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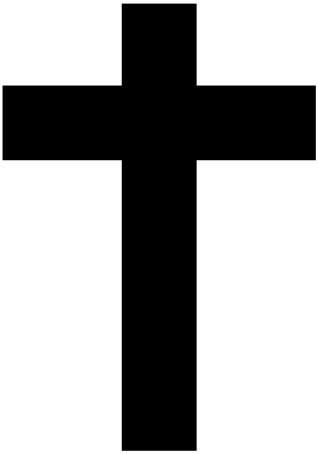

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The First Book of Moses, called Genesis

1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep.
And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.
3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.
4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness.*
5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and
the morning were the first day.†
6 ¶ And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the
waters from the waters.‡
7 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament
from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so.
8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the
second day.§
9 ¶ And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place,
and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so.
10 And God called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he
Seas: and God saw that *it was* good.
11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree
yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.**
12 And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree
yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.
13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.††
14 ¶ And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day
from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:‡‡
15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth:
and it was so.
16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to
rule the night: *he made* the stars also.§§
17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,
18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness:
and God saw that *it was* good.
19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.***
20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath
life, and fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.†††‡‡‡§§§*
21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the
waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind:
and God saw that *it was* good.
22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas,
and let fowl multiply in the earth.
23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.†
24 ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and
creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.
25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and
every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.
26 ¶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have
dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over
all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

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* **1:4** the light from...: Heb. between the light and between the darkness † **1:5** And the evening...: Heb. And the evening was, and the morning was etc. ‡ **1:6** firmament: Heb. expansion § **1:8** And the evening...: Heb. And the evening was, and the morning was etc. ** **1:11** grass: Heb. tender grass †† **1:13** And the evening...: Heb. And the evening was, and the morning was etc. ‡‡ **1:14** the day...: Heb. between the day and between the night §§ **1:16** to rule the day...: Heb. for the rule of the day, etc. *** **1:19** And the evening...: Heb. And the evening was, and the morning was etc. ††† **1:20** moving: or, creeping ‡‡‡ **1:20** life: Heb. soul §§§ **1:20** fowl...: Heb. let fowl fly * **1:20** open...: Heb. face of the firmament of heaven † **1:23** And the evening...: Heb. And the evening was, and the morning was etc.

27 So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and
female created he them.
28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and
replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over
the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.‡
29 ¶ And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which *is* upon the
face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you
it shall be for meat.§**
30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that
creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and
it was so.††
31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good. And the
evening and the morning were the sixth day.‡‡

2

1 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.
2 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the
seventh day from all his work which he had made.
3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from
all his work which God created and made.*
4 ¶ These *are* the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in
the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,
5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before
it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man
to till the ground.
6 But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.†
7 And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils
the breath of life; and man became a living soul.‡
8 ¶ And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man
whom he had formed.
9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the
sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of
knowledge of good and evil.
10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and
became into four heads.
11 The name of the first *is* Pison: that *is* it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah,
where *there is* gold;
12 And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* bdellium and the onyx stone.
13 And the name of the second river *is* Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole
land of Ethiopia.§
14 And the name of the third river *is* Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth toward the east of
Assyria. And the fourth river *is* Euphrates.**
15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and
to keep it.††
16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou
mayest freely eat:‡‡
17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day
that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.§§
18 ¶ And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him
an help meet for him.***
19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl
of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever
Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof.†††

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‡ **1:28** moveth: Heb. creepeth § **1:29** bearing...: Heb. seeding seed ** **1:29** yielding...: Heb. seeding seed †† **1:30** life: Heb. a living soul ‡‡ **1:31** And the evening...: Heb. And the evening was, and the morning was etc. * **2:3** created...: Heb. created to make † **2:6** there...: or, a mist which went up from, etc. ‡ **2:7** of the dust...: Heb. dust of the ground § **2:13** Ethiopia: Heb. Cush ** **2:14** toward...: or, eastward to Assyria †† **2:15** the man: or, Adam ‡‡ **2:16** thou...: Heb. eating thou shalt eat §§ **2:17** thou shalt surely...: Heb. dying thou shalt die *** **2:18** meet...: Heb. as before him ††† **2:19** Adam: or, the man

20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the
field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.‡‡‡
21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took
one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;
22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought
her unto the man.§§§
23 And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called
Woman, because she was taken out of Man.*†
24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife:
and they shall be one flesh.
25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

3

1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had
made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the
garden?*
2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:
3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall
not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.
4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:
5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and
ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.
6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* pleasant to
the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did
eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.†
7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they
sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.‡
8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day:
and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the
trees of the garden.§
9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou?
10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked;
and I hid myself.
11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof
I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?
12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the
tree, and I did eat.
13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the
woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.
14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed
above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust
shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:
15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her
seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.
16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in
sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire *shall be* to thy husband, and he shall
rule over thee.**
17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and
hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed
is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat *of* it all the days of thy life;
18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the
field;††
19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out
of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art,* and unto dust shalt thou return.
20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.‡‡

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‡‡‡ **2:20** gave: Heb. called §§§ **2:22** made: Heb. builded * **2:23** Woman: Heb. Isha † **2:23** Man: Heb. Ish * **3:1** Yea...: Heb. Yea, because, etc. † **3:6** pleasant: Heb. a desire ‡ **3:7** aprons: or, things to gird about § **3:8** cool: Heb. wind ** **3:16** to thy...: or, subject to thy husband †† **3:18** bring...: Heb. cause to bud ‡‡ **3:20** Eve: Heb. Chavah: that is Living

21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.
22 ¶ And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:
23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.
24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

4

1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.*
2 And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.†‡
3 And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.§
4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:**
5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.
6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?
7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.††‡‡
8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.
9 ¶ And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper?
10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.§§
11 And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;
12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.
13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment *is* greater than I can bear.***
14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me.
15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.
16 ¶ And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.
17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.†††
18 And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.‡‡‡
19 ¶ And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.
20 And Adah bare Jabal: he was the father of such as dwell in tents, and *of such as have* cattle.
21 And his brother's name *was* Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ.
22 And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-cain, an instructer of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain *was* Naamah.§§§

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* **4:1** Cain: that is, Gotten, or, Acquired † **4:2** Abel: Heb. Hebel ‡ **4:2** a keeper: Heb. a feeder § **4:3** in process...: Heb. at the end of days ** **4:4** flock: Heb. sheep, or, goats †† **4:7** be accepted: or, have the excellency ‡‡ **4:7** unto...: or, subject unto thee §§ **4:10** blood: Heb. bloods *** **4:13** My...: or, Mine iniquity is greater than that it may be forgiven ††† **4:17** Enoch: Heb. Chanoch ‡‡‡ **4:18** Lamech: Heb. Lemech §§§ **4:22** instructer: Heb. whetter

23 And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech,
hearken unto my speech: for I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my
hurt.*†
24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.
25 ¶ And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name Seth: For
God, *said she,* hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew.‡
26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began
men to call upon the name of the LORD.§**

5

1 This *is* the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the
likeness of God made he him;
2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in
the day when they were created.
3 ¶ And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness,
after his image; and called his name Seth:
4 And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he
begat sons and daughters:
5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.
6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos:*
7 And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and
daughters:
8 And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died.
9 ¶ And Enos lived ninety years, and begat Cainan:†
10 And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons
and daughters:
11 And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and he died.
12 ¶ And Cainan lived seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel:‡
13 And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat
sons and daughters:
14 And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.
15 ¶ And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared:§
16 And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat
sons and daughters:
17 And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.
18 ¶ And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch:
19 And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and
daughters:
20 And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.
21 ¶ And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah:**
22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat
sons and daughters:
23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:
24 And Enoch walked with God: and he *was* not; for God took him.
25 And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lamech:
26 And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and
begat sons and daughters:††
27 And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.
28 ¶ And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and begat a son:
29 And he called his name Noah, saying, This *same* shall comfort us concerning our work
and toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed.‡‡
30 And Lamech lived after he begat Noah five hundred ninety and five years, and begat
sons and daughters:
31 And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven years: and he died.
32 And Noah was five hundred years old: and Noah begat Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

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* **4:23** I have...: or, I would slay a man in my wound, etc. † **4:23** to my hurt: or, in my hurt ‡ **4:25** Seth: Heb. Sheth: that is Appointed, or, Put § **4:26** Enos: Heb. Enosh ** **4:26** to call...: or, to call themselves by the name of the Lord
* **5:6** Enos: Heb. Enosh † **5:9** Cainan: Heb. Kenan ‡ **5:12** Mahalaleel: Gr. Maleleel § **5:15** Jared: Heb. Jered
** **5:21** Methuselah: Gr. Mathusala †† **5:26** Lamech: Heb. Lemech ‡‡ **5:29** Noah: Gr. Noe: that is Rest, or, Comfort

6

1 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters
were born unto them,
2 That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they *were* fair; and they took them
wives of all which they chose.
3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also *is* flesh:
yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.
4 There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of
God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare *children* to them, the same *became*
mighty men which *were* of old, men of renown.
5 ¶ And GOD saw that the wickedness of man *was* great in the earth, and *that* every
imagination of the thoughts of his heart *was* only evil continually.*†
6 And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his
heart.
7 And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth;
both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me
that I have made them.‡
8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.
9 ¶ These *are* the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man *and* perfect in his
generations, *and* Noah walked with God.§
10 And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
11 The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.
12 And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted
his way upon the earth.
13 And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled
with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.**
14 ¶ Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch
it within and without with pitch.††
15 And this *is the fashion* which thou shalt make it *of:* The length of the ark *shall be* three
hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits.
16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the
door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; *with* lower, second, and third *stories* shalt
thou make it.
17 And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh,
wherein *is* the breath of life, from under heaven; *and* every thing that *is* in the earth shall
die.
18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and
thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.
19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every *sort* shalt thou bring into the ark, to
keep *them* alive with thee; they shall be male and female.
20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the
earth after his kind, two of every *sort* shall come unto thee, to keep *them* alive.
21 And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather *it* to thee; and it
shall be for food for thee, and for them.
22 Thus did Noah; according to all that God commanded him, so did he.

7

1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have
I seen righteous before me in this generation.
2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of
beasts that *are* not clean by two, the male and his female.*
3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the
face of all the earth.†
4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights;
and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.‡
5 And Noah did according unto all that the LORD commanded him.

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* **6:5** every...: or, the whole imagination: the Hebrew word signifieth not only the imagination, but also the purposes and desires † **6:5** continually: Heb. every day ‡ **6:7** both...: Heb. from man unto beast § **6:9** perfect: or, upright ** **6:13** with the earth: or, from the earth †† **6:14** rooms: Heb. nests * **7:2** by sevens: Heb. seven seven † **7:3** by sevens: Heb. seven seven ‡ **7:4** destroy: Heb. blot out

6 And Noah *was* six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.
7 ¶ And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.
8 Of clean beasts, and of beasts that *are* not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth,
9 There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.
10 And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth.§
11 ¶ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.**
12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.
13 In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;
14 They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird of every sort.††
15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life.
16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.
17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.
18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.
19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered.
20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.
21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:
22 All in whose nostrils *was* the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry *land*, died.‡‡
23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained *alive*, and they that *were* with him in the ark.
24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

8

1 And God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that *was* with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged;
2 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;
3 And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated.*
4 And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.
5 And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.†
6 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:
7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.‡
8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;
9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.§

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§ **7:10** after...: or, on the seventh day ** **7:11** windows: or, floodgates †† **7:14** sort: Heb. wing ‡‡ **7:22** the breath...: Heb. the breath of the spirit of life * **8:3** continually: Heb. in going and returning † **8:5** decreased...: Heb. were in going and decreasing ‡ **8:7** to...: Heb. in going forth and returning § **8:9** pulled...: Heb. caused her to come

10 And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;
11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth *was* an olive leaf
pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.
12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again
unto him any more.
13 ¶ And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first *month*, the first *day*
of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering
of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.
14 And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth
dried.
15 ¶ And God spake unto Noah, saying,
16 Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.
17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of fowl, and
of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed
abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.
18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:
19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the
earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.**
20 ¶ And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every
clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.
21 And the LORD smelled a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again
curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from
his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.††‡‡
22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and
winter, and day and night shall not cease.§§

9

1 And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and
replenish the earth.
2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and
upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of
the sea; into your hand are they delivered.
3 Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I
given you all things.
4 But flesh with the life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.
5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I
require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the
life of man.
6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God
made he man.
7 And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply
therein.
8 ¶ And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,
9 And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;
10 And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every
beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth.
11 And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more
by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.
12 And God said, This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and
every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations:
13 I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and
the earth.
14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be
seen in the cloud:
15 And I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living
creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.
16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the
everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the
earth.

** **8:19** kinds: Heb. families †† **8:21** a sweet...: Heb. a savour of rest or, satisfaction ‡‡ **8:21** for the imagination: or, through the imagination §§ **8:22** While...: Heb. As yet all the days of the earth

17 And God said unto Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established
between me and all flesh that *is* upon the earth.
18 ¶ And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth:
and Ham *is* the father of Canaan.*
19 These *are* the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread.
20 And Noah began *to be* an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:
21 And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.
22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two
brethren without.
23 And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went
backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces *were* backward, and
they saw not their father's nakedness.
24 And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.
25 And he said, Cursed *be* Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.
26 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.†
27 God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall
be his servant.‡
28 ¶ And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.
29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.

10

1 Now these *are* the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto
them were sons born after the flood.
2 The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and
Meshech, and Tiras.
3 And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.
4 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.*
5 By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue,
after their families, in their nations.
6 ¶ And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan.
7 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtecha: and
the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.
8 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.
9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the
mighty hunter before the LORD.
10 And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the
land of Shinar.†
11 Out of that land went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and the city Rehoboth, and
Calah,‡§
12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same *is* a great city.
13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,
14 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,) and Caphtorim.
15 ¶ And Canaan begat Sidon his firstborn, and Heth,**
16 And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite,
17 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,
18 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the
families of the Canaanites spread abroad.
19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza;
as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.††
20 These *are* the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries,
and in their nations.
21 ¶ Unto Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder,
even to him were *children* born.
22 The children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.‡‡
23 And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.
24 And Arphaxad begat Salah; and Salah begat Eber.§§

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* **9:18** Canaan: Heb. Chenaan † **9:26** his servant: or, servant to them ‡ **9:27** enlarge: or, persuade * **10:4** Dodanim: or, as some read it, Rodanim † **10:10** Babel: Gr. Babylon ‡ **10:11** went...: or, he went out into Assyria § **10:11** the city...: or, the streets of the city ** **10:15** Sidon: Heb. Tzidon †† **10:19** Gaza: Heb. Azzah ‡‡ **10:22** Arphaxad: Heb. Arpachshad §§ **10:24** Salah: Heb. Shelah

25 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one *was* Peleg; for in his days was the
earth divided; and his brother's name *was* Joktan.***
26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,
27 And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah,
28 And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba,
29 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these *were* the sons of Joktan.
30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east.
31 These *are* the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after
their nations.
32 These *are* the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and
by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.

11

1 And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.*†
2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land
of Shinar; and they dwelt there.‡
3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And
they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter.§**
4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven;
and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.
5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men
builded.
6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this
they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined
to do.
7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand
one another's speech.
8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they
left off to build the city.
9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the
language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the
face of all the earth.††
10 ¶ These *are* the generations of Shem: Shem *was* an hundred years old, and begat
Arphaxad two years after the flood:
11 And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and
daughters.
12 And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat Salah:
13 And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons
and daughters.
14 And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber:
15 And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and
daughters.
16 And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg:‡‡
17 And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and
daughters.
18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu:
19 And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and
daughters.
20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat Serug:§§
21 And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and
daughters.
22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor:
23 And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and
daughters.
24 And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah:***
25 And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons
and daughters.

*** **10:25** Peleg: that is Division * **11:1** language: Heb. lip. † **11:1** speech: Heb. words ‡ **11:2** from...: or, eastward § **11:3** they said...: Heb. a man said to his neighbour ** **11:3** burn...: Heb. burn them to a burning †† **11:9** Babel: that is, Confusion ‡‡ **11:16** Peleg: Gr. Phalec §§ **11:20** Serug: Gr. Saruch *** **11:24** Terah: Gr. Thara

26 And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.
27 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and
Haran begat Lot.
28 And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.
29 And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife *was* Sarai; and the
name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father
of Iscah.
30 But Sarai was barren; she *had* no child.
31 And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his
daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the
Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.
32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

12

1 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred,
and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:
2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great;
and thou shalt be a blessing:
3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall
all families of the earth be blessed.
4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and
Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.
5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that
they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go
into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.
6 ¶ And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh.
And the Canaanite *was* then in the land.*
7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and
there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.
8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his
tent, *having* Beth-el on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the
LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.
9 And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south.†
10 ¶ And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn
there; for the famine *was* grievous in the land.
11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai
his wife, Behold now, I know that thou *art* a fair woman to look upon:
12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say,
This *is* his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive.
13 Say, I pray thee, thou *art* my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my
soul shall live because of thee.
14 ¶ And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld
the woman that she *was* very fair.
15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the
woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.
16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses,
and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.
17 And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai
Abram's wife.
18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What *is* this *that* thou hast done unto me? why
didst thou not tell me that she *was* thy wife?
19 Why saidst thou, She *is* my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now
therefore behold thy wife, take *her*, and go thy way.
20 And Pharaoh commanded *his* men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his
wife, and all that he had.

13

1 And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him,
into the south.
2 And Abram *was* very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.

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* **12:6** plain: Heb. plains † **12:9** going...: Heb. in going and journeying

3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to Beth-el, unto the place where his
tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Hai;
4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called
on the name of the LORD.
5 ¶ And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents.
6 And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their
substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.
7 And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's
cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.
8 And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and
between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we *be* brethren.*
9 *Is* not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if *thou wilt*
take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if *thou depart* to the right hand, then I will
go to the left.
10 And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it *was* well watered
every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, *even* as the garden of the
LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar.
11 Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated
themselves the one from the other.
12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and
pitched *his* tent toward Sodom.
13 But the men of Sodom *were* wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.
14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up
now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and
eastward, and westward:
15 For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.
16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust
of the earth, *then* shall thy seed also be numbered.
17 Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it
unto thee.
18 Then Abram removed *his* tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which *is* in
Hebron, and built there an altar unto the LORD.†

14

1 And it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar,
Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations;
2 *That these* made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah,
Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is Zoar.
3 All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.
4 Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.
5 And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that *were* with him, and
smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in
Shaveh Kiriathaim,*
6 And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto El-paran, which *is* by the wilderness.†
7 And they returned, and came to En-mishpat, which *is* Kadesh, and smote all the country
of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezon-tamar.
8 And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of
Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same *is* Zoar;) and they joined
battle with them in the vale of Siddim;
9 With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel
king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five.
10 And the vale of Siddim *was full of* slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah
fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.
11 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went
their way.
12 And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and
departed.

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* **13:8** brethren: Heb. men brethren † **13:18** plain: Heb. plains * **14:5** Shaveh...: or, The plain of Kiriathaim
† **14:6** El-paran: or, The plain of Paran

13 ¶ And there came one that had escaped, and told Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in
the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these *were*
confederate with Abram.‡
14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed his trained
servants, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued *them* unto
Dan.§**
15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them,
and pursued them unto Hobah, which *is* on the left hand of Damascus.
16 And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his
goods, and the women also, and the people.
17 ¶ And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of
Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that *were* with him, at the valley of Shaveh, which *is* the
king's dale.
18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he *was* the priest
of the most high God.
19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed *be* Abram of the most high God, possessor of
heaven and earth:
20 And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand.
And he gave him tithes of all.
21 And the king of Sodom said unto Abram, Give me the persons, and take the goods to
thyself.††
22 And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most
high God, the possessor of heaven and earth,
23 That I will not *take* from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any
thing that *is* thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich:
24 Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which
went with me, Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let them take their portion.

15

1 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not,
Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward.
2 And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the
steward of my house *is* this Eliezer of Damascus?
3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house
is mine heir.
4 And, behold, the word of the LORD *came* unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir;
but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.
5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars,
if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.
6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.
7 And he said unto him, I *am* the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give
thee this land to inherit it.
8 And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?
9 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years
old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.
10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one
against another: but the birds divided he not.
11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them away.
12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror
of great darkness fell upon him.
13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land
that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;
14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they
come out with great substance.
15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.
16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the
Amorites *is* not yet full.
17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking
furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.*

‡ **14:13** plain: Heb. plains § **14:14** armed: or, led forth ** **14:14** trained: or, instructed †† **14:21** persons: Heb. souls * **15:17** a burning...: Heb. a lamp of fire

18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I
given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:
19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,
20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims,
21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

16

1 Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian,
whose name *was* Hagar.
2 And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing:
I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram
hearkened to the voice of Sarai.*
3 And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten
years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.
4 ¶ And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had
conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.
5 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong *be* upon thee: I have given my maid into thy
bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD
judge between me and thee.
6 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her as it pleaseth thee.
And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.†‡
7 ¶ And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the
fountain in the way to Shur.
8 And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And
she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.
9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself
under her hands.
10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it
shall not be numbered for multitude.
11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a
son, and shalt call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.§
12 And he will be a wild man; his hand *will be* against every man, and every man's hand
against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.
13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she
said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?
14 Wherefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; behold, *it is* between Kadesh and
Bered.**
15 ¶ And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare,
Ishmael.
16 And Abram *was* fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

17

1 And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and
said unto him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.*
2 And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.
3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,
4 As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.†
5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for
a father of many nations have I made thee.‡
6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall
come out of thee.
7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their
generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.
8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger,
all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.§

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* **16:2** obtain...: Heb. be built by her † **16:6** as...: Heb. that which is good in thine eyes ‡ **16:6** dealt...: Heb. afflicted her § **16:11** Ishmael: that is, God shall hear ** **16:14** Beer-lahai-roi: that is, The well of him that liveth and seeth me * **17:1** perfect: or, upright, or, sincere † **17:4** many...: Heb. multitude of nations ‡ **17:5** Abraham: that is, Father of a great multitude § **17:8** wherein...: Heb. of thy sojournings

9 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy
seed after thee in their generations.
10 This *is* my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee;
Every man child among you shall be circumcised.
11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the
covenant betwixt me and you.
12 And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your
generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is*
not of thy seed.**
13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be
circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.
14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that
soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.
15 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai,
but Sarah *shall* her name *be*.††
16 And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall
be *a mother* of nations; kings of people shall be of her.‡‡
17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall *a child* be
born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?
18 And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee!
19 And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name
Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, *and* with his
seed after him.
20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him
fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make
him a great nation.
21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this
set time in the next year.
22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.
23 ¶ And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all
that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and
circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him.
24 And Abraham *was* ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of
his foreskin.
25 And Ishmael his son *was* thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of
his foreskin.
26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.
27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger,
were circumcised with him.

18

1 And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in
the heat of the day;*
2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw
them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,
3 And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee,
from thy servant:
4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under
the tree:
5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass
on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.†‡
6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three
measures of fine meal, knead *it*, and make cakes upon the hearth.§
7 And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave *it* unto a
young man; and he hasted to dress it.
8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set *it* before them;
and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.
9 ¶ And they said unto him, Where *is* Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

** **17:12** he that is eight...: Heb. a son of eight days †† **17:15** Sarah: that is Princess ‡‡ **17:16** she...: Heb. she shall become nations * **18:1** plain: Heb. plains † **18:5** comfort: Heb. stay ‡ **18:5** are...: Heb. you have passed § **18:6** Make ready...: Heb. Hasten

10 And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah
thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard *it* in the tent door, which *was* behind him.
11 Now Abraham and Sarah *were* old *and* well stricken in age; *and* it ceased to be with
Sarah after the manner of women.
12 Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have
pleasure, my lord being old also?
13 And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a
surety bear a child, which am old?
14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee,
according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.
15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but
thou didst laugh.
16 ¶ And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went
with them to bring them on the way.
17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;
18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the
nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?
19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and
they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring
upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.
20 And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because
their sin is very grievous;
21 I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of
it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.
22 And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham
stood yet before the LORD.
23 ¶ And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the
wicked?
24 Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not
spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein?
25 That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked:
and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge
of all the earth do right?
26 And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare
all the place for their sakes.
27 And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto
the Lord, which *am but* dust and ashes:
28 Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city
for *lack of* five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy *it*.
29 And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found
there. And he said, I will not do *it* for forty's sake.
30 And he said *unto him*, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure
there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do *it*, if I find thirty there.
31 And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure
there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for twenty's sake.
32 And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once:
Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for ten's sake.
33 And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and
Abraham returned unto his place.

