was laid upon his bed, and they laid in the chamber of Elishama the scribe, and told all the words in the ears of the king. 20 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll: and he took it out of 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.
Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and there was a fire on the hearth burning before him.

And it came to pass, that when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with the penknife round about, 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.

And yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.

Nevertheless Elthanah and Deliah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son of Hanamelech, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet: but the Lorp hid them.

Then the word of the Lorp came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

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 had burned.

And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus saith the Lorn: Thou hast burned this roll: But shall it be well with thee, saith the Lorn, that thou hast written the words of the covenant of the Lorn which thou hast burned, saying, The king of Babylon shall surely come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from hence man and beast?

Therefore thus saith the Lorn concerning 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.

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.

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 f like words.

And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of Massieah the priest to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, Pray now unto the Lorn our God for us.

Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into prison.

Then Pharaoh's army came forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they departed from Jerusalem.

And Pharaoh's army came forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they brake up from Jerusalem.

Then came the word of the Lorn unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

Thus saith the Lorn, 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 again to Egypt into their own land.

And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.

Thus saith the Lorn: Deceive not yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart.

For though ye have 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.
11 ¶ And it came to pass, that when the army of the
Chaldeans was broken up from Jerusalem for
their own's army, then Jehoiakim sent forth out of
Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin, to separate
himself thence in the midst of the people.
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, the captain of the gate of Benjamin, a
man whose name was Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of
Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet, saying,
Thus saith the Lord of heaven, to bring thee away.
13 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.
14 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jerem-
iah, and smote him, and put him in prison in the
house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that
the prison.
15 ¶ When Jeremiah was entered into the
dungeon, and into the 2 cabins, and Jeremiah had re-
mained there many days;
16 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 saith there is: for, said he, thou shalt not be
delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.
17 Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah,
What have I offended thee, or against thy servants, or against
this people, that ye have put me in prison?
18 Where are now thy prophets which prophesied
unto you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?
19 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.
20 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.
21 And Shebathiah the son of Mattan, and Gedali-
iah the son of Pahshur, and Jucal the son of
Shelemiah, and Pashur the son of Malchiah, heard the
words that Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people
in the days of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the
seventeenth year.
22 Thus said the Lorn, 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 Chal-
dees shall live; and he shall have his life for a
prey, and shall live.
23 Thus said the Lorn, This city shall surely be
given into the hand of the king of Babylon's army,
which shall take it. 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. Then they brought Jeremiah into the
cistern of Mahsechah, 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 mere: so Jeremiah sank in the
mire.

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1. Heb. made to ascend.
2. Heb. to slip away from thence in the midst of the people.
3. Heb., falsehood, or, a lie.
4. Or., cella.
5. Or., house of the put.
6. Heb., through.
7. Heb., from thence.
8. Heb., through.
8 Ebed-melech went forth out of the king's house, and spake to the king, saying,

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 into the dungeon is like to die for hunger in the place where he is: for there is no more bread in the city.

10 Then went the king command Edem-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from thence thirty men 

† Heb. in these hand.

† Heb. he will die.

† Or. prince.

11 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon: and Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

12 Then Zedekiah sent unto Zedekiah, the king's son, and unto Jeremiah the prophet unto the king, saying, Is there any word from the Lord? And Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, Thus saith the Lord unto thee, Behold, if thou wilt forsake me, and go unto the king of Babylon;

13 Then shalt thou live, and thy life shall be spared; and thy soul shall live; and shalt not escape out of their hand.

14 And thou shalt deliver all the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the king's house, into their hand. So Zedekiah the king sent unto the king of Babylon, saying, What shall I do? And the king of Babylon sent unto him all kinds of provender, and all kinds of wine.

15 Then Zedekiah said unto Jeremiah, I have heard the words that hast spoken unto us. Now therefore, all of us will present ourselves unto the king of Babylon: then shall we live, and not die.