19

1 And there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot
seeing *them* rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;
2 And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and
tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And
they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night.
3 And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his
house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.
4 ¶ But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the
house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:
5 And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where *are* the men which came in to thee
this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.

6 And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,
7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.
8 Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.
9 And they said, Stand back. And they said *again*, This one *fellow* came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and came near to break the door.
10 But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.
11 And they smote the men that *were* at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.
12 ¶ And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring *them* out of this place:
13 For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.
14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.
15 ¶ And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in the iniquity of the city.*†
16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.
17 ¶ And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.
18 And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:
19 Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:
20 Behold now, this city *is* near to flee unto, and it *is* a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (*is* it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.
21 And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.‡
22 Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.§
23 ¶ The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.**
24 Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;
25 And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.
26 ¶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.
27 ¶ And Abraham gat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD:
28 And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.
29 ¶ And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.
30 ¶ And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.
31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father *is* old, and *there is* not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:
32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.
33 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

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* **19:15** are here: Heb. are found † **19:15** iniquity: or, punishment ‡ **19:21** thee: Heb. thy face § **19:22** Zoar: that is, Little ** **19:23** risen: Heb. gone forth

34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I
lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in,
and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.
35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay
with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.
36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.
37 And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same *is* the father of the
Moabites unto this day.
38 And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Ben-ammi: the same *is* the
father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

20

1 And Abraham journeyed from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between
Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.
2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She *is* my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent,
and took Sarah.
3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou *art but* a
dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she *is* a man's wife.*
4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, Lord, wilt thou slay also a righteous
nation?
5 Said he not unto me, She *is* my sister? and she, even she herself said, He *is* my brother:
in the integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.†
6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of
thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to
touch her.
7 Now therefore restore the man *his* wife; for he *is* a prophet, and he shall pray for thee,
and thou shalt live: and if thou restore *her* not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou,
and all that *are* thine.
8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all
these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.
9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and
what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin?
thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.
10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?
11 And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God *is* not in this place; and
they will slay me for my wife's sake.
12 And yet indeed *she is* my sister; she *is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter
of my mother; and she became my wife.
13 And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I
said unto her, This *is* thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither
we shall come, say of me, He *is* my brother.
14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and
gave *them* unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.
15 And Abimelech said, Behold, my land *is* before thee: dwell where it pleaseth thee.‡
16 And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand *pieces* of silver:
behold, he *is* to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with thee, and with all *other:*
thus she was reproved.
17 ¶ So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his
maidservants; and they bare *children*.
18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of
Sarah Abraham's wife.

21

1 And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had
spoken.
2 For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which
God had spoken to him.
3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to
him, Isaac.

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* **20:3** a man's...: Heb. married to an husband † **20:5** integrity: or, simplicity, or, sincerity ‡ **20:15** where...: Heb. as is good in thine eyes

4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.
5 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.
6 ¶ And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, *so that* all that hear will laugh with me.
7 And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? for I have born *him* a son in his old age.
8 And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the *same* day that Isaac was weaned.
9 ¶ And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.
10 Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, *even* with Isaac.
11 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.
12 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.
13 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he *is* thy seed.
14 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave *it* unto Hagar, putting *it* on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.
15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.
16 And she went, and sat her down over against *him* a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against *him*, and lift up her voice, and wept.
17 And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he *is*.
18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation.
19 And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.
20 And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer.
21 And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.
22 ¶ And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phichol the chief captain of his host spake unto Abraham, saying, God *is* with thee in all that thou doest:
23 Now therefore swear unto me here by God that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son: *but* according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.*
24 And Abraham said, I will swear.
25 And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away.
26 And Abimelech said, I wot not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell me, neither yet heard I *of it*, but to day.
27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and both of them made a covenant.
28 And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.
29 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What *mean* these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves?
30 And he said, For *these* seven ewe lambs shalt thou take of my hand, that they may be a witness unto me, that I have digged this well.
31 Wherefore he called that place Beer-sheba; because there they sware both of them.†
32 Thus they made a covenant at Beer-sheba: then Abimelech rose up, and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.
33 ¶ And *Abraham* planted a grove in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of the LORD, the everlasting God.‡
34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.

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* **21:23** that thou...: Heb. if thou shalt lie unto me † **21:31** Beer-sheba: that is, The well of the oath ‡ **21:33** grove: or, tree

22

1 And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him,
Abraham: and he said, Behold, *here* I *am*.*
2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only *son* Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into
the land of Moriah; and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains
which I will tell thee of.
3 ¶ And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his
young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose
up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.
4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.
5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad
will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.
6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid *it* upon Isaac his son; and
he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.
7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am*
I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where *is* the lamb for a burnt
offering?†
8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so
they went both of them together.
9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar
there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon
the wood.
10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.
11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham,
Abraham: and he said, Here *am* I.
12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for
now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son*
from me.
13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* a ram caught in a
thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt
offering in the stead of his son.
14 And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said *to* this day, In
the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.‡
15 ¶ And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,
16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing,
and hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son:*
17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars
of the heaven, and as the sand which *is* upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the
gate of his enemies;§
18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed
my voice.
19 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-
sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.
20 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, Behold,
Milcah, she hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor;
21 Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram,
22 And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel.
23 And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's
brother.**
24 And his concubine, whose name *was* Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and
Thahash, and Maachah.

23

1 And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: *these were* the years of the
life of Sarah.
2 And Sarah died in Kirjath-arba; the same *is* Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham
came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.
3 ¶ And Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Heth, saying,

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* **22:1** Behold...: Heb. Behold me † **22:7** lamb: or, kid ‡ **22:14** Jehovah-jireh: that is, The Lord will see, or, provide
§ **22:17** shore: Heb. lip ** **22:23** Rebekah: Gr. Rebecca

4 I *am* a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace with
you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.
5 And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him,
6 Hear us, my lord: thou *art* a mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres
bury thy dead; none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest
bury thy dead.*
7 And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, *even* to the
children of Heth.
8 And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out
of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,
9 That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which *is* in the end of his
field; for as much money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a buryingplace
amongst you.†
10 And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered
Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth, *even* of all that went in at the gate of
his city, saying,‡
11 Nay, my lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that *is* therein, I give it thee;
in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.
12 And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.
13 And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if thou
wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take *it* of me, and I will
bury my dead there.
14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,
15 My lord, hearken unto me: the land *is worth* four hundred shekels of silver; what *is*
that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.
16 And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver,
which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver,
current *money* with the merchant.
17 ¶ And the field of Ephron, which *was* in Machpelah, which *was* before Mamre, the
field, and the cave which *was* therein, and all the trees that *were* in the field, that *were* in
all the borders round about, were made sure
18 Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that
went in at the gate of his city.
19 And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah
before Mamre: the same *is* Hebron in the land of Canaan.
20 And the field, and the cave that *is* therein, were made sure unto Abraham for a
possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.

24

1 And Abraham was old, *and* well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in
all things.*
2 And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had,
Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:
3 And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth,
that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among
whom I dwell:
4 But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son
Isaac.
5 And the servant said unto him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow
me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou
camest?
6 And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.
7 ¶ The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land
of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed
will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my
son from thence.
8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this
my oath: only bring not my son thither again.

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* **23:6** a mighty...: Heb. a prince of God † **23:9** as much...: Heb. full money ‡ **23:10** audience: Heb. ears * **24:1** well...: Heb. gone into days

9 And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him
concerning that matter.
10 ¶ And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; for all the
goods of his master *were* in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city
of Nahor.†
11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time
of the evening, *even* the time that women go out to draw *water*.‡
12 And he said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this
day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.
13 Behold, I stand *here* by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come
out to draw water:
14 And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray
thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: *let the
same be* she *that* thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that
thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.
15 ¶ And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out,
who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her
pitcher upon her shoulder.
16 And the damsel *was* very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her:
and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.§
17 And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of
thy pitcher.
18 And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand,
and gave him drink.
19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw *water* for thy camels
also, until they have done drinking.
20 And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well
to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels.
21 And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether the LORD had made his
journey prosperous or not.
22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden
earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *shekels* weight of
gold;**
23 And said, Whose daughter *art* thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room *in* thy father's
house for us to lodge in?
24 And she said unto him, I *am* the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare
unto Nahor.
25 She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room
to lodge in.
26 And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.
27 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left
destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I *being* in the way, the LORD led me to
the house of my master's brethren.
28 And the damsel ran, and told *them of* her mother's house these things.
29 ¶ And Rebekah had a brother, and his name *was* Laban: and Laban ran out unto the
man, unto the well.
30 And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands,
and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me;
that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.
31 And he said, Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for
I have prepared the house, and room for the camels.
32 ¶ And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and
provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that *were* with
him.
33 And there was set *meat* before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told
mine errand. And he said, Speak on.
34 And he said, I *am* Abraham's servant.

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† **24:10** for: or, and ‡ **24:11** that...: Heb. that women who draw water go forth § **24:16** very...: Heb. good of countenance ** **24:22** earring: or, jewel for the forehead

35 And the LORD hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath
given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and
camels, and asses.
36 And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him
hath he given all that he hath.
37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the
daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell:
38 But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my
son.
39 And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.
40 And he said unto me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and
prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's
house:
41 Then shalt thou be clear from *this* my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if
they give not thee *one*, thou shalt be clear from my oath.
42 And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, if
now thou do prosper my way which I go:
43 Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin
cometh forth to draw *water,* and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher
to drink;
44 And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: *let* the same
be the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.
45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her
pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew *water:* and I said unto
her, Let me drink, I pray thee.
46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her *shoulder*, and said, Drink, and
I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.
47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter *art* thou? And she said, The daughter of
Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face,
and the bracelets upon her hands.
48 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God
of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's
daughter unto his son.
49 And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me;
that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.
50 Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we
cannot speak unto thee bad or good.
51 Behold, Rebekah *is* before thee, take *her*, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife,
as the LORD hath spoken.
52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped
the LORD, *bowing himself* to the earth.
53 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and
gave *them* to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.[††]
54 And they did eat and drink, he and the men that *were* with him, and tarried all night;
and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.
55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us *a few* days, at the
least ten; after that she shall go.[‡‡]
56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send
me away that I may go to my master.
57 And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth.
58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said,
I will go.
59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and
his men.
60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou *art* our sister, be thou *the mother*
of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.
61 ¶ And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed
the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.
62 And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.

[††] **24:53** jewels: Heb. vessels [‡‡] **24:55** a few...: or, a full year, or ten months

63 And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes,
and saw, and, behold, the camels *were* coming.§§
64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel.
65 For she *had* said unto the servant, What man *is* this that walketh in the field to meet us?
And the servant *had* said, It *is* my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.
66 And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.
67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became
his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.

25

1 Then again Abraham took a wife, and her name *was* Keturah.
2 And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and
Shuah.
3 And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and
Letushim, and Leummim.
4 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All
these *were* the children of Keturah.
5 ¶ And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.
6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent
them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.
7 And these *are* the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred
threescore and fifteen years.
8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full *of*
years; and was gathered to his people.
9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of
Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which *is* before Mamre;
10 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried,
and Sarah his wife.
11 ¶ And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and
Isaac dwelt by the well Lahai-roi.
12 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian,
Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:
13 And these *are* the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their
generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,
14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,
15 Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah:*
16 These *are* the sons of Ishmael, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their
castles; twelve princes according to their nations.
17 And these *are* the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years:
and he gave up the ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people.
18 And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that *is* before Egypt, as thou goest toward
Assyria: *and* he died in the presence of all his brethren.†
19 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac:
20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel
the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.
21 And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she *was* barren: and the LORD was
intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.
22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If *it be* so, why *am* I thus?
And she went to enquire of the LORD.
23 And the LORD said unto her, Two nations *are* in thy womb, and two manner of people
shall be separated from thy bowels; and *the one* people shall be stronger than *the other*
people; and the elder shall serve the younger.
24 ¶ And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, *there were* twins in her
womb.
25 And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name
Esau.
26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his
name was called Jacob: and Isaac *was* threescore years old when she bare them.
27 And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob *was*
a plain man, dwelling in tents.

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§§ **24:63** to meditate: or, to pray * **25:15** Hadar: or, Hadad † **25:18** died: Heb. fell

28 And Isaac loved Esau, because he did eat of *his* venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.‡
29 ¶ And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he *was* faint:
30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, with that same red *pottage;* for I *am* faint: therefore was his name called Edom.§**
31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.
32 And Esau said, Behold, I *am* at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?††
33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.
34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised *his* birthright.

26

1 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.
2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:
3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;
4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;
5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.
6 ¶ And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:
7 And the men of the place asked *him* of his wife; and he said, She *is* my sister: for he feared to say, *She is* my wife; lest, *said he*, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she *was* fair to look upon.
8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac *was* sporting with Rebekah his wife.
9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she *is* thy wife: and how saidst thou, She *is* my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.
10 And Abimelech said, What *is* this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.
11 And Abimelech charged all *his* people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.
12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.*
13 And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: †
14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him.‡
15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.
16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.
17 ¶ And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.
18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.
19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of springing water.§
20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water *is* ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they strove with him.**
21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah.††

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‡ **25:28** he...: Heb. venison was in his mouth § **25:30** with...: Heb. with that red, with that red pottage ** **25:30** Edom: that is Red †† **25:32** at...: Heb. going to die * **26:12** received: Heb. found † **26:13** went...: Heb. went going ‡ **26:14** servants: or, husbandry § **26:19** springing: Heb. living ** **26:20** Esek: that is, Contention †† **26:21** Sitnah: that is, Hatred

22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not:
and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for
us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.‡‡
23 And he went up from thence to Beer-sheba.
24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, I *am* the God of Abraham
thy father: fear not, for I *am* with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my
servant Abraham's sake.
25 And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his
tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.
26 ¶ Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and
Phichol the chief captain of his army.
27 And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent
me away from you?
28 And they said, We saw certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there be
now an oath betwixt us, *even* betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee;§§
29 That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto
thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou *art* now the blessed of the
LORD.***
30 And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.
31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and Isaac sent
them away, and they departed from him in peace.
32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning
the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water.
33 And he called it Shebah: therefore the name of the city *is* Beer-sheba unto this day.†††‡‡‡
34 ¶ And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the
Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
35 Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.§§§

27

1 And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could
not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him,
Behold, *here am* I.
2 And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:
3 Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the
field, and take me *some* venison;*
4 And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my
soul may bless thee before I die.
5 And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to
hunt *for* venison, *and* to bring *it*.
6 ¶ And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto
Esau thy brother, saying,
7 Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the
LORD before my death.
8 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee.
9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will
make them savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth:
10 And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before
his death.
11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother *is* a hairy man, and I
am a smooth man:
12 My father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall
bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing.
13 And his mother said unto him, Upon me *be* thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and
go fetch me *them*.
14 And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother made
savoury meat, such as his father loved.

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‡‡ **26:22** Rehoboth: that is Room §§ **26:28** We saw...: Heb. Seeing we saw *** **26:29** That...: Heb. If thou shalt
††† **26:33** Shebah: That is, an oath ‡‡‡ **26:33** Beer-sheba: that is, the well of the oath §§§ **26:35** a grief...: Heb.
bitterness of spirit * **27:3** take: Heb. hunt

15 And Rebekah took goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the
house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:†
16 And she put the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of
his neck:
17 And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand
of her son Jacob.
18 ¶ And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I; who *art*
thou, my son?
19 And Jacob said unto his father, I *am* Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou
badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me.
20 And Isaac said unto his son, How *is it* that thou hast found *it* so quickly, my son? And
he said, Because the LORD thy God brought *it* to me.‡
21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether
thou *be* my very son Esau or not.
22 And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice *is* Jacob's
voice, but the hands *are* the hands of Esau.
23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands:
so he blessed him.
24 And he said, *Art* thou my very son Esau? And he said, I *am*.
25 And he said, Bring *it* near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may
bless thee. And he brought *it* near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and
he drank.
26 And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.
27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed
him, and said, See, the smell of my son *is* as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed:
28 Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty
of corn and wine:
29 Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and
let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed *be* every one that curseth thee, and blessed
be he that blesseth thee.
30 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob
was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came
in from his hunting.
31 And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his
father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.
32 And Isaac his father said unto him, Who *art* thou? And he said, I *am* thy son, thy
firstborn Esau.
33 And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Who? where *is* he that hath taken
venison, and brought *it* me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed
him? yea, *and* he shall be blessed.§**
34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding
bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.
35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing.
36 And he said, Is not he rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times:
he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said,
Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?††
37 And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Behold, I have made him thy lord, and all his
brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him:
and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?‡‡
38 And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even*
me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.
39 And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be the
fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;§§
40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass
when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.
41 ¶ And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and
Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my
brother Jacob.

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† **27:15** goodly: Heb. desirable ‡ **27:20** to me: Heb. before me § **27:33** trembled...: Heb. trembled with a great trembling greatly ** **27:33** taken: Heb. hunted †† **27:36** Jacob: that is, A supplanter ‡‡ **27:37** sustained: or, supported §§ **27:39** the fatness: or, of the fatness

42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called
Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth
comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.
43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to
Haran;
44 And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away;
45 Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done
to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence: why should I be deprived also of you
both in one day?
46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if
Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the
land, what good shall my life do me?

28

1 And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou
shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.
2 Arise, go to Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a
wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.
3 And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou
mayest be a multitude of people;*
4 And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou
mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.†
5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the
Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.
6 ¶ When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, to
take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou
shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan;
7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;
8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan pleased not Isaac his father;‡
9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto the wives which he had Mahalath the
daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.§
10 ¶ And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.**
11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was
set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in
that place to sleep.
12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to
heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.
13 And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy
father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy
seed;
14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west,
and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the
families of the earth be blessed.††
15 And, behold, I *am* with thee, and will keep thee in all *places* whither thou goest, and
will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done *that* which I
have spoken to thee of.
16 ¶ And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and
I knew *it* not.
17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful *is* this place! this *is* none other but the
house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven.
18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put *for* his
pillows, and set it up *for* a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.
19 And he called the name of that place Beth-el: but the name of that city *was called* Luz
at the first.‡‡
20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way
that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,
21 So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God:

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* **28:3** a multitude...: Heb. an assembly of people † **28:4** wherein...: Heb. of thy sojournings ‡ **28:8** pleased...: Heb. were evil in the eyes, etc § **28:9** Mahalath: or, Bashemath ** **28:10** Haran: Gr. Charran †† **28:14** spread...: Heb. break forth ‡‡ **28:19** Beth-el: that is, The house of God

22 And this stone, which I have set *for* a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou
shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.

29

1 Then Jacob went on his journey, and came into the land of the people of the east.*†
2 And he looked, and behold a well in the field, and, lo, there *were* three flocks of sheep
lying by it; for out of that well they watered the flocks: and a great stone *was* upon the
well's mouth.
3 And thither were all the flocks gathered: and they rolled the stone from the well's
mouth, and watered the sheep, and put the stone again upon the well's mouth in his place.
4 And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, whence *be* ye? And they said, Of Haran *are* we.
5 And he said unto them, Know ye Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know *him*.
6 And he said unto them, *Is* he well? And they said, *He is* well: and, behold, Rachel his
daughter cometh with the sheep.‡
7 And he said, Lo, *it is* yet high day, neither *is it* time that the cattle should be gathered
together: water ye the sheep, and go *and* feed *them*.§
8 And they said, We cannot, until all the flocks be gathered together, and *till* they roll the
stone from the well's mouth; then we water the sheep.
9 ¶ And while he yet spake with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep: for she kept
them.
10 And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's
brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled
the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.
11 And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.
12 And Jacob told Rachel that he *was* her father's brother, and that he *was* Rebekah's son:
and she ran and told her father.
13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard the tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran
to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he
told Laban all these things.**
14 And Laban said to him, Surely thou *art* my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him
the space of a month.††
15 ¶ And Laban said unto Jacob, Because thou *art* my brother, shouldest thou therefore
serve me for nought? tell me, what *shall* thy wages *be*?
16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder *was* Leah, and the name of the
younger *was* Rachel.
17 Leah *was* tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.
18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger
daughter.
19 And Laban said, *It is* better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another
man: abide with me.
20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him *but* a few days,
for the love he had to her.
21 ¶ And Jacob said unto Laban, Give *me* my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go
in unto her.
22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.
23 And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to
him; and he went in unto her.
24 And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid *for* an handmaid.
25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it *was* Leah: and he said to Laban,
What *is* this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? wherefore then
hast thou beguiled me?
26 And Laban said, It must not be so done in our country, to give the younger before the
firstborn.‡‡
27 Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve
with me yet seven other years.
28 And Jacob did so, and fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife
also.
29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.

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* **29:1** went...: Heb. lift up his feet † **29:1** people: Heb. children ‡ **29:6** Is he...: Heb. Is there peace to him?
§ **29:7** it is...: Heb. yet the day is great ** **29:13** tidings: Heb. hearing †† **29:14** the space...: Heb. a month of days
‡‡ **29:26** country: Heb. place

30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served
with him yet seven other years.
31 ¶ And when the LORD saw that Leah *was* hated, he opened her womb: but Rachel *was*
barren.
32 And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name Reuben: for she said,
Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love
me.§§
33 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the LORD hath heard that
I *was* hated, he hath therefore given me this *son* also: and she called his name Simeon.***
34 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Now this time will my husband be
joined unto me, because I have born him three sons: therefore was his name called Levi.†††
35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, Now will I praise the LORD:
therefore she called his name Judah; and left bearing.‡‡‡§§§

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1 And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister; and
said unto Jacob, Give me children, or else I die.
2 And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, *Am* I in God's stead, who
hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?
3 And she said, Behold my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; and she shall bear upon my knees,
that I may also have children by her.*
4 And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in unto her.
5 And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.
6 And Rachel said, God hath judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me
a son: therefore called she his name Dan.†
7 And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.
8 And Rachel said, With great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have
prevailed: and she called his name Naphtali.‡§
9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her maid, and gave her Jacob
to wife.
10 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son.
11 And Leah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name Gad.**
12 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.
13 And Leah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she called his
name Asher.††‡‡
14 ¶ And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found mandrakes in the field,
and brought them unto his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, Give me, I pray thee, of
thy son's mandrakes.
15 And she said unto her, *Is it* a small matter that thou hast taken my husband? and
wouldest thou take away my son's mandrakes also? And Rachel said, Therefore he shall
lie with thee to night for thy son's mandrakes.
16 And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and
said, Thou must come in unto me; for surely I have hired thee with my son's mandrakes.
And he lay with her that night.
17 And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob the fifth son.
18 And Leah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my
husband: and she called his name Issachar.§§
19 And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.
20 And Leah said, God hath endued me *with* a good dowry; now will my husband dwell
with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name Zebulun.***
21 And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name Dinah.†††
22 ¶ And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.
23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach:

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§§ **29:32** Reuben: that is, See a son *** **29:33** Simeon: that is, Hearing ††† **29:34** Levi: that is, Joined ‡‡‡ **29:35** Judah: that is, Praise §§§ **29:35** left...: Heb. stood from bearing * **30:3** have...: Heb. be built by her † **30:6** Dan: that is, Judging ‡ **30:8** great...: Heb. wrestlings of God § **30:8** Naphtali: that is, My wrestling: Gr. Nephthalim ** **30:11** Gad: that is, A troop, or, company †† **30:13** Happy...: Heb. In my happiness ‡‡ **30:13** Asher: that is, Happy §§ **30:18** Issachar: that is, An hire *** **30:20** Zebulun: that is, Dwelling: Gr. Zabulon ††† **30:21** Dinah: that is Judgment

24 And she called his name Joseph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son.‡‡‡
25 ¶ And it came to pass, when Rachel had born Joseph, that Jacob said unto Laban, Send
me away, that I may go unto mine own place, and to my country.
26 Give *me* my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for
thou knowest my service which I have done thee.
27 And Laban said unto him, I pray thee, if I have found favour in thine eyes, *tarry: for* I
have learned by experience that the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake.
28 And he said, Appoint me thy wages, and I will give *it*.
29 And he said unto him, Thou knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was
with me.
30 For *it was* little which thou hadst before I *came*, and it is *now* increased unto a
multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee since my coming: and now when shall I provide
for mine own house also?§§§*
31 And he said, What shall I give thee? And Jacob said, Thou shalt not give me any thing:
if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed *and* keep thy flock:
32 I will pass through all thy flock to day, removing from thence all the speckled and
spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled
among the goats: and *of such* shall be my hire.
33 So shall my righteousness answer for me in time to come, when it shall come for my
hire before thy face: every one that *is* not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown
among the sheep, that shall be counted stolen with me.†
34 And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be according to thy word.
35 And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the
she goats that were speckled and spotted, *and* every one that had *some* white in it, and all
the brown among the sheep, and gave *them* into the hand of his sons.
36 And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of
Laban's flocks.
37 ¶ And Jacob took him rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and chesnut tree; and pilled
white strakes in them, and made the white appear which *was* in the rods.
38 And he set the rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the gutters in the watering
troughs when the flocks came to drink, that they should conceive when they came to drink.
39 And the flocks conceived before the rods, and brought forth cattle ringstraked,
speckled, and spotted.
40 And Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the
ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by
themselves, and put them not unto Laban's cattle.
41 And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger cattle did conceive, that Jacob laid the
rods before the eyes of the cattle in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.
42 But when the cattle were feeble, he put *them* not in: so the feebler were Laban's, and
the stronger Jacob's.
43 And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants, and
menservants, and camels, and asses.

31

1 And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob hath taken away all that *was* our
father's; and of *that* which *was* our father's hath he gotten all this glory.
2 And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it *was* not toward him as
before.*
3 And the LORD said unto Jacob, Return unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred;
and I will be with thee.
4 And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his flock,
5 And said unto them, I see your father's countenance, that it *is* not toward me as before;
but the God of my father hath been with me.
6 And ye know that with all my power I have served your father.
7 And your father hath deceived me, and changed my wages ten times; but God suffered
him not to hurt me.
8 If he said thus, The speckled shall be thy wages; then all the cattle bare speckled: and if
he said thus, The ringstraked shall be thy hire; then bare all the cattle ringstraked.
9 Thus God hath taken away the cattle of your father, and given *them* to me.

‡‡‡ **30:24** Joseph: that is, Adding
§§§ **30:30** increased: Heb. broken forth
* **30:30** since...: Heb. at my foot
† **30:33** in time...: Heb. to morrow
* **31:2** as before: Heb. as yesterday and the day before

10 And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that I lifted up mine eyes,
and saw in a dream, and, behold, the rams which leaped upon the cattle *were* ringstraked,
speckled, and grisled.†
11 And the angel of God spake unto me in a dream, *saying*, Jacob: And I said, Here *am* I.
12 And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the cattle
are ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for I have seen all that Laban doeth unto thee.
13 I *am* the God of Beth-el, where thou anointedst the pillar, *and* where thou vowedst
a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy
kindred.
14 And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him, *Is there* yet any portion or
inheritance for us in our father's house?
15 Are we not counted of him strangers? for he hath sold us, and hath quite devoured
also our money.
16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that *is* ours, and our children's:
now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do.
17 ¶ Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels;
18 And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he had gotten, the cattle of
his getting, which he had gotten in Padan-aram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of
Canaan.
19 And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachel had stolen the images that *were* her
father's.‡
20 And Jacob stole away unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he
fled.§
21 So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set his
face *toward* the mount Gilead.
22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.
23 And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and
they overtook him in the mount Gilead.
24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said unto him, Take heed
that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.**
25 ¶ Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban
with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.
26 And Laban said to Jacob, What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away unawares
to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives *taken* with the sword?
27 Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and steal away from me; and didst not tell me,
that I might have sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp?††
28 And hast not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? thou hast now done
foolishly in *so* doing.
29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake unto me
yesternight, saying, Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.
30 And now, *though* thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy
father's house, *yet* wherefore hast thou stolen my gods?
31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure
thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me.
32 With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, let him not live: before our brethren discern
thou what *is* thine with me, and take *it* to thee. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen
them.
33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants'
tents; but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's
tent.
34 Now Rachel had taken the images, and put them in the camel's furniture, and sat upon
them. And Laban searched all the tent, but found *them* not.‡‡
35 And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I cannot rise up before thee;
for the custom of women *is* upon me. And he searched, but found not the images.
36 ¶ And Jacob was wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban,
What *is* my trespass? what *is* my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?

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† **31:10** rams: or, he goats ‡ **31:19** images: Heb. teraphim § **31:20** unawares...: Heb. the heart of Laban ** **31:24** either...: Heb. from good to bad †† **31:27** steal...: Heb. hast stolen me ‡‡ **31:34** searched: Heb. felt

37 Whereas thou hast searched all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household
stuff? set *it* here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us
both.§§
38 This twenty years *have* I *been* with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their
young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.
39 That which was torn *of beasts* I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of my hand
didst thou require it, *whether* stolen by day, or stolen by night.
40 *Thus* I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep
departed from mine eyes.
41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two
daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou hast changed my wages ten times.
42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with
me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God hath seen mine affliction and the
labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* yesternight.
43 ¶ And Laban answered and said unto Jacob, *These* daughters *are* my daughters, and
these children *are* my children, and *these* cattle *are* my cattle, and all that thou seest *is* mine:
and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have
born?
44 Now therefore come thou, let us make a covenant, I and thou; and let it be for a witness
between me and thee.
45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up *for* a pillar.
46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made an
heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.
47 And Laban called it Jegar-sahadutha: but Jacob called it Galeed.***†††
48 And Laban said, This heap *is* a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was
the name of it called Galeed;
49 And Mizpah; for he said, The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are absent
one from another.‡‡‡
50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take *other* wives beside my daughters,
no man *is* with us; see, God *is* witness betwixt me and thee.
51 And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold *this* pillar, which I have cast
betwixt me and thee;
52 This heap *be* witness, and *this* pillar *be* witness, that I will not pass over this heap to
thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.
53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge betwixt us.
And Jacob sware by the fear of his father Isaac.
54 Then Jacob offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread: and
they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.§§§
55 And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and
blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned unto his place.

32

1 And Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him.
2 And when Jacob saw them, he said, This *is* God's host: and he called the name of that
place Mahanaim.*
3 And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto the land of Seir, the
country of Edom.†
4 And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye speak unto my lord Esau; Thy servant
Jacob saith thus, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed there until now:
5 And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and menservants, and womenservants: and I have
sent to tell my lord, that I may find grace in thy sight.
6 ¶ And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau, and also
he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him.
7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed: and he divided the people that *was* with
him, and the flocks, and herds, and the camels, into two bands;
8 And said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the other company which
is left shall escape.

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§§ **31:37** searched: Heb. felt *** **31:47** Jegar-sahadutha: that is, The heap of witness, Chaldee ††† **31:47** Galeed: that is, The heap of witness, Heb. ‡‡‡ **31:49** Mizpah: that is, A beacon, or, watchtower §§§ **31:54** offered...: or, killed beasts * **32:2** Mahanaim: that is, Two hosts, or, camps † **32:3** country: Heb. field

9 ¶ And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, the LORD
which saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with
thee:
10 I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast
shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become
two bands.‡
11 Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear
him, lest he will come and smite me, *and* the mother with the children.§
12 And thou saidst, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea,
which cannot be numbered for multitude.
13 ¶ And he lodged there that same night; and took of that which came to his hand a
present for Esau his brother;
14 Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams,
15 Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and
ten foals.
16 And he delivered *them* into the hand of his servants, every drove by themselves; and
said unto his servants, Pass over before me, and put a space betwixt drove and drove.
17 And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and
asketh thee, saying, Whose *art* thou? and whither goest thou? and whose *are* these before
thee?
18 Then thou shalt say, *They be* thy servant Jacob's; it *is* a present sent unto my lord Esau:
and, behold, also he *is* behind us.
19 And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves,
saying, On this manner shall ye speak unto Esau, when ye find him.
20 And say ye moreover, Behold, thy servant Jacob *is* behind us. For he said, I will appease
him with the present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face; peradventure
he will accept of me.**
21 So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the company.
22 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two womenservants, and
his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jabbok.
23 And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.††
24 ¶ And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of
the day.‡‡
25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh;
and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.
26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except
thou bless me.
27 And he said unto him, What *is* thy name? And he said, Jacob.
28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast
thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.§§
29 And Jacob asked *him*, and said, Tell *me*, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore
is it *that* thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.
30 And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for I have seen God face to face, and my
life is preserved.***
31 And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.
32 Therefore the children of Israel eat not *of* the sinew which shrank, which *is* upon the
hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the
sinew that shrank.

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1 And Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came, and with him four
hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two
handmaids.
2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after,
and Rachel and Joseph hindermost.
3 And he passed over before them, and bowed himself to the ground seven times, until
he came near to his brother.

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‡ **32:10** I am not...: Heb. I am less than all § **32:11** with: Heb. upon ** **32:20** of me: Heb. my face †† **32:23** sent them: Heb. caused to pass ‡‡ **32:24** breaking...: Heb. ascending of the morning §§ **32:28** Israel: that is, A prince of God *** **32:30** Peniel: that is, The face of God

4 And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and
they wept.
5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who *are* those
with thee? And he said, The children which God hath graciously given thy servant.*
6 Then the handmaidens came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves.
7 And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came
Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.
8 And he said, What *meanest* thou by all this drove which I met? And he said, *These are*
to find grace in the sight of my lord.†
9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself.‡
10 And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive
my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of
God, and thou wast pleased with me.
11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously
with me, and because I have enough. And he urged him, and he took *it*.§
12 And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee.
13 And he said unto him, My lord knoweth that the children *are* tender, and the flocks and
herds with young *are* with me: and if men should overdrive them one day, all the flock will
die.
14 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on softly,
according as the cattle that goeth before me and the children be able to endure, until I
come unto my lord unto Seir.**
15 And Esau said, Let me now leave with thee *some* of the folk that *are* with me. And he
said, What needeth it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord.††‡‡
16 ¶ So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.
17 And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him an house, and made booths for his
cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.§§
18 ¶ And Jacob came to Shalem, a city of Shechem, which *is* in the land of Canaan, when
he came from Padan-aram; and pitched his tent before the city.***
19 And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the
children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for an hundred pieces of money.†††‡‡‡
20 And he erected there an altar, and called it El-elohe-Israel.§§§

34

1 And Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the
daughters of the land.
2 And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, he took
her, and lay with her, and defiled her.*
3 And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spake
kindly unto the damsel.†
4 And Shechem spake unto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this damsel to wife.
5 And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter: now his sons were with his
cattle in the field: and Jacob held his peace until they were come.
6 ¶ And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him.
7 And the sons of Jacob came out of the field when they heard *it:* and the men were
grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had wrought folly in Israel in lying with
Jacob's daughter; which thing ought not to be done.
8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longeth for
your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.
9 And make ye marriages with us, *and* give your daughters unto us, and take our
daughters unto you.
10 And ye shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade ye therein,
and get you possessions therein.

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* **33:5** with...: Heb. to thee † **33:8** What...: Heb. What is all this band to thee? ‡ **33:9** keep...: Heb. be that to thee that is thine § **33:11** enough: Heb. all things ** **33:14** according...: Heb. according to the foot of the work, etc., and according to the foot of the children †† **33:15** leave: Heb. set, or, place ‡‡ **33:15** What...: Heb. Wherefore is this? §§ **33:17** Succoth: that is, Booths *** **33:18** Shechem: Gr. Sychem ††† **33:19** Hamor: Gr. Emmor ‡‡‡ **33:19** pieces...: or, lambs §§§ **33:20** El-elohe-Israel: that is God the God of Israel * **34:2** defiled...: Heb. humbled her † **34:3** kindly...: Heb. to the heart of the damsel

11 And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren, Let me find grace in your
eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.
12 Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I will give according as ye shall say unto
me: but give me the damsel to wife.
13 And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father deceitfully, and said,
because he had defiled Dinah their sister:
14 And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is
uncircumcised; for that *were* a reproach unto us:
15 But in this will we consent unto you: If ye will be as we *be*, that every male of you be
circumcised;
16 Then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and
we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.
17 But if ye will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter,
and we will be gone.
18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son.
19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob's
daughter: and he *was* more honourable than all the house of his father.
20 ¶ And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed
with the men of their city, saying,
21 These men *are* peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade
therein; for the land, behold, *it is* large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us
for wives, and let us give them our daughters.
22 Only herein will the men consent unto us for to dwell with us, to be one people, if every
male among us be circumcised, as they *are* circumcised.
23 *Shall* not their cattle and their substance and every beast of theirs *be* ours? only let us
consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.
24 And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went out of the gate of
his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.
25 ¶ And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of
Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the
city boldly, and slew all the males.
26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah
out of Shechem's house, and went out.‡
27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled
their sister.
28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that which *was* in the city,
and that which *was* in the field,
29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and
spoiled even all that *was* in the house.
30 And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, Ye have troubled me to make me to stink among
the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites: and I *being* few in
number, they shall gather themselves together against me, and slay me; and I shall be
destroyed, I and my house.
31 And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?

35

1 And God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there
an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy
brother.
2 Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that *were* with him, Put away the strange
gods that *are* among you, and be clean, and change your garments:
3 And let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God, who
answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went.
4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which *were* in their hand, and *all
their* earrings which *were* in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which *was* by
Shechem.
5 And they journeyed: and the terror of God was upon the cities that *were* round about
them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.
6 ¶ So Jacob came to Luz, which *is* in the land of Canaan, that *is*, Beth-el, he and all the
people that *were* with him.

‡ **34:26** edge: Heb. mouth

7 And he built there an altar, and called the place El-beth-el: because there God appeared
unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.*
8 But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak:
and the name of it was called Allon-bachuth.†
9 ¶ And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed
him.
10 And God said unto him, Thy name *is* Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more
Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel.
11 And God said unto him, I *am* God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a
company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins;
12 And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed
after thee will I give the land.
13 And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.
14 And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, *even* a pillar of stone:
and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.
15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Beth-el.
16 ¶ And they journeyed from Beth-el; and there was but a little way to come to Ephrath:
and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.‡
17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear
not; thou shalt have this son also.
18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name
Ben-oni: but his father called him Benjamin.§**
19 And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which *is* Beth-lehem.
20 And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that *is* the pillar of Rachel's grave unto this day.
21 ¶ And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Edar.
22 And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with
Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard *it*. Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:
23 The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and
Issachar, and Zebulun:
24 The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:
25 And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:
26 And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid; Gad, and Asher: these *are* the sons of Jacob,
which were born to him in Padan-aram.
27 ¶ And Jacob came unto Isaac his father unto Mamre, unto the city of Arbah, which *is*
Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.
28 And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.
29 And Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his people, *being* old and
full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

36

1 Now these *are* the generations of Esau, who *is* Edom.
2 Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite,
and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;
3 And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.*
4 And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel;
5 And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these *are* the sons of Esau, which
were born unto him in the land of Canaan.
6 And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the persons of his
house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had got in the land
of Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob.†
7 For their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein
they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle.
8 Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: Esau *is* Edom.
9 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir:‡
10 These *are* the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the
son of Bashemath the wife of Esau.
11 And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.§

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* **35:7** El-beth-el: that is, The God of Beth-el † **35:8** Allon-bachuth: that is, The oak of weeping ‡ **35:16** a little...: Heb. a little piece of ground § **35:18** Ben-oni: that is, The son of my sorrow ** **35:18** Benjamin: that is, The son of the right hand * **36:3** Bashemath: or, Mahalath † **36:6** persons: Heb. souls ‡ **36:9** the Edomites: Heb. Edom § **36:11** Zepho: or, Zephi

12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these
were the sons of Adah Esau's wife.
13 And these *are* the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were
the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.
14 ¶ And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of
Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.
15 ¶ These *were* dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn *son* of Esau;
duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,
16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, *and* duke Amalek: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Eliphaz
in the land of Edom; these *were* the sons of Adah.
17 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah,
duke Mizzah: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Reuel in the land of Edom; these *are* the sons
of Bashemath Esau's wife.
18 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke
Korah: these *were* the dukes *that came* of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.
19 These *are* the sons of Esau, who *is* Edom, and these *are* their dukes.
20 ¶ These *are* the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and
Zibeon, and Anah,
21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these *are* the dukes of the Horites, the children of
Seir in the land of Edom.
22 And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam; and Lotan's sister *was* Timna.**
23 And the children of Shobal *were* these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shepho, and
Onam.††‡‡
24 And these *are* the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this *was that* Anah that
found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father.
25 And the children of Anah *were* these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.
26 And these *are* the children of Dishon; Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.§§
27 The children of Ezer *are* these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan.***
28 The children of Dishan *are* these; Uz, and Aran.
29 These *are* the dukes *that came* of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon,
duke Anah,
30 Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Hori, among
their dukes in the land of Seir.
31 ¶ And these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any
king over the children of Israel.
32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.
33 And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.
34 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.
35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab,
reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.
36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.
37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth *by* the river reigned in his stead.
38 And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.
39 And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the
name of his city *was* Pau; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred,
the daughter of Mezahab.†††
40 And these *are* the names of the dukes *that came* of Esau, according to their families,
after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth,‡‡‡
41 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,
42 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,
43 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these *be* the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations
in the land of their possession: he *is* Esau the father of the Edomites.§§§

37

1 And Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan.*

** **36:22** Hemam: or, Homam †† **36:23** Alvan: or, Alian ‡‡ **36:23** Shepho: or, Shephi §§ **36:26** Hemdan: or, Amram *** **36:27** Akan: or, Jakan ††† **36:39** Hadar, Pau: or, Hadad, Pai: after his death was an Aristocracy ‡‡‡ **36:40** Alvah: or, Aliah §§§ **36:43** the Edomites: Heb. Edom * **37:1** wherein...: Heb. of his father's sojournings

2 These *are* the generations of Jacob. Joseph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the
flock with his brethren; and the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah,
his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report.
3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* the son of his old
age: and he made him a coat of *many* colours.†
4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they
hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.
5 ¶ And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the
more.
6 And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:
7 For, behold, we *were* binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood
upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.
8 And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have
dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.
9 ¶ And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have
dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made
obeisance to me.
10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said
unto him, What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy
brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?
11 And his brethren envied him; but his father observed the saying.
12 ¶ And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.
13 And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed *the flock* in Shechem? come, and
I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, Here *am I*.
14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well
with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he
came to Shechem.‡
15 ¶ And a certain man found him, and, behold, *he was* wandering in the field: and the
man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?
16 And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed *their flocks*.
17 And the man said, They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan.
And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan.
18 And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired
against him to slay him.
19 And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer cometh.§
20 Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say,
Some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams.
21 And Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill
him.
22 And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood, *but* cast him into this pit that *is* in the
wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver
him to his father again.
23 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph
out of his coat, *his* coat of *many* colours that *was* on him;**
24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit *was* empty, *there was* no water
in it.
25 And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold,
a company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm
and myrrh, going to carry *it* down to Egypt.
26 And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and conceal
his blood?
27 Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he
is our brother *and* our flesh. And his brethren were content.††
28 Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph
out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for twenty *pieces* of silver: and they
brought Joseph into Egypt.
29 ¶ And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph *was* not in the pit; and he rent
his clothes.

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† **37:3** colours: or, pieces ‡ **37:14** see...: Heb. see the peace of thy brethren, etc. § **37:19** dreamer: Heb. master of dreams ** **37:23** colours: or, pieces †† **37:27** were...: Heb. hearkened

30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child *is* not; and I, whither shall I go?
31 And they took Joseph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;
32 And they sent the coat of *many* colours, and they brought *it* to their father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it *be* thy son's coat or no.
33 And he knew it, and said, *It is* my son's coat; an evil beast hath devoured him; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.
34 And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.
35 And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted; and he said, For I will go down into the grave unto my son mourning. Thus his father wept for him.
36 And the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh's, *and* captain of the guard.‡‡§§

38

1 And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name *was* Hirah.
2 And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name *was* Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.
3 And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er.
4 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan.
5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.
6 And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name *was* Tamar.
7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.
8 And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.
9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled *it* on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.
10 And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.*
11 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown: for he said, Lest peradventure he die also, as his brethren *did*. And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's house.
12 ¶ And in process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.†
13 And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold thy father in law goeth up to Timnath to shear his sheep.
14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place, which *is* by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.‡
15 When Judah saw her, he thought her *to be* an harlot; because she had covered her face.
16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she *was* his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?
17 And he said, I will send *thee* a kid from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give *me* a pledge, till thou send *it*?§
18 And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that *is* in thine hand. And he gave *it* her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.
19 And she arose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.
20 And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive *his* pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.

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‡‡ **37:36** officer: Heb. eunuch: but the word doth signify not only eunuchs, but also chamberlains, courtiers, and officers
§§ **37:36** captain...: or, chief marshal: Heb. chief of the slaughter men, or executioners
* **38:10** displeased...: Heb. was evil in the eyes of the Lord
† **38:12** in process...: Heb. the days were multiplied
‡ **38:14** an open...: Heb. the door of eyes, or, of Enajim
§ **38:17** a kid: Heb. a kid of the goats

21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where *is* the harlot, that *was* openly by
the way side? And they said, There was no harlot in this *place*.**
22 And he returned to Judah, and said, I cannot find her; and also the men of the place
said, *that* there was no harlot in this *place*.
23 And Judah said, Let her take *it* to her, lest we be shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and
thou hast not found her.††
24 ¶ And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar thy
daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold, she *is* with child by whoredom.
And Judah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.
25 When she *was* brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose
these *are, am* I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray thee, whose *are* these, the signet,
and bracelets, and staff.
26 And Judah acknowledged *them*, and said, She hath been more righteous than I;
because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he knew her again no more.
27 ¶ And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins *were* in her womb.
28 And it came to pass, when she travailed, that *the one* put out *his* hand: and the midwife
took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.
29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and
she said, How hast thou broken forth? *this* breach *be* upon thee: therefore his name was
called Pharez.‡‡§§
30 And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and
his name was called Zarah.

39

1 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain
of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought
him down thither.
2 And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house
of his master the Egyptian.
3 And his master saw that the LORD *was* with him, and that the LORD made all that he
did to prosper in his hand.
4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over
his house, and all *that* he had he put into his hand.
5 And it came to pass from the time *that* he had made him overseer in his house, and
over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the
blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.
6 And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the
bread which he did eat. And Joseph was *a* goodly *person*, and well favoured.
7 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph;
and she said, Lie with me.
8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what *is*
with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;
9 *There is* none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from
me but thee, because thou *art* his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin
against God?
10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her,
to lie by her, *or* to be with her.
11 And it came to pass about this time, that *Joseph* went into the house to do his business;
and *there was* none of the men of the house there within.
12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in
her hand, and fled, and got him out.
13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was
fled forth,
14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath
brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried
with a loud voice:*
15 And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his
garment with me, and fled, and got him out.