16 Then came Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; If thou wilt go forth unto the king of Babylon, then it shall go well with thee, and this city shall be given into thine hand, and thou shalt live in it. But if thee refuse to go forth unto the king of Babylon, then cometh this word of the Lord: In this place shall thine eyes see all the evil that I have brought upon thee: thy children shall die of the sword; thy wives shall be burnt with fire; thy houses shall be looted; and thy land shall be given to thy enemies: and thou shalt die there. But if thou wilt go forth unto the king of Babylon, then it shall go well with thee, and thy life shall be spared. And thou shalt eat bread, and shalt drink wine, and shalt be satisfied, and shalt dwell in a good house, and thou shalt not die. But if thou refuse to go forth unto the king of Babylon, then cometh this word of the Lord: He will not suffer thee to live. Behold, all the women that are left in the city 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. So they shall bring out all the wives that are left in Jerusalem, and in all the cities of Judah, unto the king of Babylon's princes, and they shall speak the same words unto them, and they shall not speak to them. And they shall ask thee, saying, What word saith the Lord? Then shalt thou say, This is the word of the Lord: For I will give the men of this city into the hand of their enemies; and they shall take thee away thence, and deliver thee into the hand of the king of Babylon. Then shalt thou say unto Zedekiah, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; I have set my face against thee, and thou shalt not escape. But if thou wilt go forth unto the king of Babylon, then it shall go well with thee, and thy life shall be spared, and thou shalt not die. But if thou refuse to go forth unto the king of Babylon, then cometh this word of the Lord: He will not suffer thee to live.
cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there.
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 him, that they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.
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 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon to Jerusalem: and he besieged it.
40 And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month, the city was broken up:
41 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, even Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechum, Rab-saris, Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, with all the princes of the king of Babylon.
42 And it came to pass, that when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, he cut off his hair: and all the manner of the 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 to Babylon.
43 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 Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon to Riblah, in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him.
44 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.
45 Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon.
46 And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.
47 Then Nebuzar-adan 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.
48 But Nebuzar-adan 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.
49 Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard, saying,
50 Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm: but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee.
51 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushazban, Rab-saris, and Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, and all the king of Babylon's princes:
52 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.
53 Now the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the prison, saying,
54 Go and speak to Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring mine words upon this city for evil, and not for good; and they shall be accomplished in that day before thee.
55 But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the Lord: and thou shalt go out, and shalt come into the hand of the men of whom thou art afraid.
56 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 The word which came to Jeremiah from the Lord, after that Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had made Captives in chains to carry away all the captives who were in the land of Judah, to Babylon. 2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah, and said unto him, The Lord thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place. 3 Now the Lord hath brought it, and done according as he spake; because ye have sinned against the Lord, and have not obeyed his voice, therefore this thing is come upon you. 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 if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear; behold, all the land is before thee: whether it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go. 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 had made governor over the land of Judah, and dwell with him among the people: or go wheresoever it seemeth good unto thee to go. So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go. 6 Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah to Mizpah, and dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land. 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 all the people that were left, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon; 8 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kariach, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite, and Jezaniah the son of Machathite, they and their men. 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. 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. 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; 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. 13 ¶ Moreover Johanan the son of Kariach, and all the captains of the forces that were in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, 14 And said unto him, Dost thou certainly know that Basali the king of the Ammonites hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to slay thee? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not. 15 Then Johanan the son of Kariach spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let me go, and I will go out into the land of the Chaldeans, and will set my face to Babylon: 16 Then said Gedaliah, Go out, and say so. But matters were not well, neither in Babylon nor in all the land of Judah: 17 ¶ Then in the seven and twentieth year of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, Nebuzarstandingar, captain of the host, came to Jerusalem again in the seventh month; 18 And the captain of the host, the same Nebuzarstandingar, took Jeremiah, the prophet, and the highpriest Gedaliah, the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, the son of Gluz, the scribe, and the other men that were left in the land, that were left of the children of Jerusalem, and of the children of the priests. 19 And Nabuzarstandingar did take all the remainder of the people that were left in the land of Judah, that were not carried away captive to Babylon, and gave them into the hand of the Cushites, to carry them away to Babylon.
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 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 cut bread together in Mizpah, and there they said 2

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.

3 Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, even Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, and the men of war.

4 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew it.

5 That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, even fourscore men, having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and the edge of their clothes and incense in their hand, to bring them to the house of the Lord.

6 And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah after them, and smote all the men that were with him, as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

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.