** **38:21** openly: or, in Enajim †† **38:23** be shamed: Heb. become a contempt ‡‡ **38:29** How hast...: or, Wherefore hast thou made this breach against thee? §§ **38:29** Pharez: that is A breach * **39:14** loud: Heb. great

16 And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home.
17 And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, which
thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me:
18 And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me,
and fled out.
19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake
unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.
20 And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's
prisoners *were* bound: and he was there in the prison.
21 ¶ But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the
sight of the keeper of the prison.†
22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that *were* in
the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer *of it*.
23 The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing *that was* under his hand; because the
LORD was with him, and *that* which he did, the LORD made *it* to prosper.

40

1 And it came to pass after these things, *that* the butler of the king of Egypt and *his* baker
had offended their lord the king of Egypt.
2 And Pharaoh was wroth against two *of* his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and
against the chief of the bakers.
3 And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the
place where Joseph *was* bound.
4 And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they
continued a season in ward.
5 ¶ And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man
according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt,
which *were* bound in the prison.
6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, behold,
they *were* sad.
7 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that *were* with him in the ward of his lord's house,
saying, Wherefore look ye *so* sadly to day?*
8 And they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and *there is* no interpreter of it.
And Joseph said unto them, *Do* not interpretations *belong* to God? tell me *them*, I pray you.
9 And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, a
vine *was* before me;
10 And in the vine *were* three branches: and it *was* as though it budded, *and* her blossoms
shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes:
11 And Pharaoh's cup *was* in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into
Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.
12 And Joseph said unto him, This *is* the interpretation of it: The three branches *are* three
days:
13 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place:
and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou
wast his butler.†
14 But think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness, I pray thee, unto
me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:‡
15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done
nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.
16 When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, I also
was in my dream, and, behold, *I had* three white baskets on my head:§
17 And in the uppermost basket *there was* of all manner of bakemeats for Pharaoh; and
the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head.**
18 And Joseph answered and said, This *is* the interpretation thereof: The three baskets
are three days:
19 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee
on a tree; and the birds shall eat thy flesh from off thee.††

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† **39:21** shewed...: Heb. extended kindness unto him * **40:7** look...: Heb. are your faces evil? † **40:13** lift...: or, reckon ‡ **40:14** think...: Heb. remember me with thee § **40:16** white: or, full of holes ** **40:17** bakemeats...: Heb. meat of Pharaoh, the work of a baker, or, cook †† **40:19** lift...: or, reckon thee, and take thy office from thee

20 ¶ And it came to pass the third day, *which was* Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast
unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker
among his servants.‡‡
21 And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into
Pharaoh's hand:
22 But he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.
23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgat him.

41

1 And it came to pass at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he
stood by the river.
2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed;
and they fed in a meadow.
3 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and
leanfleshed; and stood by the *other* kine upon the brink of the river.
4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat
kine. So Pharaoh awoke.
5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears of corn came up
upon one stalk, rank and good.*
6 And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted with the east wind sprung up after them.
7 And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears. And Pharaoh awoke,
and, behold, *it was* a dream.
8 And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called
for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his
dream; but *there was* none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.
9 ¶ Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day:
10 Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's
house, *both* me and the chief baker:
11 And we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to
the interpretation of his dream.
12 And *there was* there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the
guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his
dream he did interpret.
13 And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto mine office,
and him he hanged.
14 ¶ Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the
dungeon: and he shaved *himself*, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.†
15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and *there is* none that can
interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, *that* thou canst understand a dream to interpret
it.‡
16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, *It is* not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an
answer of peace.
17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river:
18 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured;
and they fed in a meadow:
19 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and
leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness:
20 And the lean and the ill favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine:
21 And when they had eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them;
but they *were* still ill favoured, as at the beginning. So I awoke.§
22 And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:
23 And, behold, seven ears, withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up
after them:**
24 And the thin ears devoured the seven good ears: and I told *this* unto the magicians;
but *there was* none that could declare *it* to me.
25 ¶ And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh *is* one: God hath shewed
Pharaoh what he *is* about to do.

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‡‡ **40:20** lifted...: or, reckoned * **41:5** rank: Heb. fat † **41:14** brought...: Heb. made him run ‡ **41:15** thou...: or, when thou hearest a dream thou canst interpret it § **41:21** eaten...: Heb. come to the inward parts of them ** **41:23** withered: or, small

26 The seven good kine *are* seven years; and the seven good ears *are* seven years: the
dream *is* one.
27 And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them *are* seven years; and
the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind shall be seven years of famine.
28 This *is* the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What God *is* about to do he
sheweth unto Pharaoh.
29 Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:
30 And there shall arise after them seven years of famine; and all the plenty shall be
forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land;
31 And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for
it *shall be* very grievous.††
32 And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; *it is* because the thing *is*
established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.‡‡
33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land
of Egypt.
34 Let Pharaoh do *this*, and let him appoint officers over the land, and take up the fifth
part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years.§§
35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under
the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.
36 And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which
shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land perish not through the famine.***
37 ¶ And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.
38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find *such a one* as this *is*, a man in whom
the Spirit of God *is*?
39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, *there is*
none so discreet and wise as thou *art:*
40 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled:
only in the throne will I be greater than thou.†††
41 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt.
42 And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and
arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck;‡‡‡
43 And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before
him, Bow the knee: and he made him *ruler* over all the land of Egypt.§§§
44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I *am* Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his
hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.
45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name Zaphnath-paaneah; and he gave him to wife
Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On. And Joseph went out over *all* the land of
Egypt.*†
46 ¶ And Joseph *was* thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And
Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.
47 And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.
48 And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, which were in the land of Egypt,
and laid up the food in the cities: the food of the field, which *was* round about every city,
laid he up in the same.
49 And Joseph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering;
for *it was* without number.
50 And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath
the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.‡
51 And Joseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh: For God, *said he*, hath made me
forget all my toil, and all my father's house.§
52 And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For God hath caused me to be fruitful
in the land of my affliction.**
53 ¶ And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of Egypt, were ended.
54 And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Joseph had said: and the
dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

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†† **41:31** grievous: Heb. heavy ‡‡ **41:32** established...: or, prepared of God §§ **41:34** officers: or, overseers *** **41:36** perish...: Heb. be not cut off ††† **41:40** be ruled: Heb. be armed, or, kiss ‡‡‡ **41:42** fine...: or, silk §§§ **41:43** Bow...: or, Tender father: Heb. Abrech * **41:45** Zaphnath-paaneah: which in the Coptic signifies, A revealer of secrets, or, The man to whom secrets are revealed † **41:45** priest: or, prince ‡ **41:50** priest: or, prince § **41:51** Manasseh: that is, Forgetting ** **41:52** Ephraim: that is, Fruitful

55 And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread:
and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he saith to you, do.
56 And the famine was over all the face of the earth: and Joseph opened all the
storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.††
57 And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy *corn;* because that the famine
was *so* sore in all lands.

42

1 Now when Jacob saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, Why do ye
look one upon another?
2 And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and
buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die.
3 ¶ And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn in Egypt.
4 But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, Lest
peradventure mischief befall him.
5 And the sons of Israel came to buy *corn* among those that came: for the famine was in
the land of Canaan.
6 And Joseph *was* the governor over the land, *and* he *it was* that sold to all the people of
the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves before him *with* their
faces to the earth.
7 And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them,
and spake roughly unto them; and he said unto them, Whence come ye? And they said,
From the land of Canaan to buy food.*
8 And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.
9 And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them,
Ye *are* spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.
10 And they said unto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy servants come.
11 We *are* all one man's sons; we *are* true *men*, thy servants are no spies.
12 And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.
13 And they said, Thy servants *are* twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of
Canaan; and, behold, the youngest *is* this day with our father, and one *is* not.
14 And Joseph said unto them, That *is it* that I spake unto you, saying, Ye *are* spies:
15 Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except
your youngest brother come hither.
16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison, that
your words may be proved, whether *there be any* truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh
surely ye *are* spies.†
17 And he put them all together into ward three days.‡
18 And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; *for* I fear God:
19 If ye *be* true *men*, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye,
carry corn for the famine of your houses:
20 But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall
not die. And they did so.
21 ¶ And they said one to another, We *are* verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we
saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; therefore is this
distress come upon us.
22 And Reuben answered them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against
the child; and ye would not hear? therefore, behold, also his blood is required.
23 And they knew not that Joseph understood *them;* for he spake unto them by an
interpreter.§
24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and
communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.
25 ¶ Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to restore every man's
money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and thus did he unto them.
26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed thence.
27 And as one of them opened his sack to give his ass provender in the inn, he espied his
money; for, behold, it *was* in his sack's mouth.

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†† **41:56** all the storehouses: Heb. all wherein was * **42:7** roughly...: Heb. hard things with them † **42:16** kept...: Heb. bound ‡ **42:17** put: Heb. gathered § **42:23** he spake...: Heb. an interpreter was between them

28 And he said unto his brethren, My money is restored; and, lo, *it is* even in my sack: and
their heart failed *them*, and they were afraid, saying one to another, What *is* this *that* God
hath done unto us?**
29 ¶ And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and told him all that
befell unto them; saying,
30 The man, *who is* the lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and took us for spies of the
country.††
31 And we said unto him, We *are* true *men;* we are no spies:
32 We *be* twelve brethren, sons of our father; one *is* not, and the youngest *is* this day with
our father in the land of Canaan.
33 And the man, the lord of the country, said unto us, Hereby shall I know that ye *are*
true *men;* leave one of your brethren *here* with me, and take *food for* the famine of your
households, and be gone:
34 And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye *are* no spies, but
that ye *are* true *men: so* will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.
35 ¶ And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold, every man's bundle of
money *was* in his sack: and when *both* they and their father saw the bundles of money,
they were afraid.
36 And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have ye bereaved *of my children:* Joseph *is*
not, and Simeon *is* not, and ye will take Benjamin *away:* all these things are against me.
37 And Reuben spake unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to thee:
deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee again.
38 And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he is left
alone: if mischief befall him by the way in the which ye go, then shall ye bring down my
gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.

43

1 And the famine *was* sore in the land.
2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out of
Egypt, their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a little food.
3 And Judah spake unto him, saying, The man did solemnly protest unto us, saying, Ye
shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.*
4 If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:
5 But if thou wilt not send *him*, we will not go down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not
see my face, except your brother *be* with you.
6 And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye *so* ill with me, *as* to tell the man whether ye had yet
a brother?
7 And they said, The man asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, *Is* your
father yet alive? have ye *another* brother? and we told him according to the tenor of these
words: could we certainly know that he would say, Bring your brother down?†‡§
8 And Judah said unto Israel his father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go;
that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, *and* also our little ones.
9 I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee,
and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame for ever:
10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time.**
11 And their father Israel said unto them, If *it must be* so now, do this; take of the best
fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, a little balm, and a
little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:
12 And take double money in your hand; and the money that was brought again in the
mouth of your sacks, carry *it* again in your hand; peradventure it *was* an oversight:
13 Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man:
14 And God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other
brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved *of my children*, I am bereaved.††
15 ¶ And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and
Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph.

** **42:28** failed...: Heb. went forth †† **42:30** roughly...: Heb. with us hard things * **43:3** did...: Heb. protesting protested † **43:7** asked...: Heb. asking asked us ‡ **43:7** tenor: Heb. mouth § **43:7** could...: Heb. knowing could we know ** **43:10** this: or, twice by this †† **43:14** If...: or, And I, as I have been, etc.

16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of his house, Bring
these men home, and slay, and make ready; for *these* men shall dine with me at noon.‡‡§§
17 And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into Joseph's house.
18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they
said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought
in; that he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and
our asses.***
19 And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him
at the door of the house,
20 And said, O sir, we came indeed down at the first time to buy food:†††
21 And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold,
every man's money *was* in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have
brought it again in our hand.
22 And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who
put our money in our sacks.
23 And he said, Peace *be* to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given
you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them.‡‡‡
24 And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave *them* water, and they
washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.
25 And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that
they should eat bread there.
26 ¶ And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which *was* in their hand
into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the earth.
27 And he asked them of *their* welfare, and said, *Is* your father well, the old man of whom
ye spake? *Is* he yet alive?§§§*
28 And they answered, Thy servant our father *is* in good health, he *is* yet alive. And they
bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.
29 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, *Is*
this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto
thee, my son.
30 And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought
where to weep; and he entered into *his* chamber, and wept there.
31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, Set on bread.
32 And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians,
which did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with
the Hebrews; for that *is* an abomination unto the Egyptians.
33 And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest
according to his youth: and the men marvelled one at another.
34 And he took *and sent* messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was
five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him.†

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1 And he commanded the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks *with* food, as
much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.*
2 And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his corn money.
And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.
3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.
4 *And* when they were gone out of the city, *and* not *yet* far off, Joseph said unto his steward,
Up, follow after the men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, Wherefore
have ye rewarded evil for good?
5 *Is* not this *it* in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he divineth? ye have done
evil in so doing.†
6 ¶ And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.
7 And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God forbid that thy
servants should do according to this thing:

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‡‡ **43:16** slay: Heb. kill a killing §§ **43:16** dine: Heb. eat *** **43:18** seek...: Heb. roll himself upon us ††† **43:20** we...: Heb. coming down we came down ‡‡‡ **43:23** I had...: Heb. your money came to me §§§ **43:27** welfare: Heb. peace * **43:27** Is your...: Heb. Is there peace to your father? † **43:34** were...: Heb. drank largely * **44:1** the steward...: Heb. him that was over his house † **44:5** divineth: or, maketh trial?

8 Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto thee
out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold?
9 With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, both let him die, and we also will be my
lord's bondmen.
10 And he said, Now also *let* it *be* according unto your words: he with whom it is found
shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.
11 Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every
man his sack.
12 And he searched, *and* began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was
found in Benjamin's sack.
13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.
14 ¶ And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he *was* yet there: and they
fell before him on the ground.
15 And Joseph said unto them, What deed *is* this that ye have done? wot ye not that such
a man as I can certainly divine?‡
16 And Judah said, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall
we clear ourselves? God hath found out the iniquity of thy servants: behold, we *are* my
lord's servants, both we, and *he* also with whom the cup is found.
17 And he said, God forbid that I should do so: *but* the man in whose hand the cup is found,
he shall be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace unto your father.
18 ¶ Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee,
speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou
art even as Pharaoh.
19 My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a brother?
20 And we said unto my lord, We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a
little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth
him.
21 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes
upon him.
22 And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for *if* he should leave his
father, *his father* would die.
23 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you,
ye shall see my face no more.
24 And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the
words of my lord.
25 And our father said, Go again, *and* buy us a little food.
26 And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go
down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother *be* with us.
27 And thy servant my father said unto us, Ye know that my wife bare me two *sons:*
28 And the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him
not since:
29 And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down my gray
hairs with sorrow to the grave.
30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad *be* not with us; seeing
that his life is bound up in the lad's life;
31 It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad *is* not *with us*, that he will die: and
thy servants shall bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to the
grave.
32 For thy servant became surety for the lad unto my father, saying, If I bring him not
unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father for ever.
33 Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my
lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.
34 For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad *be* not with me? lest peradventure I see
the evil that shall come on my father.§

45

1 Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried,
Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made
himself known unto his brethren.
2 And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.*

‡ **44:15** divine: or, make trial? § **44:34** come...: Heb. find my father * **45:2** wept...: Heb. gave forth his voice in weeping

3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I *am* Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his
brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.†
4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near.
And he said, I *am* Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.
5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for
God did send me before you to preserve life.‡
6 For these two years *hath* the famine *been* in the land: and yet *there are* five years, in the
which *there shall* neither *be* earing nor harvest.
7 And God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your
lives by a great deliverance.§
8 So now *it was* not you *that* sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to
Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.
9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath
made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not:
10 And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and
thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou
hast:
11 And there will I nourish thee; for yet *there are* five years of famine; lest thou, and thy
household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.
12 And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that *it is* my mouth
that speaketh unto you.
13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye
shall haste and bring down my father hither.
14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his
neck.
15 Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren
talked with him.
16 ¶ And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are
come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.**
17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and
go, get you unto the land of Canaan;
18 And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the
good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land.
19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your
little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.
20 Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt *is* yours.††
21 And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the
commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.‡‡
22 To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three
hundred *pieces* of silver, and five changes of raiment.
23 And to his father he sent after this *manner;* ten asses laden with the good things of
Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.§§
24 So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, See that ye
fall not out by the way.
25 ¶ And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their
father,
26 And told him, saying, Joseph *is* yet alive, and he *is* governor over all the land of Egypt.
And Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.***
27 And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he
saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived:
28 And Israel said, *It is* enough; Joseph my son *is* yet alive: I will go and see him before I
die.

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1 And Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to Beer-sheba, and offered
sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac.

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† **45:3** troubled: or, terrified ‡ **45:5** nor...: Heb. neither let there be anger in your eyes § **45:7** to preserve...: Heb. to put for you a remnant ** **45:16** pleased...: Heb. was good in the eyes of Pharaoh †† **45:20** regard...: Heb. let not your eye spare, etc. ‡‡ **45:21** commandment: Heb. mouth §§ **45:23** laden...: Heb. carrying *** **45:26** Jacob's: Heb. his

2 And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he
said, Here *am* I.
3 And he said, I *am* God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will
there make of thee a great nation:
4 I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up *again:* and
Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.
5 And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father,
and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.
6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan,
and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him:
7 His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his
seed brought he with him into Egypt.
8 ¶ And these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and
his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.
9 And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Carmi.
10 ¶ And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and
Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.*††‡
11 ¶ And the sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.§
12 ¶ And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zerah: but Er and
Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.
13 ¶ And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and Phuvah, and Job, and Shimron.**
14 ¶ And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.
15 These *be* the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padan-aram, with his daughter
Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters *were* thirty and three.
16 ¶ And the sons of Gad; Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon, Eri, and Arodi, and
Areli.†††‡‡§§
17 ¶ And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their
sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.
18 These *are* the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she
bare unto Jacob, *even* sixteen souls.
19 The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.
20 ¶ And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which
Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.***
21 ¶ And the sons of Benjamin *were* Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman,
Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard.††††‡‡‡§§§
22 These *are* the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the souls *were* fourteen.
23 ¶ And the sons of Dan; Hushim.*
24 ¶ And the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.
25 These *are* the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and she bare
these unto Jacob: all the souls *were* seven.
26 All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins, besides
Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls *were* threescore and six;†
27 And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, *were* two souls: all the souls of
the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, *were* threescore and ten.
28 ¶ And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto Goshen; and they
came into the land of Goshen.
29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen,
and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.
30 And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou
art yet alive.
31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and shew
Pharaoh, and say unto him, My brethren, and my father's house, which *were* in the land of
Canaan, are come unto me;
32 And the men *are* shepherds, for their trade hath been to feed cattle; and they have
brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.‡

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* **46:10** Jemuel: or, Nemuel † **46:10** Jachin: or, Jarib ‡ **46:10** Zohar: or, Zerah § **46:11** Gershon: or, Gershom ** **46:13** Phuvah, and Job: or, Puah, and Jashub †† **46:16** Ziphion: or, Zephon ‡‡ **46:16** Ezbon: or, Ozni §§ **46:16** Arodi: or, Arod *** **46:20** priest: or, prince ††† **46:21** Ehi: or, Ahiram ‡‡‡ **46:21** Muppim: or, Shupham or, Shuppim §§§ **46:21** Huppim: or, Hupham * **46:23** Hushim: or, Shuham † **46:26** loins: Heb. thigh ‡ **46:32** their trade...: Heb. they are men of cattle

33 And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, What *is* your occupation?
34 That ye shall say, Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now, both we, *and* also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd *is* an abomination unto the Egyptians.

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1 Then Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they *are* in the land of Goshen.
2 And he took some of his brethren, *even* five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.
3 And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, What *is* your occupation? And they said unto Pharaoh, Thy servants *are* shepherds, both we, *and* also our fathers.
4 They said moreover unto Pharaoh, For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine *is* sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen.
5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:
6 The land of Egypt *is* before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest *any* men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle.
7 And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.
8 And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, How old *art* thou?*
9 And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage *are* an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.
10 And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.
11 ¶ And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.
12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to *their* families.†
13 ¶ And *there was* no bread in all the land; for the famine *was* very sore, so that the land of Egypt and *all* the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.
14 And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.
15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.
16 And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail.
17 And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year.‡
18 When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said unto him, We will not hide *it* from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:
19 Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give *us* seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.
20 And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.
21 And as for the people, he removed them to cities from *one* end of the borders of Egypt even to the *other* end thereof.
22 Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the priests had a portion *assigned them* of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands.§
23 Then Joseph said unto the people, Behold, I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, *here is* seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

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* **47:8** How...: Heb. How many are the days of the years of thy life? † **47:12** according...: or, as a little child is nourished: Heb. according to the little ones ‡ **47:17** fed...: Heb. led them § **47:22** priests: or, princes

24 And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give the fifth *part* unto Pharaoh,
and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of
your households, and for food for your little ones.
25 And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in the sight of my lord, and
we will be Pharaoh's servants.
26 And Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, *that* Pharaoh should
have the fifth *part;* except the land of the priests only, *which* became not Pharaoh's.**
27 ¶ And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had
possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.
28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so the whole age of Jacob was an
hundred forty and seven years.††
29 And the time drew nigh that Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, and said
unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh,
and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt:
30 But I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in
their buryingplace. And he said, I will do as thou hast said.
31 And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon
the bed's head.

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1 And it came to pass after these things, that *one* told Joseph, Behold, thy father *is* sick:
and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.
2 And *one* told Jacob, and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto thee: and Israel
strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.
3 And Jacob said unto Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of
Canaan, and blessed me,
4 And said unto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make
of thee a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee *for* an everlasting
possession.
5 ¶ And now thy two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the
land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, *are* mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they
shall be mine.
6 And thy issue, which thou begettest after them, shall be thine, *and* shall be called after
the name of their brethren in their inheritance.
7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the
way, when yet *there was* but a little way to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in
the way of Ephrath; the same *is* Beth-lehem.
8 And Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, Who *are* these?
9 And Joseph said unto his father, They *are* my sons, whom God hath given me in this
place. And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I will bless them.
10 Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, *so that* he could not see. And he brought them
near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them.*
11 And Israel said unto Joseph, I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed
me also thy seed.
12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his
face to the earth.
13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and
Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought *them* near unto him.
14 And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid *it* upon Ephraim's head, who *was*
the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for
Manasseh *was* the firstborn.
15 ¶ And he blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac
did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day,
16 The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be
named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a
multitude in the midst of the earth.†
17 And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it
displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto
Manasseh's head.‡

** **47:26** priests: or, princes †† **47:28** the whole...: Heb. the days of the years of his life * **48:10** dim: Heb. heavy
† **48:16** grow: Heb. as fishes do increase ‡ **48:17** displeased...: was evil in his eyes

18 And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this *is* the firstborn; put thy right
hand upon his head.
19 And his father refused, and said, I know *it*, my son, I know *it:* he also shall become a
people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he,
and his seed shall become a multitude of nations.§
20 And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee
as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.
21 And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you
again unto the land of your fathers.
22 Moreover I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the
hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

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1 And Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you
that which shall befall you in the last days.
2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your
father.
3 ¶ Reuben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the
excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:
4 Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel; because thou wentest up to thy father's bed;
then defiledst thou *it:* he went up to my couch.*†
5 ¶ Simeon and Levi *are* brethren; instruments of cruelty *are in* their habitations.‡
6 O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not
thou united: for in their anger they slew a man, and in their selfwill they digged down a
wall.§
7 Cursed *be* their anger, for *it was* fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide
them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.
8 ¶ Judah, thou *art he* whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand *shall be* in the neck of
thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee.
9 Judah *is* a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he
couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?
10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until
Shiloh come; and unto him *shall* the gathering of the people *be*.
11 Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his
garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:
12 His eyes *shall be* red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.
13 ¶ Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he *shall be* for an haven of ships; and
his border *shall be* unto Zidon.
14 ¶ Issachar *is* a strong ass couching down between two burdens:
15 And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant; and bowed his
shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute.
16 ¶ Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.
17 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so
that his rider shall fall backward.**
18 I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.
19 ¶ Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.
20 ¶ Out of Asher his bread *shall be* fat, and he shall yield royal dainties.
21 ¶ Naphtali *is* a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.
22 ¶ Joseph *is* a fruitful bough, *even* a fruitful bough by a well; *whose* branches run over
the wall:††
23 The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him:
24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the
hands of the mighty *God* of Jacob; (from thence *is* the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)
25 *Even* by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless
thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the
breasts, and of the womb:

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§ **48:19** multitude: Heb. fulness * **49:4** thou shalt...: Heb. do not thou excel † **49:4** he went...: or, my couch is gone
‡ **49:5** instruments...: or, their swords are weapons of violence § **49:6** digged...: or, houghed oxen ** **49:17** an
adder: Heb. an arrow-snake †† **49:22** branches: Heb. daughters

26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto
the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the
crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.
27 ¶ Benjamin shall ravin *as* a wolf: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night
he shall divide the spoil.
28 ¶ All these *are* the twelve tribes of Israel: and this *is it* that their father spake unto them,
and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.
29 And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury
me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ephron the Hittite,
30 In the cave that *is* in the field of Machpelah, which *is* before Mamre, in the land of
Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a
buryingplace.
31 There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah
his wife; and there I buried Leah.
32 The purchase of the field and of the cave that *is* therein *was* from the children of Heth.
33 And when Jacob had made an end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet
into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.

50

1 And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him.
2 And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father: and the
physicians embalmed Israel.
3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of those which are
embalmed: and the Egyptians mourned for him threescore and ten days.*
4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto the house of Pharaoh,
saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh,
saying,
5 My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me in
the land of Canaan, there shalt thou bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and
bury my father, and I will come again.
6 And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear.
7 ¶ And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of
Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,
8 And all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little
ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen.
9 And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great
company.
10 And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which *is* beyond Jordan, and there they
mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: and he made a mourning for his father
seven days.
11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor
of Atad, they said, This *is* a grievous mourning to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it
was called Abel-mizraim, which *is* beyond Jordan.†
12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:
13 For his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field
of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field for a possession of a buryingplace of
Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.
14 ¶ And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him
to bury his father, after he had buried his father.
15 ¶ And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Joseph will
peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.
16 And they sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he
died, saying,‡
17 So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and
their sin; for they did unto thee evil: and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the
servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept when they spake unto him.
18 And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we *be*
thy servants.
19 And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for *am* I in the place of God?

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* **50:3** mourned: Heb. wept † **50:11** Abel-mizraim: that is, The mourning of the Egyptians ‡ **50:16** sent: Heb. charged

20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; *but* God meant it unto good, to bring to pass,
as *it is* this day, to save much people alive.
21 Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted
them, and spake kindly unto them.§
22 ¶ And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived an hundred
and ten years.
23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third *generation:* the children also of Machir
the son of Manasseh were brought up upon Joseph's knees.**
24 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you
out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.
25 And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and
ye shall carry up my bones from hence.
26 So Joseph died, *being* an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he
was put in a coffin in Egypt.

§ **50:21** kindly...: Heb. to their hearts ** **50:23** brought...: Heb. born

The Second Book of Moses, called Exodus

1 Now these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt; every man
and his household came with Jacob.
2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,
3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin,
4 Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
5 And all the souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were seventy souls: for Joseph was
in Egypt *already*.*
6 And Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation.
7 ¶ And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied,
and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.
8 Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.
9 And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel *are* more and
mightier than we:
10 Come on, let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that,
when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and
so get them up out of the land.
11 Therefore they did set over them taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And
they built for Pharaoh treasure cities, Pithom and Raamses.
12 But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew. And they were
grieved because of the children of Israel.†
13 And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:
14 And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in morter, and in brick, and in all
manner of service in the field: all their service, wherein they made them serve, *was* with
rigour.
15 ¶ And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one
was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:
16 And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see *them*
upon the stools; if it *be* a son, then ye shall kill him: but if it *be* a daughter, then she shall
live.
17 But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt commanded them, but
saved the men children alive.
18 And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done
this thing, and have saved the men children alive?
19 And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women *are* not as the
Egyptian women; for they *are* lively, and are delivered ere the midwives come in unto
them.
20 Therefore God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed
very mighty.
21 And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he made them houses.
22 And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into
the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.

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1 And there went a man of the house of Levi, and took *to wife* a daughter of Levi.
2 And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he *was a* goodly
child, she hid him three months.
3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and
daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid *it* in the flags
by the river's brink.
4 And his sister stood afar off, to wit what would be done to him.
5 ¶ And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash *herself* at the river; and her maidens
walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, she sent her
maid to fetch it.
6 And when she had opened *it*, she saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she
had compassion on him, and said, This *is one* of the Hebrews' children.

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* **1:5** loins: Heb. thigh † **1:12** But...: Heb. And as they afflicted them, so they multiplied, etc

7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the
Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?
8 And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's
mother.
9 And Pharaoh's daughter said unto her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I
will give *thee* thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.
10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her
son. And she called his name Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.*
11 ¶ And it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out unto his
brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew, one
of his brethren.
12 And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that *there was* no man, he slew
the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.
13 And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the Hebrews strove
together: and he said to him that did the wrong, Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?
14 And he said, Who made thee a prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me,
as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.†
15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the
face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well.
16 Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew *water*, and
filled the troughs to water their father's flock.‡
17 And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them,
and watered their flock.
18 And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How *is it that* ye are come so soon
to day?§
19 And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also
drew *water* enough for us, and watered the flock.
20 And he said unto his daughters, And where *is* he? why *is* it *that* ye have left the man?
call him, that he may eat bread.
21 And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his
daughter.
22 And she bare *him* a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he said, I have been a
stranger in a strange land.**
23 ¶ And it came to pass in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children
of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God
by reason of the bondage.
24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham,
with Isaac, and with Jacob.
25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto *them*.††

3

1 Now Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the
flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, *even* to Horeb.
2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of
a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not
consumed.
3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.
4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the
midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I.
5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place
whereon thou standest *is* holy ground.
6 Moreover he said, I *am* the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and
the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.
7 ¶ And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which *are* in Egypt,
and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;
8 And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them
up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey;

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* **2:10** Moses: that is, Drawn out † **2:14** a prince: Heb. a man, a prince ‡ **2:16** priest: or, prince § **2:18** Reuel: called also Jethro, or, Jether ** **2:22** Gershom: that is, A stranger here †† **2:25** had...: Heb. knew

unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and
the Hivites, and the Jebusites.
9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also
seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.
10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth
my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.
11 ¶ And Moses said unto God, Who *am* I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should
bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?
12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and this *shall be* a token unto thee, that I have
sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon
this mountain.
13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, *when* I come unto the children of Israel, and shall
say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me,
What *is* his name? what shall I say unto them?
14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the
children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.
15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The
LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath
sent me unto you: this *is* my name for ever, and this *is* my memorial unto all generations.
16 Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD God of your
fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely
visited you, and *seen* that which is done to you in Egypt:
17 And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the
Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the
Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.
18 And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel,
unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath met
with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that
we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.
19 ¶ And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not by a mighty hand.*
20 And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do
in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.
21 And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to
pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty:
22 But every woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her
house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put *them* upon your
sons, and upon your daughters; and ye shall spoil the Egyptians.†

4

1 And Moses answered and said, But, behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto
my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.
2 And the LORD said unto him, What *is* that in thine hand? And he said, A rod.
3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent;
and Moses fled from before it.
4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put
forth his hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:
5 That they may believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God
of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath appeared unto thee.
6 ¶ And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And
he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand *was* leprous as
snow.
7 And he said, Put thine hand into thy bosom again. And he put his hand into his bosom
again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and, behold, it was turned again as his *other* flesh.
8 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken to the voice of
the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.
9 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither hearken
unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour *it* upon the dry *land:*
and the water which thou takest out of the river shall become blood upon the dry *land.*

* **3:19** no...: or, but by strong hand † **3:22** the Egyptians: or, Egypt * **4:9** shall become: Heb. shall be and shall be

10 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor
since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I *am* slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.†‡
11 And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb,
or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?
12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.
13 And he said, O my Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand *of him whom* thou wilt send.§
14 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, *Is* not Aaron the
Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to
meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.
15 And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy
mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do.
16 And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be, *even* he shall be to
thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of God.
17 And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs.
18 ¶ And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father in law, and said unto him, Let me
go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which *are* in Egypt, and see whether they be
yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, Go in peace.**
19 And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian, Go, return into Egypt: for all the men are
dead which sought thy life.
20 And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass, and he returned to
the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand.
21 And the LORD said unto Moses, When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do
all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have put in thine hand: but I will harden his
heart, that he shall not let the people go.
22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel *is* my son, *even* my
firstborn:
23 And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him
go, behold, I will slay thy son, *even* thy firstborn.
24 ¶ And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the LORD met him, and sought to kill
him.
25 Then Zipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast *it* at his
feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband *art* thou to me.††‡‡
26 So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband *thou art*, because of the circumcision.
27 ¶ And the LORD said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and
met him in the mount of God, and kissed him.
28 And Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD who had sent him, and all the signs
which he had commanded him.
29 ¶ And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of
Israel:
30 And Aaron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the
signs in the sight of the people.
31 And the people believed: and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children
of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and
worshipped.

5

1 And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God
of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness.
2 And Pharaoh said, Who *is* the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know
not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.
3 And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three
days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with
pestilence, or with the sword.
4 And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people
from their works? get you unto your burdens.
5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now *are* many, and ye make them rest
from their burdens.

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† **4:10** eloquent: Heb. a man of words ‡ **4:10** heretofore: Heb. since yesterday, nor since the third day § **4:13** wilt: or, shouldest ** **4:18** Jethro: Heb. Jether †† **4:25** sharp...: or, knife ‡‡ **4:25** cast...: Heb. made it touch

6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their
officers, saying,
7 Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and
gather straw for themselves.
8 And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye
shall not diminish *ought* thereof: for they *be* idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go *and*
sacrifice to our God.
9 Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them
not regard vain words.*
10 ¶ And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the
people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.
11 Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be
diminished.
12 So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble
instead of straw.
13 And the taskmasters hasted *them*, saying, Fulfil your works, *your* daily tasks, as when
there was straw.†
14 And the officers of the children of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over
them, were beaten, *and* demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making
brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?
15 ¶ Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying,
Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?
16 There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold,
thy servants *are* beaten; but the fault *is* in thine own people.
17 But he said, Ye *are* idle, *ye are* idle: therefore ye say, Let us go *and* do sacrifice to the
LORD.
18 Go therefore now, *and* work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver
the tale of bricks.
19 And the officers of the children of Israel did see *that* they *were* in evil *case*, after it was
said, Ye shall not minish *ought* from your bricks of your daily task.
20 ¶ And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from
Pharaoh:
21 And they said unto them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made
our savour to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a
sword in their hand to slay us.‡
22 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou *so* evil
entreated this people? why *is* it *that* thou hast sent me?
23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people;
neither hast thou delivered thy people at all.§

6

1 Then the LORD said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with
a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his
land.
2 And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I *am* the LORD:*
3 And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by *the name of* God Almighty,
but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.
4 And I have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan,
the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.
5 And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel, whom the Egyptians keep
in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.
6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I *am* the LORD, and I will bring you out from
under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will
redeem you with a stretched out arm, and with great judgments:
7 And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that
I *am* the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.
8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to
Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I *am* the LORD.†

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* **5:9** Let there...: Heb. Let the work be heavy upon the men † **5:13** your daily...: Heb. a matter of a day in his day
‡ **5:21** to be...: Heb. to stink § **5:23** neither...: Heb. delivering thou hast not delivered * **6:2** the LORD: or, JEHOVAH
† **6:8** swear: Heb. lift up my hand

9 ¶ And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses
for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.‡
10 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
11 Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his
land.
12 And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not
hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who *am* of uncircumcised lips?
13 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the
children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the
land of Egypt.
14 ¶ These *be* the heads of their fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel;
Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these *be* the families of Reuben.
15 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and
Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these *are* the families of Simeon.
16 ¶ And these *are* the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon,
and Kohath, and Merari: and the years of the life of Levi *were* an hundred thirty and seven
years.
17 The sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi, according to their families.
18 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel: and the years of
the life of Kohath *were* an hundred thirty and three years.
19 And the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi: these *are* the families of Levi according to
their generations.
20 And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and
Moses: and the years of the life of Amram *were* an hundred and thirty and seven years.
21 ¶ And the sons of Izhar; Korah, and Nepheg, and Zichri.
22 And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.
23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to wife; and
she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
24 And the sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these *are* the families of the
Korhites.
25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him *one* of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare
him Phinehas: these *are* the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families.
26 These *are* that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, Bring out the children of
Israel from the land of Egypt according to their armies.
27 These *are* they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel
from Egypt: these *are* that Moses and Aaron.
28 ¶ And it came to pass on the day *when* the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt,
29 That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I *am* the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh
king of Egypt all that I say unto thee.
30 And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, I *am* of uncircumcised lips, and how shall
Pharaoh hearken unto me?

7

1 And the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy
brother shall be thy prophet.
2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto
Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.
3 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land
of Egypt.
4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring
forth mine armies, *and* my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great
judgments.
5 And the Egyptians shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I stretch forth mine hand upon
Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them.
6 And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they.
7 And Moses *was* fourscore years old, and Aaron fourscore and three years old, when
they spake unto Pharaoh.
8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
9 When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle for you: then thou shalt
say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast *it* before Pharaoh, *and* it shall become a serpent.

‡ **6:9** anguish: Heb. shortness, or, straitness

10 ¶ And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had
commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it
became a serpent.
11 Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt,
they also did in like manner with their enchantments.
12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod
swallowed up their rods.
13 And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had
said.
14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart *is* hardened, he refuseth to let the
people go.
15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt
stand by the river's brink against he come; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt
thou take in thine hand.
16 And thou shalt say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee,
saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto
thou wouldest not hear.
17 Thus saith the LORD, In this thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: behold, I will smite
with the rod that *is* in mine hand upon the waters which *are* in the river, and they shall be
turned to blood.
18 And the fish that *is* in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians
shall lothe to drink of the water of the river.
19 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out
thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their
ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; and *that* there may
be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in *vessels of* wood, and in *vessels of* stone.*
20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and
smote the waters that *were* in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his
servants; and all the waters that *were* in the river were turned to blood.
21 And the fish that *was* in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could
not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.
22 And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was
hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the LORD had said.
23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also.
24 And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could
not drink of the water of the river.
25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten the river.

8

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the
LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.
2 And if thou refuse to let *them* go, behold, I will smite all thy borders with frogs:
3 And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine
house, and into thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and
upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs:*
4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy
servants.
5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand with thy
rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon
the land of Egypt.
6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and
covered the land of Egypt.
7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land
of Egypt.
8 ¶ Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Intreat the LORD, that he may
take away the frogs from me, and from my people; and I will let the people go, that they
may do sacrifice unto the LORD.

* **7:19** pools...: Heb. gathering of their waters

* **8:3** kneadingtroughs: or, dough

9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy
servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, *that* they may
remain in the river only?†‡§
10 And he said, To morrow. And he said, *Be it* according to thy word: that thou mayest
know that *there is* none like unto the LORD our God.**
11 And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and
from thy people; they shall remain in the river only.
12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the LORD because
of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh.
13 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs died out of the houses,
out of the villages, and out of the fields.
14 And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank.
15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and hearkened
not unto them; as the LORD had said.
16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the
dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.
17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust
of the earth, and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice
throughout all the land of Egypt.
18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could
not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.
19 Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This *is* the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart
was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.
20 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before
Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my
people go, that they may serve me.
21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send swarms *of flies* upon thee,
and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the
Egyptians shall be full of swarms *of flies*, and also the ground whereon they *are*.††
22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no
swarms *of flies* shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I *am* the LORD in the midst
of the earth.
23 And I will put a division between my people and thy people: to morrow shall this sign
be.‡‡§§
24 And the LORD did so; and there came a grievous swarm *of flies* into the house of
Pharaoh, and *into* his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt: the land was
corrupted by reason of the swarm *of flies*.***
25 ¶ And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God
in the land.
26 And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the
Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians
before their eyes, and will they not stone us?
27 We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God,
as he shall command us.
28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the LORD your God in the
wilderness; only ye shall not go very far away: intreat for me.
29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat the LORD that the swarms
of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to morrow: but
let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the
LORD.
30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.
31 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms *of flies*
from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.
32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

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† **8:9** Glory...: or, Have this honour over me, etc ‡ **8:9** when: or, against when § **8:9** to destroy: Heb. to cut off
** **8:10** To morrow: or, Against to morrow †† **8:21** swarms...: or, a mixture of noisome beasts, etc ‡‡ **8:23** a division:
Heb. a redemption §§ **8:23** to morrow: or, by to morrow *** **8:24** corrupted: or, destroyed

9

1 Then the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD
God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.
2 For if thou refuse to let *them* go, and wilt hold them still,
3 Behold, the hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which *is* in the field, upon the horses,
upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: *there shall be* a very
grievous murrain.
4 And the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and there
shall nothing die of all *that is* the children's of Israel.
5 And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the LORD shall do this thing in
the land.
6 And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the
cattle of the children of Israel died not one.
7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead.
And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go.
8 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the
furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.
9 And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth
with blains upon man, and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.
10 And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it
up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon
beast.
11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was
upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.
12 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the
LORD had spoken unto Moses.
13 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before
Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go,
that they may serve me.
14 For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and
upon thy people; that thou mayest know that *there is* none like me in all the earth.
15 For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with
pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.
16 And in very deed for this *cause* have I raised thee up, for to shew *in* thee my power;
and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.*
17 As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go?
18 Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as
hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.
19 Send therefore now, *and* gather thy cattle, and all that thou hast in the field; *for upon*
every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the
hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.
20 He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants
and his cattle flee into the houses:
21 And he that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the
field.†
22 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there
may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the
field, throughout the land of Egypt.
23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD sent thunder and
hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of
Egypt.
24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none
like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.
25 And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt all that *was* in the field, both man
and beast; and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field.
26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel *were*, was there no hail.
27 ¶ And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned
this time: the LORD *is* righteous, and I and my people *are* wicked.

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* **9:16** raised...: Heb. made thee stand † **9:21** regarded...: Heb. set not his heart unto

28 Intreat the LORD (for *it is* enough) that there be no *more* mighty thunderings and hail;
and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.‡
29 And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my
hands unto the LORD; *and* the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail;
that thou mayest know how that the earth *is* the LORD's.
30 But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God.
31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley *was* in the ear, and the flax *was*
bolled.
32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they *were* not grown up.§
33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto the
LORD: and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.
34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he
sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants.
35 And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the children of Israel go;
as the LORD had spoken by Moses.**

10

1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and
the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs before him:
2 And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son, what things I have
wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how
that I *am* the LORD.
3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD
God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people
go, that they may serve me.
4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to morrow will I bring the locusts into
thy coast:
5 And they shall cover the face of the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth: and
they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail,
and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field:*
6 And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all
the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day
that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from
Pharaoh.
7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us? let
the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is
destroyed?
8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go,
serve the LORD your God: *but* who *are* they that shall go?†
9 And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with
our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we *must hold* a feast unto
the LORD.
10 And he said unto them, Let the LORD be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little
ones: look *to it;* for evil *is* before you.
11 Not so: go now ye *that are* men, and serve the LORD; for that ye did desire. And they
were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.
12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the
locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, *even*
all that the hail hath left.
13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an
east wind upon the land all that day, and all *that* night; *and* when it was morning, the east
wind brought the locusts.
14 And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt:
very grievous *were they;* before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them
shall be such.
15 For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they
did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there
remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land
of Egypt.

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‡ **9:28** mighty...: Heb. voices of God § **9:32** not grown...: Heb. hidden or, dark ** **9:35** by Moses: Heb. by the hand of Moses * **10:5** face: Heb. eye † **10:8** who...: Heb. who and who, etc

16 ¶ Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against
the LORD your God, and against you.‡
17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and intreat the LORD your
God, that he may take away from me this death only.
18 And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.
19 And the LORD turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts, and
cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt.§
20 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel
go.
21 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there
may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even darkness *which* may be felt.**
22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a thick darkness in
all the land of Egypt three days:
23 They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the
children of Israel had light in their dwellings.
24 ¶ And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the LORD; only let your flocks
and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you.
25 And Moses said, Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may
sacrifice unto the LORD our God.††
26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must
we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with what we must serve the LORD,
until we come thither.
27 ¶ But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go.
28 And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no
more; for in *that* day thou seest my face thou shalt die.
29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.

11

1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague *more* upon Pharaoh, and
upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let *you* go, he shall surely
thrust you out hence altogether.
2 Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man borrow of his neighbour, and
every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold.
3 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man
Moses *was* very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the
sight of the people.
4 And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of
Egypt:
5 And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that
sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that *is* behind the mill;
and all the firstborn of beasts.
6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as there was none
like it, nor shall be like it any more.
7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or
beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians
and Israel.
8 And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto
me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee: and after that I will go out.
And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger.*†
9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you; that my wonders
may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.
10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD hardened
Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

12

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,
2 This month *shall be* unto you the beginning of months: it *shall be* the first month of the
year to you.

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‡ **10:16** called: Heb. hastened to call § **10:19** cast: Heb. fastened ** **10:21** even...: Heb. that one may feel darkness
†† **10:25** us: Heb. into our hands * **11:8** that follow...: Heb. that is at thy feet † **11:8** a great...: Heb. heat of anger

3 ¶ Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth *day* of this month they
shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of *their* fathers, a lamb for an
house:*
4 And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his
house take *it* according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall
make your count for the lamb.
5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take *it* out from
the sheep, or from the goats:†
6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole
assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.‡
7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike *it* on the two side posts and on the upper
door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.
8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; *and*
with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it.
9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast *with* fire; his head with his legs,
and with the purtenance thereof.
10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it
until the morning ye shall burn with fire.
11 ¶ And thus shall ye eat it; *with* your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your
staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it *is* the LORD's passover.
12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn
in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute
judgment: I *am* the LORD.§
13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are:* and when I see
the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you*, when
I smite the land of Egypt.**
14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD
throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.
15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven
out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the
seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.
16 And in the first day *there shall be* an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there
shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save *that*
which every man must eat, that only may be done of you.††
17 And ye shall observe *the feast of* unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I
brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your
generations by an ordinance for ever.
18 ¶ In the first *month*, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened
bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.
19 Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that
which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether
he be a stranger, or born in the land.
20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.
21 ¶ Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take
you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.‡‡
22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip *it* in the blood that *is* in the bason, and
strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that *is* in the bason; and none of you
shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.
23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood
upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not
suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite *you*.
24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.
25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the LORD will give you,
according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this service.
26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this
service?