8 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 Nebuzar-adan 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.

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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,

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.

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.

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.

15 But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites.

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 the hand of Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, 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:
17 And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of Chimmer, which is by Beth-lehem, to go to enter into Egypt.

18 Because of the Chaldeans: for they were afraid of them, because Ishmael the son of Nathaniahad slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

42 Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jehozan the son of Hoshiaia, and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, arose, and entered into the land of Egypt; even for all this remnant: (for we are left but a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)

3 That the Lord thy God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.

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 whatever thing the Lord shall answer you, I will declare it unto you; I will keep nothing back from you.

5 Then they said to Jeremiah, The Lord be a true witness between us, if we will not walk in the way 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.

6 Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will hear the voice of the Lord our God, unto whom we send thee; and 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.

7 ¶ And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah.

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.

9 And said unto them, Thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him:

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.

11 But if ye will go into Egypt, what will come unto you, that ye may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.

12 ¶ But if ye say, We will dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the Lord our God, to whom we send thee;

13 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;

14 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; and then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which ye fear, 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.

15 ¶ But if ye say, We will dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the Lord our God, to whom we send thee;

16 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; now therefore hear ye the word of the Lord, O 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;

17 Then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which ye fear, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye are afraid, shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.

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19 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; now therefore hear ye the word of the Lord, O 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; and then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which ye fear, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye are afraid, shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.

20 And they said, There is no straw for the horses of my lord, neither shall we go forth to our labourers: but we will return to Egypt.

21 Then spake Johanan the son of Kareah unto all Judah, saying, All the men that are gathered to thee, say, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; After good you are guilty, because ye have forsaken me;

22 And also all the men that are gathered to thee, say, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, After good you are guilty, because ye have forsaken me;

23 And also all the men that are gathered to thee, say, Thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, After good you are guilty, because ye have forsaken me; and also all the men that are gathered to thee, say, We will not go up to Egypt;
The Lord hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah: Go ye not into Egypt, know certainly that I have told thee unto this day.

20 For ye have dissembled in your hearts, saying, Pray for us unto the Lord our God, to deal with us according to all that the Lord our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do it.

21 So 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 which he hath sent me unto you.

22 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 And it came to pass, that when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto all the people the words of the Lord their God, for which the Lord their God had sent him to them, even all those words,

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 God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:

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.

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;

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, whether they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah;

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.

7 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voice of the Lord; thus came they even to Tahpanhes.

8 And it came the word of the Lord unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes, saying,

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;

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.

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.

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 thence in peace.

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 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,

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.
3 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that they went to burn incense unto other gods, whom they knew not, neither they, ye, nor your fathers.
4 Howbeit I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, raising early and sending them, saying, Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate. But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.
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.
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, infant and suckling, out of the midst of Judah, to leave you none remaining; 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 whither ye go.
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? They are not all 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.
10 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.
11 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt for 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 sickness and by the sword and by the famine; and they shall be an execution, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.
12 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall return to 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.
13 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,
14 As for the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the Lord, we will not hearken unto thee unto that day.
15 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.
16 Therefore we left off to burn incense to 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.
17 And when we burned incense to the queen
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? 22. So lint 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 an curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day. 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 upon you, as at this day.

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. 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, and your hands have fulfilled the same, and ye have burned incense, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.

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 not more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord Goß liveth. 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. 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 theirs.

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: 30. Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will give Pharaoh, the 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. 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. 2 Thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch; 3 Thus saith the Lord, Wo to me now! for the Lord hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

4. ¶ Thus shalt thou say unto him, The Lord saith; Behold, that which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land. 5 And soseeketh 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 for all places whither thou goest. 6

46. The word of the Lord which came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Gentiles:

2 Against Egypt, against the army of Pharaoh-necho king of Egypt, which was by the river 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 4 men? 20 ¶ Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, to the women, to the great men, and to the princes, to the people which had given him that answer, saying, 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? 22. So lint 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. 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 upon you, as it is this day. 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. 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, and your hands have fulfilled the same, 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: established them. 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 not more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, As the Lord Goß liveth. 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. 28. And they that escape the sword shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, few in number; and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose words shall stand.