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* **12:3** lamb: or, kid † **12:5** of...: Heb. son of a year ‡ **12:6** in...: Heb. between the two evenings § **12:12** gods: or, princes ** **12:13** to destroy...: Heb. for a destruction †† **12:16** man: Heb. soul ‡‡ **12:21** lamb: or, kid

27 That ye shall say, It *is* the sacrifice of the LORD's passover, who passed over the houses
of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses.
And the people bowed the head and worshipped.
28 And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and
Aaron, so did they.
29 ¶ And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of
Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive
that *was* in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.§§
30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and
there was a great cry in Egypt; for *there was* not a house where *there was* not one dead.
31 ¶ And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, *and* get you forth from
among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have
said.
32 Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also.
33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people, that they might send them out of the
land in haste; for they said, We *be* all dead *men*.
34 And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being
bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.***
35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of
the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment:
36 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent
unto them *such things as they required.* And they spoiled the Egyptians.
37 ¶ And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred
thousand on foot *that were* men, beside children.
38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, *even* very much
cattle.†††
39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt,
for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither
had they prepared for themselves any victual.
40 ¶ Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, *was* four hundred
and thirty years.
41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame
day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.
42 It *is* a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land
of Egypt: this *is* that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their
generations.‡‡‡
43 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron, This *is* the ordinance of the passover:
There shall no stranger eat thereof:
44 But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him,
then shall he eat thereof.
45 A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.
46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out
of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.
47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.§§§
48 And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the passover to the LORD,
let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as
one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.
49 One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among
you.
50 Thus did all the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did
they.
51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, *that* the LORD did bring the children of Israel out
of the land of Egypt by their armies.

13

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Sanctify unto me all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the children
of Israel, *both* of man and of beast: it *is* mine.

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§§ **12:29** dungeon: Heb. house of the pit *** **12:34** kneadingtroughs: or, dough ††† **12:38** a mixed...: Heb. a great mixture ‡‡‡ **12:42** a night...: Heb. a night of observations §§§ **12:47** keep...: Heb. do it

3 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt,
out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this
place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten.*
4 This day came ye out in the month Abib.
5 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, and
the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he sware unto thy
fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service
in this month.
6 Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day *shall be* a feast to
the LORD.
7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen
with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters.
8 ¶ And thou shalt shew thy son in that day, saying, *This is done* because of that *which* the
LORD did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt.
9 And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine
eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth: for with a strong hand hath the LORD
brought thee out of Egypt.
10 Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year to year.
11 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, as he
sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee,
12 That thou shalt set apart unto the LORD all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling
that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males *shall be* the LORD's.†
13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb; and if thou wilt not redeem
it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all the firstborn of man among thy children shalt
thou redeem.‡
14 ¶ And it shall be when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What *is* this? that
thou shalt say unto him, By strength of hand the LORD brought us out from Egypt, from the
house of bondage:§
15 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that the LORD slew all
the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of beast:
therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all that openeth the matrix, being males; but all the
firstborn of my children I redeem.
16 And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes: for
by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt.
17 ¶ And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not
through the way of the land of the Philistines, although that *was* near; for God said, Lest
peradventure the people repent when they see war, and they return to Egypt:
18 But God led the people about, *through* the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and
the children of Israel went up harnessed out of the land of Egypt.**
19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children
of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with
you.
20 ¶ And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of
the wilderness.
21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and
by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:
22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, *from*
before the people.

14

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pi-hahiroth,
between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the
sea.
3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They *are* entangled in the land, the
wilderness hath shut them in.
4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, that he shall follow after them; and I will be
honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I *am*
the LORD. And they did so.

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* **13:3** bondage: Heb. servants † **13:12** set...: Heb. cause to pass over ‡ **13:13** lamb: or, kid § **13:14** in...: Heb. to morrow ** **13:18** harnessed: or, by five in a rank

5 ¶ And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of
his servants was turned against the people, and they said, Why have we done this, that we
have let Israel go from serving us?
6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:
7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains
over every one of them.
8 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the
children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand.
9 But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses *and* chariots of Pharaoh, and his
horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth,
before Baal-zephon.
10 ¶ And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold,
the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid: and the children of Israel
cried out unto the LORD.
11 And they said unto Moses, Because *there were* no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us
away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out
of Egypt?
12 *Is* not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may
serve the Egyptians? For *it had been* better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we
should die in the wilderness.
13 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the
LORD, which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye
shall see them again no more for ever.*
14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.
15 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the
children of Israel, that they go forward:
16 But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the
children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea.
17 And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them:
and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon
his horsemen.
18 And the Egyptians shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon
Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.
19 ¶ And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went
behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind
them:
20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a
cloud and darkness *to them*, but it gave light by night *to these:* so that the one came not
near the other all the night.
21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go
back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry *land*, and the waters were
divided.
22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry *ground:* and the
waters *were* a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.
23 ¶ And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, *even* all
Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.
24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the host of the
Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians,
25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians
said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the
Egyptians.†
26 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters
may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.
27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength
when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD overthrew
the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.‡
28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, *and* all the host
of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them; there remained not so much as one of them.

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* **14:13** for the...: or, for whereas ye have seen the Egyptians to day † **14:25** that they...: or, and made them to go heavily ‡ **14:27** overthrew: Heb. shook off

29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry *land* in the midst of the sea; and the waters
were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.
30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw
the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.
31 And Israel saw that great work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people
feared the LORD, and believed the LORD, and his servant Moses.§

15

1 Then sang Moses and the children of Israel this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying,
I will sing unto the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath
he thrown into the sea.
2 The LORD *is* my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he *is* my God, and I
will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.
3 The LORD *is* a man of war: the LORD *is* his name.
4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are
drowned in the Red sea.
5 The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone.
6 Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath
dashed in pieces the enemy.
7 And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against
thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, *which* consumed them as stubble.
8 And with the blast of thy nostrils the waters were gathered together, the floods stood
upright as an heap, *and* the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.
9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be
satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them.*
10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty
waters.
11 Who *is* like unto thee, O LORD, among the gods? who *is* like thee, glorious in holiness,
fearful *in* praises, doing wonders?†
12 Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.
13 Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people *which* thou hast redeemed: thou hast
guided *them* in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.
14 The people shall hear, *and* be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of
Palestina.
15 Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall
take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.
16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the greatness of thine arm they shall be *as*
still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O LORD, till the people pass over, *which* thou hast
purchased.
17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, *in* the
place, O LORD, *which* thou hast made for thee to dwell in, *in* the Sanctuary, O Lord, *which*
thy hands have established.
18 The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.
19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea,
and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel
went on dry *land* in the midst of the sea.
20 ¶ And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel in her hand; and all
the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.
21 And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.
22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of
Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water.
23 ¶ And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they
were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.‡
24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?
25 And he cried unto the LORD; and the LORD shewed him a tree, *which* when he had
cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an
ordinance, and there he proved them,

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§ **14:31** work: Heb. hand * **15:9** destroy: or, repossess † **15:11** gods: or, mighty ones? ‡ **15:23** Marah: that is Bitterness

26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt
do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all
his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the
Egyptians: for I *am* the LORD that healeth thee.
27 ¶ And they came to Elim, where *were* twelve wells of water, and threescore and ten
palm trees: and they encamped there by the waters.

16

1 And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel
came unto the wilderness of Sin, which *is* between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of
the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt.
2 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and
Aaron in the wilderness:
3 And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the
LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, *and* when we did eat bread to
the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with
hunger.
4 ¶ Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you; and
the people shall go out and gather a certain rate every day, that I may prove them, whether
they will walk in my law, or no.*
5 And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare *that* which they bring
in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.
6 And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even, then ye shall know
that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt:
7 And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth your
murmurings against the LORD: and what *are* we, that ye murmur against us?
8 And Moses said, *This shall be*, when the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat,
and in the morning bread to the full; for that the LORD heareth your murmurings which ye
murmur against him: and what *are* we? your murmurings *are* not against us, but against
the LORD.
9 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel,
Come near before the LORD: for he hath heard your murmurings.
10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of
Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD appeared
in the cloud.
11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
12 I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel: speak unto them, saying, At
even ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know
that I *am* the LORD your God.
13 And it came to pass, that at even the quails came up, and covered the camp: and in the
morning the dew lay round about the host.
14 And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness *there
lay* a small round thing, *as* small as the hoar frost on the ground.
15 And when the children of Israel saw *it*, they said one to another, It *is* manna: for they
wist not what it *was*. And Moses said unto them, This *is* the bread which the LORD hath
given you to eat.†
16 ¶ This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, Gather of it every man according
to his eating, an omer for every man, *according to* the number of your persons; take ye
every man for *them* which *are* in his tents.‡§
17 And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less.
18 And when they did mete *it* with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and
he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating.
19 And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning.
20 Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the
morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them.
21 And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating: and when the
sun waxed hot, it melted.
22 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two
omers for one *man:* and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses.

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* **16:4** a certain...: Heb. the portion of a day in his day † **16:15** It is...: or, What is this? or, It is a portion ‡ **16:16** for every...: Heb. by the poll, or, head § **16:16** persons: Heb. souls

23 And he said unto them, This *is that* which the LORD hath said, To morrow *is* the rest
of the holy sabbath unto the LORD: bake *that* which ye will bake *to day*, and seethe that ye
will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning.
24 And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stink, neither was
there any worm therein.
25 And Moses said, Eat that to day; for to day *is* a sabbath unto the LORD: to day ye shall
not find it in the field.
26 Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, *which is* the sabbath, in it there shall
be none.
27 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* there went out *some* of the people on the seventh day for to
gather, and they found none.
28 And the LORD said unto Moses, How long refuse ye to keep my commandments and
my laws?
29 See, for that the LORD hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth
day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place
on the seventh day.
30 So the people rested on the seventh day.
31 And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it *was* like coriander seed,
white; and the taste of it *was* like wafers *made* with honey.
32 ¶ And Moses said, This *is* the thing which the LORD commandeth, Fill an omer of it to
be kept for your generations; that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the
wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.
33 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and
lay it up before the LORD, to be kept for your generations.
34 As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept.
35 And the children of Israel did eat manna forty years, until they came to a land
inhabited; they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan.
36 Now an omer *is* the tenth *part* of an ephah.

17

1 And all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of
Sin, after their journeys, according to the commandment of the LORD, and pitched in
Rephidim: and *there was* no water for the people to drink.
2 Wherefore the people did chide with Moses, and said, Give us water that we may drink.
And Moses said unto them, Why chide ye with me? wherefore do ye tempt the LORD?
3 And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and
said, Wherefore *is* this *that* thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children
and our cattle with thirst?
4 And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, What shall I do unto this people? they be almost
ready to stone me.
5 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go on before the people, and take with thee of the elders
of Israel; and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the river, take in thine hand, and go.
6 Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb; and thou shalt smite the
rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in
the sight of the elders of Israel.
7 And he called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, because of the chiding of the
children of Israel, and because they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or
not?*†
8 ¶ Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim.
9 And Moses said unto Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to
morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand.‡
10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron,
and Hur went up to the top of the hill.
11 And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he
let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.
12 But Moses' hands *were* heavy; and they took a stone, and put *it* under him, and he sat
thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on
the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.
13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

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* **17:7** Massah: that is, Temptation † **17:7** Meribah: that is, Chiding, or, Strife ‡ **17:9** Joshua: called Jesus

14 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this *for* a memorial in a book, and rehearse *it*
in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under
heaven.
15 And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi:§
16 For he said, Because the LORD hath sworn *that* the LORD *will have* war with Amalek
from generation to generation.**††

18

1 When Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of all that God had done
for Moses, and for Israel his people, *and* that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt;
2 Then Jethro, Moses' father in law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her
back,
3 And her two sons; of which the name of the one *was* Gershom; for he said, I have been
an alien in a strange land:*
4 And the name of the other *was* Eliezer; for the God of my father, *said he, was* mine help,
and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:†
5 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the
wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God:
6 And he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and
her two sons with her.
7 ¶ And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and
they asked each other of *their* welfare; and they came into the tent.‡
8 And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the
Egyptians for Israel's sake, *and* all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and
how the LORD delivered them.§
9 And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the LORD had done to Israel, whom he
had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.
10 And Jethro said, Blessed *be* the LORD, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the
Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the
hand of the Egyptians.
11 Now I know that the LORD *is* greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt
proudly *he was* above them.
12 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and
Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father in law before God.
13 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people: and the people
stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening.
14 And when Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What *is* this
thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand
by thee from morning unto even?
15 And Moses said unto his father in law, Because the people come unto me to enquire of
God:
16 When they have a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between one and another,
and I do make *them* know the statutes of God, and his laws.**
17 And Moses' father in law said unto him, The thing that thou doest *is* not good.
18 Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this people that *is* with thee: for this thing
is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.††
19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be
thou for the people to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God:
20 And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein
they must walk, and the work that they must do.
21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of
truth, hating covetousness; and place *such* over them, *to be* rulers of thousands, *and* rulers
of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:
22 And let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, *that* every great matter
they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for
thyself, and they shall bear *the burden* with thee.

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§ **17:15** Jehovah-nissi: that is, The LORD my banner ** **17:16** Because...: or, Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the LORD, therefore, etc †† **17:16** the LORD hath...: Heb. the hand upon the throne of the LORD * **18:3** Gershom: that is A stranger there † **18:4** Eliezer: that is, My God is an help ‡ **18:7** welfare: Heb. peace § **18:8** come...: Heb. found them ** **18:16** one...: Heb. a man and his fellow †† **18:18** Thou wilt...: Heb. Fading thou wilt fade

23 If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee *so*, then thou shalt be able to endure,
and all this people shall also go to their place in peace.
24 So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said.
25 And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people,
rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.
26 And they judged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they brought unto Moses,
but every small matter they judged themselves.
27 ¶ And Moses let his father in law depart; and he went his way into his own land.

19

1 In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt,
the same day came they *into* the wilderness of Sinai.
2 For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come *to* the desert of Sinai, and had
pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.
3 And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain,
saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;
4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and *how* I bare you on eagles' wings, and
brought you unto myself.
5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be
a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth *is* mine:
6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These *are* the words
which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.
7 ¶ And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all
these words which the LORD commanded him.
8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will
do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.
9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, that the people
may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of
the people unto the LORD.
10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them to day and to
morrow, and let them wash their clothes,
11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the
sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.
12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to
yourselves, *that ye* go *not* up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth
the mount shall be surely put to death:
13 There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through;
whether *it be* beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth long, they shall
come up to the mount.*
14 ¶ And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people;
and they washed their clothes.
15 And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day: come not at *your* wives.
16 ¶ And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and
lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud;
so that all the people that *was* in the camp trembled.
17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood
at the nether part of the mount.
18 And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it
in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount
quaked greatly.
19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses
spake, and God answered him by a voice.
20 And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD
called Moses *up* to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.
21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through
unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.†
22 And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves, lest the
LORD break forth upon them.
23 And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou
chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

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* **19:13** trumpet: or, cornet † **19:21** charge: Heb. contest

24 And the LORD said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and
Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the
LORD, lest he break forth upon them.
25 So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.

20

1 And God spake all these words, saying,
2 I *am* the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the
house of bondage.*
3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in
heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth:
5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a
jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth
generation of them that hate me;
6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my command-
ments.
7 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold
him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:
10 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any
work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy
cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:
11 For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and
rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.
12 ¶ Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which
the LORD thy God giveth thee.
13 Thou shalt not kill.
14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.
15 Thou shalt not steal.
16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.
17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife,
nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that *is* thy
neighbour's.
18 ¶ And all the people saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the noise of the
trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw *it*, they removed, and stood
afar off.
19 And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak
with us, lest we die.
20 And Moses said unto the people, Fear not: for God is come to prove you, and that his
fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.
21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where
God *was*.
22 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye
have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.
23 Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.
24 ¶ An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt
offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record
my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.
25 And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not build it of hewn stone: for if
thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it.†
26 Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered
thereon.

21

1 Now these *are* the judgments which thou shalt set before them.
2 If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go
out free for nothing.

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* **20:2** bondage: Heb. servants † **20:25** build...: Heb. build them with hewing

3 If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife
shall go out with him.*
4 If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or daughters; the wife
and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.
5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will
not go out free:†
6 Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door,
or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall
serve him for ever.
7 ¶ And if a man sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the
menservants do.
8 If she please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself, then shall he let her be
redeemed: to sell her unto a strange nation he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt
deceitfully with her.‡
9 And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of
daughters.
10 If he take him another *wife;* her food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he
not diminish.
11 And if he do not these three unto her, then shall she go out free without money.
12 ¶ He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death.
13 And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver *him* into his hand; then I will appoint thee
a place whither he shall flee.
14 But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him with guile; thou
shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.
15 ¶ And he that smiteth his father, or his mother, shall be surely put to death.
16 ¶ And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall
surely be put to death.
17 ¶ And he that curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.§
18 ¶ And if men strive together, and one smite another with a stone, or with *his* fist, and
he die not, but keepeth *his* bed:**
19 If he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote *him* be quit:
only he shall pay *for* the loss of his time, and shall cause *him* to be thoroughly healed.††
20 ¶ And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand;
he shall be surely punished.‡‡
21 Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he *is* his
money.
22 ¶ If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart *from her*, and yet
no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will
lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges *determine*.
23 And if *any* mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life,
24 Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,
25 Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.
26 ¶ And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his maid, that it perish; he
shall let him go free for his eye's sake.
27 And if he smite out his manservant's tooth, or his maidservant's tooth; he shall let him
go free for his tooth's sake.
28 ¶ If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned, and
his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox *shall be* quit.
29 But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to
his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox
shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.
30 If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for the ransom of his life
whatsoever is laid upon him.
31 Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment
shall it be done unto him.
32 If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give unto their master
thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

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* **21:3** by himself: Heb. with his body † **21:5** shall...: Heb. saying shall say ‡ **21:8** please...: Heb. be evil in the eyes of, etc § **21:17** curseth: or, revileth ** **21:18** another: or, his neighbour †† **21:19** the loss...: Heb. his ceasing ‡‡ **21:20** punished: Heb. avenged

33 ¶ And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or
an ass fall therein;
34 The owner of the pit shall make *it* good, *and* give money unto the owner of them; and
the dead *beast* shall be his.
35 ¶ And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he die; then they shall sell the live ox, and
divide the money of it; and the dead *ox* also they shall divide.
36 Or if it be known that the ox hath used to push in time past, and his owner hath not
kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own.

22

1 If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for
an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.*
2 ¶ If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die, *there shall* no blood *be shed*
for him.
3 If the sun be risen upon him, *there shall be* blood *shed* for him; *for* he should make full
restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.
4 If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he
shall restore double.
5 ¶ If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall
feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard,
shall he make restitution.
6 ¶ If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn,
or the field, be consumed *therewith;* he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.
7 ¶ If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out
of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double.
8 If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be brought unto the judges,
to see whether he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.
9 For all manner of trespass, *whether it be* for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, *or* for any
manner of lost thing, which *another* challengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall
come before the judges; *and* whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his
neighbour.
10 If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep;
and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing *it:*
11 *Then* shall an oath of the LORD be between them both, that he hath not put his hand
unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept *thereof*, and he shall not make
it good.
12 And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof.
13 If it be torn in pieces, *then* let him bring it *for* witness, *and* he shall not make good that
which was torn.
14 ¶ And if a man borrow *ought* of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof
being not with it, he shall surely make *it* good.
15 *But* if the owner thereof *be* with it, he shall not make *it* good: if it *be* an hired *thing*, it
came for his hire.
16 ¶ And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely
endow her to be his wife.
17 If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money according to the
dowry of virgins.†
18 ¶ Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live.
19 ¶ Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.
20 ¶ He that sacrificeth unto *any* god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly
destroyed.
21 ¶ Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land
of Egypt.
22 ¶ Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.
23 If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry;
24 And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall
be widows, and your children fatherless.
25 ¶ If thou lend money to *any of* my people *that is* poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him
as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury.

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* **22:1** or a sheep: or, or a goat † **22:17** pay: Heb. weigh

26 If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by
that the sun goeth down:
27 For that *is* his covering only, it *is* his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and
it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I *am* gracious.
28 ¶ Thou shalt not revile the gods, nor curse the ruler of thy people.‡
29 ¶ Thou shalt not delay *to offer* the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn
of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.§**
30 Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, *and* with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with
his dam; on the eighth day thou shalt give it me.
31 ¶ And ye shall be holy men unto me: neither shall ye eat *any* flesh *that is* torn of beasts
in the field; ye shall cast it to the dogs.

23

1 Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an
unrighteous witness.*
2 ¶ Thou shalt not follow a multitude to *do* evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to
decline after many to wrest *judgment:*†
3 ¶ Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.
4 ¶ If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back
to him again.
5 If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear
to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.‡
6 Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.
7 Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I
will not justify the wicked.
8 ¶ And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of
the righteous.§
9 ¶ Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye
were strangers in the land of Egypt.**
10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:
11 But the seventh *year* thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may
eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal
with thy vineyard, *and* with thy oliveyard.††
12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox
and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.
13 And in all *things* that I have said unto you be circumspect: and make no mention of
the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.
14 ¶ Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.
15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven
days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest
out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)
16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field:
and the feast of ingathering, *which is* in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy
labours out of the field.
17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD.
18 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the
fat of my sacrifice remain until the morning.‡‡
19 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy
God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.
20 ¶ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into
the place which I have prepared.
21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your
transgressions: for my name *is* in him.
22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy
unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.§§

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‡ **22:28** gods: or, judges § **22:29** the first...: Heb. thy fulness ** **22:29** liquors: Heb. tear * **23:1** raise: or, receive † **23:2** speak: Heb. answer ‡ **23:5** and...: or, wilt thou cease to help him? or, and wouldest cease to leave thy business for him: thou shalt surely leave it to join with him § **23:8** the wise: Heb. the seeing ** **23:9** heart: Heb. soul †† **23:11** oliveyard: or, olive trees ‡‡ **23:18** sacrifice: or, feast §§ **23:22** an adversary...: or, I will afflict them that afflict thee

23 For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the
Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will
cut them off.
24 Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but
thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their images.
25 And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and
I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.
26 ¶ There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy
days I will fulfil.
27 I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt
come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee.***
28 And I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite,
and the Hittite, from before thee.
29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate,
and the beast of the field multiply against thee.
30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and
inherit the land.
31 And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and
from the desert unto the river: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand;
and thou shalt drive them out before thee.
32 Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.
33 They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve
their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.

24

1 And he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu,
and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off.
2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall
the people go up with him.
3 ¶ And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments:
and all the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the LORD hath
said will we do.
4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and
builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.
5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and
sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.
6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put *it* in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled
on the altar.
7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they
said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.
8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the people, and said, Behold the blood of
the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.
9 ¶ Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:
10 And they saw the God of Israel: and *there was* under his feet as it were a paved work
of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in *his* clearness.
11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God,
and did eat and drink.
12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and
I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that
thou mayest teach them.
13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of God.
14 And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and,
behold, Aaron and Hur *are* with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto
them.
15 And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.
16 And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days:
and the seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.
17 And the sight of the glory of the LORD *was* like devouring fire on the top of the mount
in the eyes of the children of Israel.

*** **23:27** backs: Heb. neck

18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses
was in the mount forty days and forty nights.

25

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that
giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.*†
3 And this *is* the offering which ye shall take of them; gold, and silver, and brass,‡
4 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*,§
5 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,
6 Oil for the light, spices for anointing oil, and for sweet incense,
7 Onyx stones, and stones to be set in the ephod, and in the breastplate.
8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.
9 According to all that I shew thee, *after* the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of
all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make *it*.
10 ¶ And they shall make an ark *of* shittim wood: two cubits and a half *shall be* the length
thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
11 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and
shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about.
12 And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put *them* in the four corners thereof;
and two rings *shall be* in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it.
13 And thou shalt make staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.
14 And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, that the ark may be
borne with them.
15 The staves shall be in the rings of the ark: they shall not be taken from it.
16 And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee.
17 And thou shalt make a mercy seat *of* pure gold: two cubits and a half *shall be* the length
thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.
18 And thou shalt make two cherubims *of* gold, *of* beaten work shalt thou make them, in
the two ends of the mercy seat.
19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: *even* of
the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.**
20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth *their* wings on high, covering the mercy seat
with their wings, and their faces *shall look* one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the
faces of the cherubims be.
21 And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put
the testimony that I shall give thee.
22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy
seat, from between the two cherubims which *are* upon the ark of the testimony, of all *things*
which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.
23 ¶ Thou shalt also make a table *of* shittim wood: two cubits *shall be* the length thereof,
and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
24 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round
about.
25 And thou shalt make unto it a border of an hand breadth round about, and thou shalt
make a golden crown to the border thereof round about.
26 And thou shalt make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that
are on the four feet thereof.
27 Over against the border shall the rings be for places of the staves to bear the table.
28 And thou shalt make the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold, that the
table may be borne with them.
29 And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and covers thereof, and
bowls thereof, to cover withal: *of* pure gold shalt thou make them.††
30 And thou shalt set upon the table shewbread before me alway.
31 ¶ And thou shalt make a candlestick *of* pure gold: *of* beaten work shall the candlestick
be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the
same.

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* **25:2** bring me: Heb. take for me † **25:2** offering: or, heave offering ‡ **25:3** offering: or, heave offering § **25:4** fine...: or, silk ** **25:19** of...: or, of the matter of the mercy seat †† **25:29** to...: or, to pour out withal

32 And six branches shall come out of the sides of it; three branches of the candlestick out
of the one side, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side:
33 Three bowls made like unto almonds, *with* a knop and a flower in one branch; and
three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, *with* a knop and a flower: so in the six
branches that come out of the candlestick.
34 And in the candlestick *shall be* four bowls made like unto almonds, *with* their knops
and their flowers.
35 And *there shall be* a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two
branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six
branches that proceed out of the candlestick.
36 Their knops and their branches shall be of the same: all it *shall be* one beaten work *of*
pure gold.
37 And thou shalt make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall light the lamps thereof,
that they may give light over against it.‡‡§§
38 And the tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, *shall be of* pure gold.
39 *Of* a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.
40 And look that thou make *them* after their pattern, which was shewed thee in the
mount.***

26

1 Moreover thou shalt make the tabernacle *with* ten curtains *of* fine twined linen, and
blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* cherubims of cunning work shalt thou make them.*
2 The length of one curtain *shall be* eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of one
curtain four cubits: and every one of the curtains shall have one measure.
3 The five curtains shall be coupled together one to another; and *other* five curtains *shall*
be coupled one to another.
4 And thou shalt make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge
in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou make in the uttermost edge of *another* curtain, in
the coupling of the second.†
5 Fifty loops shalt thou make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shalt thou make in the
edge of the curtain that *is* in the coupling of the second; that the loops may take hold one
of another.
6 And thou shalt make fifty taches of gold, and couple the curtains together with the
taches: and it shall be one tabernacle.
7 ¶ And thou shalt make curtains *of* goats' *hair* to be a covering upon the tabernacle:
eleven curtains shalt thou make.
8 The length of one curtain *shall be* thirty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four
cubits: and the eleven curtains *shall be all* of one measure.
9 And thou shalt couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and
shalt double the sixth curtain in the forefront of the tabernacle.
10 And thou shalt make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain *that is* outmost in the
coupling, and fifty loops in the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.
11 And thou shalt make fifty taches of brass, and put the taches into the loops, and couple
the tent together, that it may be one.‡
12 And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that
remaineth, shall hang over the backside of the tabernacle.
13 And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side of that which remaineth in
the length of the curtains of the tent, it shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this
side and on that side, to cover it.§
14 And thou shalt make a covering for the tent *of* rams' skins dyed red, and a covering
above *of* badgers' skins.
15 ¶ And thou shalt make boards for the tabernacle *of* shittim wood standing up.
16 Ten cubits *shall be* the length of a board, and a cubit and a half *shall be* the breadth of
one board.
17 Two tenons *shall there be* in one board, set in order one against another: thus shalt
thou make for all the boards of the tabernacle.**

‡‡ **25:37** shall light: or, shall cause to ascend §§ **25:37** it: Heb. the face of it *** **25:40** which...: Heb. which thou wast caused to see * **26:1** of cunning...: Heb. the work of a cunning workman, or, embroiderer † **26:4** selvedge: an edge of cloth so woven that it cannot unravel ‡ **26:11** tent: or, covering § **26:13** of that...: Heb. in the remainder, or, surplus ** **26:17** tenons: Heb. hands

18 And thou shalt make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards on the south side southward.
19 And thou shalt make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.[††]
20 And for the second side of the tabernacle on the north side *there shall be* twenty boards:
21 And their forty sockets *of* silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.
22 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward thou shalt make six boards.
23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.
24 And they shall be coupled together beneath, and they shall be coupled together above the head of it unto one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners.[‡‡]
25 And they shall be eight boards, and their sockets *of* silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.
26 ¶ And thou shalt make bars *of* shittim wood; five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle,
27 And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the two sides westward.
28 And the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall reach from end to end.
29 And thou shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings *of* gold *for* places for the bars: and thou shalt overlay the bars with gold.
30 And thou shalt rear up the tabernacle according to the fashion thereof which was shewed thee in the mount.
31 ¶ And thou shalt make a vail *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubims shall it be made:
32 And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim *wood* overlaid with gold: their hooks *shall be of* gold, upon the four sockets of silver.
33 ¶ And thou shalt hang up the vail under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither within the vail the ark of the testimony: and the vail shall divide unto you between the holy *place* and the most holy.
34 And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy *place*.
35 And thou shalt set the table without the vail, and the candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south: and thou shalt put the table on the north side.
36 And thou shalt make an hanging for the door of the tent, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework.
37 And thou shalt make for the hanging five pillars *of* shittim *wood*, and overlay them with gold, *and* their hooks *shall be of* gold: and thou shalt cast five sockets of brass for them.

27

1 And thou shalt make an altar *of* shittim wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be foursquare: and the height thereof *shall be* three cubits.
2 And thou shalt make the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and thou shalt overlay it with brass.
3 And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels, and his basons, and his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels thereof thou shalt make *of* brass.
4 And thou shalt make for it a grate of network *of* brass; and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof.
5 And thou shalt put it under the compass of the altar beneath, that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.
6 And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with brass.
7 And the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two sides of the altar, to bear it.
8 Hollow with boards shalt thou make it: as it was shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make *it*.[*]
9 ¶ And thou shalt make the court of the tabernacle: for the south side southward *there shall be* hangings for the court *of* fine twined linen of an hundred cubits long for one side:
10 And the twenty pillars thereof and their twenty sockets *shall be of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *shall be of* silver.

[††] **26:19** tenons: Heb. hands [‡‡] **26:24** coupled: Heb. twinned [*] **27:8** it was...: Heb. he shewed

11 And likewise for the north side in length *there shall be* hangings of an hundred *cubits*
long, and his twenty pillars and their twenty sockets *of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and
their fillets *of* silver.
12 ¶ And *for* the breadth of the court on the west side *shall be* hangings of fifty cubits:
their pillars ten, and their sockets ten.
13 And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward *shall be* fifty cubits.
14 The hangings of one side *of the gate shall be* fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their
sockets three.
15 And on the other side *shall be* hangings fifteen *cubits:* their pillars three, and their
sockets three.
16 ¶ And for the gate of the court *shall be* an hanging of twenty cubits, *of* blue, and purple,
and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework: *and* their pillars *shall be* four,
and their sockets four.
17 All the pillars round about the court *shall be* filleted with silver; their hooks *shall be of*
silver, and their sockets *of* brass.
18 ¶ The length of the court *shall be* an hundred cubits, and the breadth fifty every where,
and the height five cubits *of* fine twined linen, and their sockets *of* brass.†
19 All the vessels of the tabernacle in all the service thereof, and all the pins thereof, and
all the pins of the court, *shall be of* brass.
20 ¶ And thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure oil olive
beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always.‡
21 In the tabernacle of the congregation without the vail, which *is* before the testimony,
Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening to morning before the LORD: *it shall be* a
statute for ever unto their generations on the behalf of the children of Israel.

28

1 And take thou unto thee Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the
children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office, *even* Aaron, Nadab
and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.
2 And thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron thy brother for glory and for beauty.
3 And thou shalt speak unto all *that are* wise hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit
of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister
unto me in the priest's office.
4 And these *are* the garments which they shall make; a breastplate, and an ephod, and a
robe, and a broidered coat, a mitre, and a girdle: and they shall make holy garments for
Aaron thy brother, and his sons, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.
5 And they shall take gold, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen.
6 ¶ And they shall make the ephod *of* gold, *of* blue, and *of* purple, *of* scarlet, and fine
twined linen, with cunning work.
7 It shall have the two shoulderpieces thereof joined at the two edges thereof; and *so* it
shall be joined together.
8 And the curious girdle of the ephod, which *is* upon it, shall be of the same, according to
the work thereof; *even of* gold, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.*
9 And thou shalt take two onyx stones, and grave on them the names of the children of
Israel:
10 Six of their names on one stone, and *the other* six names of the rest on the other stone,
according to their birth.
11 With the work of an engraver in stone, *like* the engravings of a signet, shalt thou
engrave the two stones with the names of the children of Israel: thou shalt make them
to be set in ouches of gold.
12 And thou shalt put the two stones upon the shoulders of the ephod *for* stones of
memorial unto the children of Israel: and Aaron shall bear their names before the LORD
upon his two shoulders for a memorial.
13 ¶ And thou shalt make ouches *of* gold;
14 And two chains *of* pure gold at the ends; *of* wreathen work shalt thou make them, and
fasten the wreathen chains to the ouches.
15 ¶ And thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning work; after the work
of the ephod thou shalt make it; *of* gold, *of* blue, and *of* purple, and *of* scarlet, and *of* fine
twined linen, shalt thou make it.

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† **27:18** fifty...: Heb. fifty by fifty ‡ **27:20** to burn: Heb. to ascend up * **28:8** curious: or, embroidered

16 Foursquare it shall be *being* doubled; a span *shall be* the length thereof, and a span
shall be the breadth thereof.
17 And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, *even* four rows of stones: *the first* row *shall*
be a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: *this shall be* the first row.†‡
18 And the second row *shall be* an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.
19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.
20 And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their
inclosings.§
21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according
to their names, *like* the engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be
according to the twelve tribes.
22 ¶ And thou shalt make upon the breastplate chains at the ends *of* wreathen work *of*
pure gold.
23 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shalt put the two rings
on the two ends of the breastplate.
24 And thou shalt put the two wreathen *chains* of gold in the two rings *which are* on the
ends of the breastplate.
25 And *the other* two ends of the two wreathen *chains* thou shalt fasten in the two ouches,
and put *them* on the shoulderpieces of the ephod before it.
26 ¶ And thou shalt make two rings of gold, and thou shalt put them upon the two ends of
the breastplate in the border thereof, which *is* in the side of the ephod inward.
27 And two *other* rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them on the two sides of the
ephod underneath, toward the forepart thereof, over against the *other* coupling thereof,
above the curious girdle of the ephod.
28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof unto the rings of the ephod
with a lace of blue, that *it* may be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the
breastplate be not loosed from the ephod.
29 And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment
upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy *place*, for a memorial before the LORD
continually.
30 ¶ And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and
they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear
the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.
31 ¶ And thou shalt make the robe of the ephod all *of* blue.
32 And there shall be an hole in the top of it, in the midst thereof: it shall have a binding
of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of an habergeon, that it be not
rent.
33 ¶ And *beneath* upon the hem of it thou shalt make pomegranates *of* blue, and *of* purple,
and *of* scarlet, round about the hem thereof; and bells of gold between them round about:**
34 A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of
the robe round about.
35 And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and his sound shall be heard when he goeth in
unto the holy *place* before the LORD, and when he cometh out, that he die not.
36 ¶ And thou shalt make a plate *of* pure gold, and grave upon it, *like* the engravings of a
signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.
37 And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon the mitre; upon the forefront
of the mitre it shall be.
38 And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, that Aaron may bear the iniquity of the holy
things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always
upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD.
39 ¶ And thou shalt embroider the coat of fine linen, and thou shalt make the mitre *of* fine
linen, and thou shalt make the girdle *of* needlework.
40 ¶ And for Aaron's sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make for them girdles,
and bonnets shalt thou make for them, for glory and for beauty.
41 And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him; and shalt
anoint them, and consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in
the priest's office.††

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† **28:17** set...: Heb. fill in it fillings of stone ‡ **28:17** sardius: or, ruby § **28:20** inclosings: Heb. fillings ** **28:33** hem: or, skirts †† **28:41** consecrate...: Heb. fill their hand

42 And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins
even unto the thighs they shall reach:‡‡§§
43 And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they come in unto the
tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come near unto the altar to minister in the
holy *place;* that they bear not iniquity, and die: *it shall be* a statute for ever unto him and
his seed after him.

29

1 And this *is* the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow them, to minister unto me
in the priest's office: Take one young bullock, and two rams without blemish,
2 And unleavened bread, and cakes unleavened tempered with oil, and wafers unleav-
ened anointed with oil: *of* wheaten flour shalt thou make them.
3 And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullock
and the two rams.
4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tabernacle of the
congregation, and shalt wash them with water.
5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the
ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the curious girdle of the
ephod:
6 And thou shalt put the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre.
7 Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour *it* upon his head, and anoint him.
8 And thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them.
9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and put the bonnets on them:
and the priest's office shall be theirs for a perpetual statute: and thou shalt consecrate
Aaron and his sons.*†
10 And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the tabernacle of the congregation:
and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock.
11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the
congregation.
12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar
with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar.
13 And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul *that is* above the
liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and burn *them* upon the altar.‡
14 But the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt thou burn with fire
without the camp: it *is* a sin offering.
15 ¶ Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the
head of the ram.
16 And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take his blood, and sprinkle *it* round about
upon the altar.
17 And thou shalt cut the ram in pieces, and wash the inwards of him, and his legs, and
put *them* unto his pieces, and unto his head.§
18 And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the altar: it *is* a burnt offering unto the LORD:
it *is* a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD.
19 ¶ And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon
the head of the ram.
20 Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of his blood, and put *it* upon the tip of the right
ear of Aaron, and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their
right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar
round about.
21 And thou shalt take of the blood that *is* upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and
sprinkle *it* upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments
of his sons with him: and he shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his
sons' garments with him.
22 Also thou shalt take of the ram the fat and the rump, and the fat that covereth the
inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them,
and the right shoulder; for it *is* a ram of consecration:
23 And one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer out of the basket of
the unleavened bread that *is* before the LORD:

‡‡ **28:42** their...: Heb. flesh of their nakedness §§ **28:42** reach: Heb. be * **29:9** put: Heb. bind † **29:9** consecrate: Heb. fill the hand of ‡ **29:13** the caul: it seemeth by anatomy, and the Hebrew doctors, to be the midriff § **29:17** unto: or, upon

24 And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shalt
wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD.**
25 And thou shalt receive them of their hands, and burn *them* upon the altar for a burnt
offering, for a sweet savour before the LORD: it *is* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.
26 And thou shalt take the breast of the ram of Aaron's consecration, and wave it *for* a
wave offering before the LORD: and it shall be thy part.
27 And thou shalt sanctify the breast of the wave offering, and the shoulder of the heave
offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, of the ram of the consecration, *even* of
that which *is* for Aaron, and of *that* which is for his sons:
28 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons' by a statute for ever from the children of Israel:
for it *is* an heave offering: and it shall be an heave offering from the children of Israel of
the sacrifice of their peace offerings, *even* their heave offering unto the LORD.
29 ¶ And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to be anointed therein,
and to be consecrated in them.
30 *And* that son that is priest in his stead shall put them on seven days, when he cometh
into the tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the holy *place*.††
31 ¶ And thou shalt take the ram of the consecration, and seethe his flesh in the holy place.
32 And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram, and the bread that *is* in the basket,
by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
33 And they shall eat those things wherewith the atonement was made, to consecrate *and*
to sanctify them: but a stranger shall not eat *thereof*, because they *are* holy.
34 And if ought of the flesh of the consecrations, or of the bread, remain unto the morning,
then thou shalt burn the remainder with fire: it shall not be eaten, because it *is* holy.
35 And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all *things* which I have
commanded thee: seven days shalt thou consecrate them.
36 And thou shalt offer every day a bullock *for* a sin offering for atonement: and thou
shalt cleanse the altar, when thou hast made an atonement for it, and thou shalt anoint it,
to sanctify it.
37 Seven days thou shalt make an atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be
an altar most holy: whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy.
38 ¶ Now this *is that* which thou shalt offer upon the altar; two lambs of the first year day
by day continually.
39 The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer at
even:
40 And with the one lamb a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of an hin of
beaten oil; and the fourth part of an hin of wine *for* a drink offering.
41 And the other lamb thou shalt offer at even, and shalt do thereto according to the meat
offering of the morning, and according to the drink offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an
offering made by fire unto the LORD.
42 *This shall be* a continual burnt offering throughout your generations *at* the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD: where I will meet you, to speak there unto
thee.
43 And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and *the tabernacle* shall be sanctified
by my glory.‡‡
44 And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also
both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office.
45 ¶ And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God.
46 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God, that brought them forth out of the
land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I *am* the LORD their God.

30

1 And thou shalt make an altar to burn incense upon: *of* shittim wood shalt thou make it.
2 A cubit *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof; foursquare shall it
be: and two cubits *shall be* the height thereof: the horns thereof *shall be* of the same.
3 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the top thereof, and the sides thereof round
about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make unto it a crown of gold round about.*†
4 And two golden rings shalt thou make to it under the crown of it, by the two corners
thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make *it;* and they shall be for places for the
staves to bear it withal.‡

** **29:24** shalt wave: or, shalt shake to and fro †† **29:30** that son: Heb. he of his sons ‡‡ **29:43** the tabernacle: or, Israel * **30:3** top: Heb. roof † **30:3** sides: Heb. walls ‡ **30:4** corners: Heb. ribs

5 And thou shalt make the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.
6 And thou shalt put it before the vail that *is* by the ark of the testimony, before the mercy
seat that *is* over the testimony, where I will meet with thee.
7 And Aaron shall burn thereon sweet incense every morning: when he dresseth the
lamps, he shall burn incense upon it.§
8 And when Aaron lighteth the lamps at even, he shall burn incense upon it, a perpetual
incense before the LORD throughout your generations.**††
9 Ye shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice, nor meat offering; neither
shall ye pour drink offering thereon.
10 And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a year with the
blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it
throughout your generations: it *is* most holy unto the LORD.
11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
12 When thou takest the sum of the children of Israel after their number, then shall they
give every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when thou numberest them; that
there be no plague among them, when *thou* numberest them.‡‡
13 This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a
shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel *is* twenty gerahs:) an half shekel *shall be*
the offering of the LORD.
14 Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty years old and
above, shall give an offering unto the LORD.
15 The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a shekel, when
they give an offering unto the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.§§***
16 And thou shalt take the atonement money of the children of Israel, and shalt appoint
it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be a memorial unto the
children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.
17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
18 Thou shalt also make a laver *of* brass, and his foot *also of* brass, to wash *withal:* and
thou shalt put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and thou shalt
put water therein.
19 For Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet thereat:
20 When they go into the tabernacle of the congregation, they shall wash with water, that
they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn offering made by fire
unto the LORD:
21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not: and it shall be a statute
for ever to them, *even* to him and to his seed throughout their generations.
22 ¶ Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
23 Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure myrrh five hundred *shekels*, and of
sweet cinnamon half so much, *even* two hundred and fifty *shekels*, and of sweet calamus
two hundred and fifty *shekels*,
24 And of cassia five hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an
hin:
25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of
the apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil.†††
26 And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the
testimony,
27 And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of
incense,
28 And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the laver and his foot.
29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them
shall be holy.
30 And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that *they* may minister
unto me in the priest's office.
31 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anointing
oil unto me throughout your generations.
32 Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make *any other* like it, after
the composition of it: it *is* holy, *and* it shall be holy unto you.

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§ **30:7** sweet incense: Heb. incense of spices ** **30:8** lighteth: or setteth up: Heb. causeth to ascend †† **30:8** at even: Heb. between the two evenings ‡‡ **30:12** their number: Heb. them that are to be numbered §§ **30:15** give more: Heb. multiply *** **30:15** give less: Heb. diminish ††† **30:25** apothecary: or, perfumer

33 Whosoever compoundeth *any* like it, or whosoever putteth *any* of it upon a stranger,
shall even be cut off from his people.
34 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte, and onycha, and
galbanum; *these* sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like *weight:*
35 And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary,
tempered together, pure *and* holy:‡‡‡
36 And thou shalt beat *some* of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the
tabernacle of the congregation, where I will meet with thee: it shall be unto you most holy.
37 And *as for* the perfume which thou shalt make, ye shall not make to yourselves
according to the composition thereof: it shall be unto thee holy for the LORD.
38 Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, shall even be cut off from his
people.

31

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 See, I have called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:
3 And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in
knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,
4 To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,
5 And in cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of
workmanship.
6 And I, behold, I have given with him Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan:
and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all
that I have commanded thee;
7 The tabernacle of the congregation, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat
that *is* thereupon, and all the furniture of the tabernacle,*
8 And the table and his furniture, and the pure candlestick with all his furniture, and the
altar of incense,†
9 And the altar of burnt offering with all his furniture, and the laver and his foot,‡
10 And the cloths of service, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments
of his sons, to minister in the priest's office,
11 And the anointing oil, and sweet incense for the holy *place:* according to all that I have
commanded thee shall they do.
12 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep:
for it *is* a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that *ye* may know that I
am the LORD that doth sanctify you.
14 Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it *is* holy unto you: every one that defileth it
shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth *any* work therein, that soul shall be cut
off from among his people.
15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh *is* the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD:
whosoever doeth *any* work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.§
16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath
throughout their generations, *for* a perpetual covenant.
17 It *is* a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for *in* six days the LORD
made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.
18 ¶ And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon
mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

32

1 And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people
gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which
shall go before us; for *as for* this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt,
we wot not what is become of him.
2 And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which *are* in the ears of your
wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring *them* unto me.
3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which *were* in their ears, and brought
them unto Aaron.

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‡‡‡ **30:35** tempered...: Heb. salted * **31:7** furniture: Heb. vessels † **31:8** furniture: Heb. vessels ‡ **31:9** furniture: Heb. vessels § **31:15** holy: Heb. holiness

4 And he received *them* at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had
made it a molten calf: and they said, These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out
of the land of Egypt.
5 And when Aaron saw *it*, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and
said, To morrow *is* a feast to the LORD.
6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace
offerings; and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.
7 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou
broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted *themselves:*
8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have
made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said,
These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.
9 And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it *is* a stiffnecked
people:
10 Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may
consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation.
11 And Moses besought the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot
against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power,
and with a mighty hand?*
12 Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to
slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from
thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people.
13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine
own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this
land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit *it* for ever.
14 And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.
15 ¶ And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the
testimony *were* in his hand: the tables *were* written on both their sides; on the one side
and on the other *were* they written.
16 And the tables *were* the work of God, and the writing *was* the writing of God, graven
upon the tables.
17 And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses,
There is a noise of war in the camp.
18 And he said, *It is* not the voice of *them that* shout for mastery, neither *is it* the voice of
them that cry for being overcome: *but* the noise of *them that* sing do I hear.†
19 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf,
and the dancing: and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and
brake them beneath the mount.
20 And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt *it* in the fire, and ground *it* to
powder, and strawed *it* upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink *of it*.
21 And Moses said unto Aaron, What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought so
great a sin upon them?
22 And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord wax hot: thou knowest the people, that
they *are set* on mischief.
23 For they said unto me, Make us gods, which shall go before us: for *as for* this Moses,
the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.
24 And I said unto them, Whosoever hath any gold, let them break *it* off. So they gave *it*
me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf.
25 ¶ And when Moses saw that the people *were* naked; (for Aaron had made them naked
unto *their* shame among their enemies:)‡
26 Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who *is* on the LORD's side? *let him
come* unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him.
27 And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Put every man his sword by
his side, *and* go in and out from gate to gate throughout the camp, and slay every man his
brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour.
28 And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the
people that day about three thousand men.