29. Mine, or theirs. And this shall be the 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: 30. Thus saith the Lord; Behold, I will give Pharaoh, the 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.

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46. The word of the Lord which came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning the nations.

2 Of Egypt: concerning the army of Pharaoh-necho king of Egypt, which was by the river
Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in the fourth year of Je-hoakim the son of Josiah king of Judah.

3 Order ye the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle.

4 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with your helmets; furnish the spears, and put on the brigandines.

5 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed and turned away back? and their mighty men are as the first fleeing, and look not back: for fear was round about, saith the Lord.

6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man man escape: they shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.

7 Who is this that cometh up as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?

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.

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 Lyudians, that handle and bend the bow.

11 For thus saith 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 hath a sacrifice for the Lord hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.

12 Go up into Gilead, and take balm, O virgin, the daughter of Egypt; in vain shalt thou use many medicines; for thy stricken heart shall not be cured.

13 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.

14 ¶ The word that the Lord spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come and smite the land of Egypt.

15 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph and in Tahapanes: say ye, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee.

16 Why are thy valiant men swept away? they stood not, because the Lord did drive them.

17 He made many to fall, yes, one fell upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go again to our people, and to the land of our nativity, from among the bastards.

18 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt is but a noise; he hath passed the time appointed.

19 He said, The Lord hath set the king of Assyria against my land, and against my strong holds, and against my crown, like a flood, and like a flood.

20 Therefore said he, I will return, and I will water my eyes with my meat, I have found it to be bitter for the spoiler hath spoiled, and for the spoiler hath spoiled.

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.

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.

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.

24 ¶ The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north.

25 The Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, saith; Behold, I will punish the multitude of No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, and all them that delight in idols; and they shall be like both the grasshoppers, and like the locusts which go over the earth.

26 When all the women shall go out of the land of Egypt, their voice shall be heard as the voice of the weeping land, and as the voice of one that driveth away.

27 In that day shall the Lord shall make the noise of a cry heard in Egypt, like the noise of a mighty people; and anarkh shall be heard, as the noise of the sea.

28 And the land shall be left desolate by reason of them which dwell therein, and they shall be as a land devoured by serpents, and inhabited not.

29 For the Lord will bring upon thee a time that his anger shall come down, from the heavens, upon the land of Egypt, so that there shall be no escape; the voice of the Assyrian shall come against all that dwell therein.

30 ¶ Thus saith the Lord; A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping, and much wailing; Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

31 ¶ If one go and tell Pharaoh king of Egypt, saying, The Lord hath shewn me in a dream, saying, Lo, the children of Israel are a people numbered; and the land of Egypt is a wide place; let Pharaoh go up, and夺得 the land of Egypt.

32 ¶ But he said, I will not go up; for the Lord hath spoken to me.

33 And they shall be as the children of Israel before them; in their ingathering they shall be few...
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1. I am 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.

2. And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Beth-el their confidence.

3. "How say ye, We are mighty and strong men, men of valour; we are wise in counsel, and very skilful in speaking falsely; we are cunning to shew our hearts like a lie."

4. "How say ye, We have reached even thither, we have placed our帐s upon a high place, we sit in a thicket; for the spoiler of Moab shall come upon thee, and he shall destroy thy strong holds."

5. "O inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and he that escapeth, and say, What is done?"

6. Moab is confounded; for it is broken down: bow! howl and cry; tell ye it in Arnon, that Moab is spoiled.

7. And judgment is come upon the plain country; upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and upon Mephath.

8. And upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Beth-diblathaim.

9. And upon Kirjathaim, and upon Beth-gammul, and upon Beth-meon.

10. And upon Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near.

11. The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the Lord.

12. "Make ye him drunken: for he magnified himself against the Lord; Moab also shall wallow in his vomit, and he shall also be in derision."

13. "For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among thieves? for since thou spakest of him, thou skippedst for joy."

14. "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."

15. "We have heard the pride of Moab (he is exceeding proud); his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his haughtiness of his heart."

16. "I know his wrath, saith the Lord; but it shall be no more: his days shall be spent, and his years shall be consumed."

17. "Therefore will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab; mine heart shall mourn for the men of Kir-heres."

18. "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."

19. "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."

20. From the cry of Heshbon even unto Elealeh, and even unto Jahaz, have they uttered their voice, from Zoar even unto Horonaim, as an inhabit of three years old: for the waters also of Nimmrod shall be dried up."

21. "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."

22. "Therefore mine ears shall sound no more for Moab like pipes, and mine heart shall sound no more for Moab like pipes; for the men of Kir-heres: because the riches that he hath gotten shall be perished."

23. "Set up their head; and make it bare; and every beard clipped: upon all the hands shall be cuttings, and upon the loins sackcloth.
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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. 39 They shall howl, saying, How is it broken as the vessel? and Moab turned the back, with shame. 40 So shall Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him. 40 For thus saith the Lord; Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and shall spread his wings over Moab. 41 1 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. 42 And Moab shall be destroyed from being a people, because he hath magnified himself against the Lord. 43 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, shall be upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, saith the Lord. 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. 45 They that fled stood under the shadow of Heshbon, and turned back to his cities, 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. 46 Woe be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sons are taken captive, and thy daughters captives. 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 2 their king inherit? 3 4 Gand, and his people dwell in his cities. 4 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard in 5 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. 3 Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoiled: cry, ye daughters of Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth; lament, and run to and fro among the fountains; for 4 their king shall go into captivity, and his 5 priests and his princes together. 4 Wherefore glorish thou in the valleys, thou multitude of cherubim? 6 O buckled daughter? that trusted in her treasures, saying, Who shall come unto me? 5 Behold, I will bring a fear upon thee, saith the Lord God of hosts, from all that be about thee; and ye shall be driven out every man right forth; and none shall gather up him that wandereth. 6 And afterward will I bring again the captivity of the children of Ammon, saith the Lord.

7 1 Concerning Edom, thus saith the Lord of hosts; 2 Is wisdom no more in Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished? 8 Flee ye, 9 turn back, dwell deep, O inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time that 10 I will visit him. 9 If grapegatherers came to thee, would they not leave some grapes home? if thieves by night, they will destroy till they have enough. 10 But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his nakedness, so shall he not be able to hide himself: his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours, and he is not. 11 Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve them, and they shall not be gathered up; and art thou that shall

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1 Or, how ye? 2 Or, The cities taken. 5 See ch. xxxi. 28. 6 Or, return to.

10 Or, Wherefore glorish thou in the valleys? thy valley floweth away. 11 Or, they will leave no pleasant grapes; 12 Or, for whose judgement was not.
altogether go unpunished? thou shalt not go unpunished; but thou shalt surely drink of it.

13 For I have sworn by myself, said the Lord, that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual wastes.

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.

15 For, lo, I will make thee small among the heathen, and despised among men.

16 Thy terribleness hast deceived thee, and the pride of thine heart, for 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, said the Lord.

17 Also Edom shall be a desolation: * every one that goeth by it shall be astonishment, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.

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.

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 his jetzt, for who is like me? and who will * appoint me the time? and who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

20 Therefore hear the counsel of the Lord, that 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 habitation desolate with them.

21 The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the cry the noise thereof was heard in the * red sea.

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 labour.

23 Of 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.

24 Of Damascus is waxed feeble, and turned herself to flee, and fear hath seized on her; anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travails.

25 How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy?

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.

27 And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of Benhadad.

28 Concerning Kedar, and concerning the king- doms of Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon shall wage, thus saith the Lord; Arise ye, go up to Kedar, and spoil the men of the east.

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.

30 * Flee, * get ye 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.

31 Arise, get you up unto the * wealthy nation, the most high to the mountain of Bashan, or to that mountain of Bashan: which is Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath taken counsel against you, and hath conceived a purpose against you.

32 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will scatter into all winders that are in the midst of the earth, and I will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, saith the Lord.

See Obad. 1-4.

Or, Selah. See kings xii. 17.
33 And Hazor shall be a dwelling place for dragons, and a desolation for ever: there shall no man dwell, nor son of man dwell therein.

45 The word of the Lord that came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning the prophetess Zedekiah of Judah, saying,

33 And I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.

34 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.

35 For I will cause Elam to be desolated 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:

36 And I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, saith the Lord.

37 But it shall come to pass in the latter days, that I will bring again the captivity of Elam, saith the Lord.

50 The word that the Lord spake against Babylon, concerning the land of the Chaldeans;

2 Declare ye among the nations, and publish, and set up a standard; publish, and conceal not: say, 'Hear this, enquire diligent: let your sabrads be broken in pieces; her idols are confounded, her images are broken in pieces.

3 For out of the north there cometh up a nation against Babylon, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 flock.

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.

10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the Lord.

11 Because ye are glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls;

12 Therefore shall the wrath of the Lord be against her, that treads out the corn, and reigneth as strong horses:

13 Horses: for your mother shall be confounded: behold, the hindermost of the nations shall be a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.

14 And the remaining 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.

15 The Lord shall bring a money against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her,
Or, sickle.

17 "Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven him away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.

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.

19 And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feast on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.

20 In those days, and in that time, saith the Lord, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none found: and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I have reserved.

21 Go up against the land of Merathaim, even against Gestim, 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.

22 A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction.

23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!

24 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not aware: thou art bound, and also caught, because thou hast striven against the Lord.

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.

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.

27 And let her bulwarks fall down to the slaughter: woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.

28 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to proclaim in Zion, be to the Lord our God, the vengeance of his temple.

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.

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.

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.

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.

33 Thus saith the Lord of hosts: The children of Israel and the children of Judah are oppressed together: and all that took them captives held them fast; they refused to let them go.

34 Their Redeemer is strong; the Lord of hosts is his name: he shall thoroughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to his people, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

35 The Lord saith of the king of Babylon: As the wild asses in the deserts, and as the young hart among the rocks, so he is among the oppressors: he was doomed, and his sons with him; for by his violence he transgressed.

36 This is the message which the Lord hath put in my mouth, saying, But I will restore you to health, and make you praise the land.

37 For who is this that came from年年底?
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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. 36 A sword is upon the 40 lars; and they shall destroy a sword upon her mighty men; and they shall be disnayawed. 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. 38 A sword is upon her waters; and they shall howl; they shall dry up the daces of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols. 39 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell there, and the owls shall dwell there; and they shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation. 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.

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. 42 They shall hold the bow and the lance; they are cruel, and will not shew mercy; their voice shall roar in the sea, and they shall ride upon horses; every one shall是以t his sword against his neighbour in the land. 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. 44 Behold, he shall come up 45 ¶ like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will bring them suddenly ran away from her; and her waters shall be dried up. 46 Then shall the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell there, and the owls shall dwell there; and they shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.

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his own country: for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up even to the skies.

10 The Lord hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of the Lord; 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. 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.

13 O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

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.

15 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens when it was nigh that they should be established. 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 for the rain, and bringeth forth the wind of his out of his treasures.

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. 18 They are vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.

19 The portion of Jacob is not like unto him; for he is the former of all things: and Israel is the rod of his inheritance: the Lord of hosts is his name.

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; 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; 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; 23 I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock; and with thee will I break pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen; and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers.

24 And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in thy sight, saith the Lord.

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.

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.

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 kings of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillers.

28 The Lord hath given up the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.

29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every one that doth travail among the nations shall be dismayed at thee, saith the Lord.

30 The mighty men of Babylon have forborne to

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1 Or, make the watch stronger.

2 Or, suite of armours.

3 See ch. 12.10.

4 Or, dishonest gain.

5 Or, maud.

6 Or, lieutenants.

7 Or, exactly.
fight, they have remained in their holds: their might hath failed; they became as women: they have burned her dwellings; her bars are broken.

31 One city 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.

32 And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted.

33 For thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, Thus shall this house, like a threshing-floor, be set to the time that she: yet a little while, and the time of her harvest shall come.

34 Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon hath devoted 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. 

35 The violence done to me and to my flesh be upon Babylon, the inhabitants of Zion say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.

36 Therefore thus saith the Lord: Behold, I will plead thy case, and take vengeance for thee; and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.

37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwelling-place of dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant.

38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall roil as lions' whelps.

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.

40 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.

41 How is Shebah taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth surprized! how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations?

42 The sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.

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.

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: yes, the wall of Babylon shall fall.

45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver every man his soul from the fierce anger of the Lord.

46 And lest your heart faint, and ye fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a rumour shall come one year, and after that in another year shall come a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.

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.

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.

49 As Babylon hath caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the slain of all the people that are gathered against me, saith the Lord.

50 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand still not: remember the Lord afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.

51 For thus saith the Lord: we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the Lord's house.

52 Of the Lord's house and his holy temple, in the days come, saith the Lord, that I will do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.
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, even from the Lord.

54 A sound of a cry cometh from Babylon, and great destruction from the land of the Chaldeans.

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:

56 Because the spoiler is come upon her, even upon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken: sent is he; for she is broken in pieces; for she is utterly broken.

57 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise men, her governors, and her mighty men; and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the King, whose name is the Lord of hosts.

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.

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 to Babylon; this was in the fourth year of his reign. And this Seraiah was a chief prince.

60 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, even all these words that were written concerning all Babylon.

61 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see, and shalt read all these words;

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.

63 And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise again because of the evil that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far are the words of Jeremiah.

62 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.

3 And he did that which was evil in the eyes of the Lord; according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

4 For through the anger of the Lord it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, that he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

5 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, and all his army, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.

6 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

7 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.

8 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 is by the king's garden; (now the Chal- deans were by the city round about;) and they went by the way of the plain.

9 But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after them to the brook of Eshnunna; and all his army was scattered from him.

10 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.
And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah.

10. 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.

11. Now in the fifth month, in the tenth day of the month, which was the fourteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzar-adan, captain of the guard, which served the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem.

12. And he burned the house of the Lorp, and the king's house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, and all the houses of the great men, burned he with fire:

13. And all the walls of Jerusalem round about, and all the houses of Jerusalem, even every great house, burned he with fire.

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.

15. Then Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away captive 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.

16. Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard left certain of the poor of the land for vine-dressers and for husbandmen.

17. Also the pillars of brass that were in the house of the Lord, and the bases, and the brazen sea that was in the house of the Lord, the captain of the guard brake, and carried all the brass of them to Babylon.

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.

19. And the basins and the firepans, and the caldrons, and the candlesticks, and the spoons and all the vessels of brass, in which Solomon had made in the house of the Lord, took the captain of the guard away.

20. And the two pillars, one sea, and twelve brazen bulls that were under the basins, which king Solomon had made for the house of the Lord; the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

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.

22. And a chapter of brass was upon it; and the height of the chapter wasith five cubits; there was clipping upon the chapter round about, all of brass. The second pillar also and the pomegranates were like unto these.

23. There were ninety and six pomegranates on a side; and all the pomegranates upon the network were an hundred round about.

24. And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the door:

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 princes thereof, 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.

26. So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

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.

28. This is the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried away captive: in the seventh year three thousand three hundred and thirty persons; and in the eighth year three thousand three hundred and twenty persons;

29. In the ninth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons; and in the tenth year three thousand and five hundred persons;

30. In the eleventh year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty.
and five persons: all the persons were four thousand and six hundred.

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 Evil-merodach 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.

32 And spoke kindly unto him, and set his throne above the thrones of the kings that were: with him in Babylon,

33 And changed his prison garments: and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.

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 How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people! how is she become as a widow!

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

8 Jerusalem hath grievously sinned; therefore she is removed: all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: yea, she sibbeth, and turneth backward.

1 How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people!

2 She was great among the nations, and princes among the provinces, how is she become tributary!

3 She was great in her power, she could not find herself; she is become a desolation.

4 She is a king among princes; she is a princess among the provinces.

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.

6 And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed: her princes are become like harts that find not pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.

7 Jerusalem remembereth in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all her pleasant things that were from the days of old: When her people fell into the hand of the adversary, and none did help her. The adversaries saw her, they did mock at her desolations.

8 Jerusalem hath grievously sinned; therefore she is become as an unclean thing: All that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: Yes, she sibbeth, and turneth backward.