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* **32:11** the LORD: Heb. the face of the LORD † **32:18** being...: Heb. weakness ‡ **32:25** their enemies: Heb. those that rose up against them

29 For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves to day to the LORD, even every man upon
his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day.§**
30 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned
a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement
for your sin.
31 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin,
and have made them gods of gold.
32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin—; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book
which thou hast written.
33 And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out
of my book.
34 Therefore now go, lead the people unto *the place* of which I have spoken unto thee:
behold, mine Angel shall go before thee: nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit
their sin upon them.
35 And the LORD plagued the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made.

33

1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Depart, *and* go up hence, thou and the people which
thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land which I sware unto Abraham,
to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, Unto thy seed will I give it:
2 And I will send an angel before thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite,
and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite:
3 Unto a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for
thou *art* a stiffnecked people: lest I consume thee in the way.
4 ¶ And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and no man did put on
him his ornaments.
5 For the LORD had said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, Ye *are* a stiffnecked
people: I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore
now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do unto thee.
6 And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by the mount Horeb.
7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp,
and called it the Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, *that* every one which
sought the LORD went out unto the tabernacle of the congregation, which *was* without the
camp.
8 And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the tabernacle, *that* all the people rose
up, and stood every man *at* his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into
the tabernacle.
9 And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended,
and stood *at* the door of the tabernacle, and *the LORD* talked with Moses.
10 And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand *at* the tabernacle door: and all the people
rose up and worshipped, every man *in* his tent door.
11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he
turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed
not out of the tabernacle.
12 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and
thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee
by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.
13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way,
that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation *is* thy
people.
14 And he said, My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee rest.
15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence.
16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight?
is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the
people that *are* upon the face of the earth.
17 And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou
hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.
18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

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§ **32:29** For Moses...: or, And Moses said, Consecrate yourselves to day to the LORD, because every man hath been against his brother, etc ** **32:29** Consecrate...: Heb. Fill your hands

19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name
of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew
mercy on whom I will shew mercy.
20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.
21 And the LORD said, Behold, *there is* a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:
22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the
rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by:
23 And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall
not be seen.

34

1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I
will write upon *these* tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.
2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and
present thyself there to me in the top of the mount.
3 And no man shall come up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the
mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount.
4 ¶ And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the
morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in
his hand the two tables of stone.
5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the
name of the LORD.
6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God,
merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,
7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that
will by no means clear *the guilty;* visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and
upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth *generation*.
8 And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.
9 And he said, If now I have found grace in thy sight, O Lord, let my Lord, I pray thee, go
among us; for it *is* a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us
for thine inheritance.
10 ¶ And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such
as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which
thou *art* shall see the work of the LORD: for it *is* a terrible thing that I will do with thee.
11 Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee
the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the
Jebusite.
12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land
whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee:
13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves:*
14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name *is* Jealous, *is* a jealous
God:
15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after
their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and *one* call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice;
16 And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after
their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.
17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.
18 ¶ The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened
bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month Abib: for in the month Abib thou
camest out from Egypt.
19 All that openeth the matrix *is* mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, *whether* ox
or sheep, *that is male*.†
20 But the firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb: and if thou redeem *him* not,
then shalt thou break his neck. All the firstborn of thy sons thou shalt redeem. And none
shall appear before me empty.‡
21 ¶ Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and
in harvest thou shalt rest.
22 ¶ And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the
feast of ingathering at the year's end.§

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* **34:13** images: Heb. statues † **34:19** sheep: or, kid ‡ **34:20** lamb: or, kid § **34:22** year's end: Heb. revolution of the year

23 ¶ Thrice in the year shall all your men children appear before the Lord GOD, the God
of Israel.
24 For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any
man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in
the year.
25 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of
the feast of the passover be left unto the morning.
26 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the LORD thy
God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.
27 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these
words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.
28 And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat
bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten
commandments.**
29 ¶ And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the two tables
of testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses wist not that
the skin of his face shone while he talked with him.
30 And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face
shone; and they were afraid to come nigh him.
31 And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned
unto him: and Moses talked with them.
32 And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh: and he gave them in command-
ment all that the LORD had spoken with him in mount Sinai.
33 And *till* Moses had done speaking with them, he put a vail on his face.
34 But when Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he took the vail off, until
he came out. And he came out, and spake unto the children of Israel *that* which he was
commanded.
35 And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone:
and Moses put the vail upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

35

1 And Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said unto
them, These *are* the words which the LORD hath commanded, that *ye* should do them.
2 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a
sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.*
3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.
4 ¶ And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the
thing which the LORD commanded, saying,
5 Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever *is* of a willing heart, let
him bring it, an offering of the LORD; gold, and silver, and brass,
6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*,
7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,
8 And oil for the light, and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense,
9 And onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.
10 And every wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath
commanded;
11 The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his
pillars, and his sockets,
12 The ark, and the staves thereof, *with* the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering,
13 The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the shewbread,
14 The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the
light,
15 And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and
the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle,
16 The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the
laver and his foot,
17 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the door
of the court,
18 The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

** **34:28** commandments: Heb. words * **35:2** an...: Heb. holiness

19 The cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place*, the holy garments for Aaron the
priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.
20 ¶ And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of
Moses.
21 And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit
made willing, *and* they brought the LORD's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the
congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.
22 And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, *and* brought
bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that
offered *offered* an offering of gold unto the LORD.
23 And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen,
and goats' *hair*, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought *them*.
24 Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the LORD's offering:
and every man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought
it.
25 And all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that
which they had spun, *both* of blue, and of purple, *and* of scarlet, and of fine linen.
26 And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' *hair*.
27 And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the
breastplate;
28 And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.
29 The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD, every man and
woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD
had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.
30 ¶ And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the LORD hath called by name
Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah;
31 And he hath filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in
knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;
32 And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,
33 And in the cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of wood, to make any manner
of cunning work.
34 And he hath put in his heart that he may teach, *both* he, and Aholiab, the son of
Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.
35 Them hath he filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of work, of the engraver,
and of the cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and
in fine linen, and of the weaver, *even* of them that do any work, and of those that devise
cunning work.

36

1 Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the LORD
put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service
of the sanctuary, according to all that the LORD had commanded.
2 And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whose heart
the LORD had put wisdom, *even* every one whose heart stirred him up to come unto the
work to do it:
3 And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought
for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it *withal.* And they brought yet unto
him free offerings every morning.
4 And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from
his work which they made;
5 ¶ And they spake unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the
service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make.
6 And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the
camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the
sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing.
7 For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.
8 ¶ And every wise hearted man among them that wrought the work of the tabernacle
made ten curtains *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* cherubims
of cunning work made he them.
9 The length of one curtain *was* twenty and eight cubits, and the breadth of one curtain
four cubits: the curtains *were* all of one size.

10 And he coupled the five curtains one unto another: and *the other* five curtains he
coupled one unto another.
11 And he made loops of blue on the edge of one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling:
likewise he made in the uttermost side of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.*
12 Fifty loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the edge of the curtain
which *was* in the coupling of the second: the loops held one *curtain* to another.
13 And he made fifty taches of gold, and coupled the curtains one unto another with the
taches: so it became one tabernacle.
14 ¶ And he made curtains *of* goats' *hair* for the tent over the tabernacle: eleven curtains
he made them.
15 The length of one curtain *was* thirty cubits, and four cubits *was* the breadth of one
curtain: the eleven curtains *were* of one size.
16 And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves.
17 And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain in the coupling, and
fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.
18 And he made fifty taches *of* brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one.
19 And he made a covering for the tent *of* rams' skins dyed red, and a covering *of* badgers'
skins above *that*.
20 ¶ And he made boards for the tabernacle *of* shittim wood, standing up.
21 The length of a board *was* ten cubits, and the breadth of a board one cubit and a half.
22 One board had two tenons, equally distant one from another: thus did he make for all
the boards of the tabernacle.
23 And he made boards for the tabernacle; twenty boards for the south side southward:
24 And forty sockets of silver he made under the twenty boards; two sockets under one
board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.
25 And for the other side of the tabernacle, *which is* toward the north corner, he made
twenty boards,
26 And their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under
another board.
27 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward he made six boards.
28 And two boards made he for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.
29 And they were coupled beneath, and coupled together at the head thereof, to one ring:
thus he did to both of them in both the corners.†
30 And there were eight boards; and their sockets *were* sixteen sockets of silver, under
every board two sockets.‡
31 ¶ And he made bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of the one side of the
tabernacle,
32 And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the
boards of the tabernacle for the sides westward.
33 And he made the middle bar to shoot through the boards from the one end to the other.
34 And he overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings *of* gold *to be* places for the
bars, and overlaid the bars with gold.
35 ¶ And he made a vail *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: *with*
cherubims made he it of cunning work.
36 And he made thereunto four pillars *of* shittim *wood*, and overlaid them with gold: their
hooks *were of* gold; and he cast for them four sockets of silver.
37 ¶ And he made an hanging for the tabernacle door *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet,
and fine twined linen, of needlework;§
38 And the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their chapiters and their
fillets with gold: but their five sockets *were of* brass.

37

1 And Bezaleel made the ark *of* shittim wood: two cubits and a half *was* the length of it,
and a cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it:
2 And he overlaid it with pure gold within and without, and made a crown of gold to it
round about.
3 And he cast for it four rings of gold, *to be set* by the four corners of it; even two rings
upon the one side of it, and two rings upon the other side of it.

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* **36:11** selvedge: an edge of cloth so woven that it cannot unravel † **36:29** coupled: Heb. twinned ‡ **36:30** under...: Heb. two sockets, two sockets under one board § **36:37** of needlework: Heb. the work of a needleworker or, embroiderer

4 And he made staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.
5 And he put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, to bear the ark.
6 ¶ And he made the mercy seat *of* pure gold: two cubits and a half *was* the length thereof,
and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.
7 And he made two cherubims *of* gold, beaten out of one piece made he them, on the two
ends of the mercy seat;*
8 One cherub on the end on this side, and another cherub on the *other* end on that side:
out of the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof.†‡
9 And the cherubims spread out *their* wings on high, *and* covered with their wings over
the mercy seat, with their faces one to another; *even* to the mercy seatward were the faces
of the cherubims.
10 ¶ And he made the table *of* shittim wood: two cubits *was* the length thereof, and a cubit
the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof:
11 And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a crown of gold round about.
12 Also he made thereunto a border of an handbreadth round about; and made a crown
of gold for the border thereof round about.
13 And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon the four corners that *were*
in the four feet thereof.
14 Over against the border were the rings, the places for the staves to bear the table.
15 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold, to bear the table.
16 And he made the vessels which *were* upon the table, his dishes, and his spoons, and his
bowls, and his covers to cover withal, *of* pure gold.§
17 ¶ And he made the candlestick *of* pure gold: *of* beaten work made he the candlestick;
his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, were of the same:
18 And six branches going out of the sides thereof; three branches of the candlestick out
of the one side thereof, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side thereof:
19 Three bowls made after the fashion of almonds in one branch, a knop and a flower;
and three bowls made like almonds in another branch, a knop and a flower: so throughout
the six branches going out of the candlestick.
20 And in the candlestick *were* four bowls made like almonds, his knops, and his flowers:
21 And a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the
same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out
of it.
22 Their knops and their branches were of the same: all of it *was* one beaten work *of* pure
gold.
23 And he made his seven lamps, and his snuffers, and his snuffdishes, *of* pure gold.
24 *Of* a talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels thereof.
25 ¶ And he made the incense altar *of* shittim wood: the length of it *was* a cubit, and
the breadth of it a cubit; *it was* foursquare; and two cubits *was* the height of it; the horns
thereof were of the same.
26 And he overlaid it with pure gold, *both* the top of it, and the sides thereof round about,
and the horns of it: also he made unto it a crown of gold round about.
27 And he made two rings of gold for it under the crown thereof, by the two corners of it,
upon the two sides thereof, to be places for the staves to bear it withal.
28 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.
29 ¶ And he made the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of sweet spices, according
to the work of the apothecary.

38

1 And he made the altar of burnt offering *of* shittim wood: five cubits *was* the length
thereof, and five cubits the breadth thereof; *it was* foursquare; and three cubits the height
thereof.
2 And he made the horns thereof on the four corners of it; the horns thereof were of the
same: and he overlaid it with brass.
3 And he made all the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the shovels, and the basons, *and*
the fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the vessels thereof made he *of* brass.
4 And he made for the altar a brasen grate of network under the compass thereof beneath
unto the midst of it.
5 And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grate of brass, *to be* places for the staves.

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* **37:7** on...: or, out of, etc † **37:8** on the end: or, out of, etc ‡ **37:8** on the other end: or, out of, etc § **37:16** to cover...: or, to pour out withal

6 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with brass.
7 And he put the staves into the rings on the sides of the altar, to bear it withal; he made the altar hollow with boards.
8 ¶ And he made the laver *of* brass, and the foot of it *of* brass, of the lookingglasses of *the women* assembling, which assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.*†
9 ¶ And he made the court: on the south side southward the hangings of the court *were of* fine twined linen, an hundred cubits:
10 Their pillars *were* twenty, and their brasen sockets twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *were of* silver.
11 And for the north side *the hangings were* an hundred cubits, their pillars *were* twenty, and their sockets of brass twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.
12 And for the west side *were* hangings of fifty cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.
13 And for the east side eastward fifty cubits.
14 The hangings of the one side *of the gate were* fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.
15 And for the other side of the court gate, on this hand and that hand, *were* hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.
16 All the hangings of the court round about *were* of fine twined linen.
17 And the sockets for the pillars *were of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver; and the overlaying of their chapiters *of* silver; and all the pillars of the court *were* filleted with silver.
18 And the hanging for the gate of the court *was* needlework, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty cubits *was* the length, and the height in the breadth *was* five cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court.
19 And their pillars *were* four, and their sockets *of* brass four; their hooks *of* silver, and the overlaying of their chapiters and their fillets *of* silver.
20 And all the pins of the tabernacle, and of the court round about, *were of* brass.
21 ¶ This is the sum of the tabernacle, *even* of the tabernacle of testimony, as it was counted, according to the commandment of Moses, *for* the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, son to Aaron the priest.
22 And Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that the LORD commanded Moses.
23 And with him *was* Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, and a cunning workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.
24 All the gold that was occupied for the work in all the work of the holy *place*, even the gold of the offering, was twenty and nine talents, and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary.
25 And the silver of them that were numbered of the congregation *was* an hundred talents, and a thousand seven hundred and threescore and fifteen shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary:
26 A bekah for every man, *that is*, half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for every one that went to be numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty *men*.‡
27 And of the hundred talents of silver were cast the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of the vail; an hundred sockets of the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.
28 And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five *shekels* he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters, and filleted them.
29 And the brass of the offering *was* seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels.
30 And therewith he made the sockets to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the brasen altar, and the brasen grate for it, and all the vessels of the altar,
31 And the sockets of the court round about, and the sockets of the court gate, and all the pins of the tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

39

1 And of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they made cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place*, and made the holy garments for Aaron; as the LORD commanded Moses.

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* **38:8** lookingglasses: or, brasen glasses † **38:8** assembling: Heb. assembling by troops ‡ **38:26** every man: Heb. a poll

2 And he made the ephod *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.
3 And they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut *it into* wires, to work *it* in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in the fine linen, *with* cunning work.
4 They made shoulderpieces for it, to couple *it* together: by the two edges was it coupled together.
5 And the curious girdle of his ephod, that *was* upon it, *was* of the same, according to the work thereof; *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen; as the LORD commanded Moses.
6 ¶ And they wrought onyx stones inclosed in ouches of gold, graven, as signets are graven, with the names of the children of Israel.
7 And he put them on the shoulders of the ephod, *that they should be* stones for a memorial to the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses.
8 ¶ And he made the breastplate *of* cunning work, like the work of the ephod; *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.
9 It was foursquare; they made the breastplate double: a span *was* the length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof, *being* doubled.
10 And they set in it four rows of stones: *the first* row *was* a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this *was* the first row.*
11 And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.
12 And the third row, a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.
13 And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: *they were* inclosed in ouches of gold in their inclosings.
14 And the stones *were* according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, *like* the engravings of a signet, every one with his name, according to the twelve tribes.
15 And they made upon the breastplate chains at the ends, *of* wreathen work *of* pure gold.
16 And they made two ouches *of* gold, and two gold rings; and put the two rings in the two ends of the breastplate.
17 And they put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings on the ends of the breastplate.
18 And the two ends of the two wreathen chains they fastened in the two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod, before it.
19 And they made two rings of gold, and put *them* on the two ends of the breastplate, upon the border of it, which *was* on the side of the ephod inward.
20 And they made two *other* golden rings, and put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart of it, over against the *other* coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.
21 And they did bind the breastplate by his rings unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not be loosed from the ephod; as the LORD commanded Moses.
22 ¶ And he made the robe of the ephod *of* woven work, all *of* blue.
23 And *there was* an hole in the midst of the robe, as the hole of an habergeon, *with* a band round about the hole, that it should not rend.
24 And they made upon the hems of the robe pomegranates *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, *and* twined *linen*.
25 And they made bells *of* pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round about between the pomegranates;
26 A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, round about the hem of the robe to minister *in;* as the LORD commanded Moses.
27 ¶ And they made coats *of* fine linen *of* woven work for Aaron, and for his sons,
28 And a mitre *of* fine linen, and goodly bonnets *of* fine linen, and linen breeches *of* fine twined linen,
29 And a girdle *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, *of* needlework; as the LORD commanded Moses.
30 ¶ And they made the plate of the holy crown *of* pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing, *like to* the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.
31 And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten *it* on high upon the mitre; as the LORD commanded Moses.
32 ¶ Thus was all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation finished: and the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.

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* **39:10** sardius: or, ruby

33 ¶ And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the tent, and all his furniture, his
taches, his boards, his bars, and his pillars, and his sockets,
34 And the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of badgers' skins, and the
vail of the covering,
35 The ark of the testimony, and the staves thereof, and the mercy seat,
36 The table, *and* all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread,
37 The pure candlestick, *with* the lamps thereof, *even with* the lamps to be set in order,
and all the vessels thereof, and the oil for light,
38 And the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for
the tabernacle door,†
39 The brasen altar, and his grate of brass, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his
foot,
40 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and his sockets, and the hanging for the court
gate, his cords, and his pins, and all the vessels of the service of the tabernacle, for the tent
of the congregation,
41 The cloths of service to do service in the holy *place*, and the holy garments for Aaron
the priest, and his sons' garments, to minister in the priest's office.
42 According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel made all
the work.
43 And Moses did look upon all the work, and, behold, they had done it as the LORD had
commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses blessed them.

40

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 On the first day of the first month shalt thou set up the tabernacle of the tent of the
congregation.
3 And thou shalt put therein the ark of the testimony, and cover the ark with the vail.
4 And thou shalt bring in the table, and set in order the things that are to be set in order
upon it; and thou shalt bring in the candlestick, and light the lamps thereof.*
5 And thou shalt set the altar of gold for the incense before the ark of the testimony, and
put the hanging of the door to the tabernacle.
6 And thou shalt set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of
the tent of the congregation.
7 And thou shalt set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and shalt
put water therein.
8 And thou shalt set up the court round about, and hang up the hanging at the court gate.
9 And thou shalt take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle, and all that *is* therein,
and shalt hallow it, and all the vessels thereof: and it shall be holy.
10 And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all his vessels, and sanctify
the altar: and it shall be an altar most holy.†
11 And thou shalt anoint the laver and his foot, and sanctify it.
12 And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the tabernacle of the
congregation, and wash them with water.
13 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him, and sanctify him;
that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.
14 And thou shalt bring his sons, and clothe them with coats:
15 And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their father, that they may minister
unto me in the priest's office: for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood
throughout their generations.
16 Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he.
17 ¶ And it came to pass in the first month in the second year, on the first *day* of the month,
that the tabernacle was reared up.
18 And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and fastened his sockets, and set up the boards
thereof, and put in the bars thereof, and reared up his pillars.
19 And he spread abroad the tent over the tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent
above upon it; as the LORD commanded Moses.
20 ¶ And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put
the mercy seat above upon the ark:

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† **39:38** the sweet...: Heb. the incense of sweet spices * **40:4** the things...: Heb. the order thereof † **40:10** most holy: Heb. holiness of holinesses

21 And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the vail of the covering, and
covered the ark of the testimony; as the LORD commanded Moses.
22 ¶ And he put the table in the tent of the congregation, upon the side of the tabernacle
northward, without the vail.
23 And he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD; as the LORD had commanded
Moses.
24 ¶ And he put the candlestick in the tent of the congregation, over against the table, on
the side of the tabernacle southward.
25 And he lighted the lamps before the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.
26 ¶ And he put the golden altar in the tent of the congregation before the vail:
27 And he burnt sweet incense thereon; as the LORD commanded Moses.
28 ¶ And he set up the hanging *at* the door of the tabernacle.
29 And he put the altar of burnt offering *by* the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the
congregation, and offered upon it the burnt offering and the meat offering; as the LORD
commanded Moses.
30 ¶ And he set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and put water
there, to wash *withal*.
31 And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat:
32 When they went into the tent of the congregation, and when they came near unto the
altar, they washed; as the LORD commanded Moses.
33 And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the
hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the work.
34 ¶ Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled
the tabernacle.
35 And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud
abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.
36 And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went
onward in all their journeys:‡
37 But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken
up.
38 For the cloud of the LORD *was* upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night,
in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

‡ **40:36** went onward: Heb. journeyed

The Third Book of Moses, called Leviticus

1 And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the
congregation, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering
unto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, *even* of the herd, and of the flock.
3 If his offering *be* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish: he
shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation
before the LORD.
4 And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering; and it shall be accepted
for him to make atonement for him.
5 And he shall kill the bullock before the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring
the blood, and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that *is by* the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation.
6 And he shall flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces.
7 And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay the wood in order
upon the fire:
8 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat, in order upon
the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:
9 But his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on the
altar, *to be* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
10 ¶ And if his offering *be* of the flocks, *namely*, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a burnt
sacrifice; he shall bring it a male without blemish.
11 And he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before the LORD: and the priests,
Aaron's sons, shall sprinkle his blood round about upon the altar.
12 And he shall cut it into his pieces, with his head and his fat: and the priest shall lay
them in order on the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:
13 But he shall wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the priest shall bring *it* all,
and burn *it* upon the altar: it *is* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour
unto the LORD.
14 ¶ And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD *be* of fowls, then he shall bring
his offering of turtledoves, or of young pigeons.
15 And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and wring off his head, and burn *it* on the
altar; and the blood thereof shall be wrung out at the side of the altar:*
16 And he shall pluck away his crop with his feathers, and cast it beside the altar on the
east part, by the place of the ashes:†
17 And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof, *but* shall not divide *it* asunder: and the
priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that *is* upon the fire: it *is* a burnt sacrifice,
an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

2

1 And when any will offer a meat offering unto the LORD, his offering shall be *of* fine
flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon:
2 And he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests: and he shall take thereout his handful
of the flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof; and the priest
shall burn the memorial of it upon the altar, *to be* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour
unto the LORD:
3 And the remnant of the meat offering *shall be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing most
holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.
4 ¶ And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering baken in the oven, *it shall be*
unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil.
5 ¶ And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken* in a pan, it shall be *of* fine flour
unleavened, mingled with oil.*
6 Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: it *is* a meat offering.
7 ¶ And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken* in the fryingpan, it shall be made *of* fine
flour with oil.

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* **1:15** wring...: or, pinch off the head with the nail † **1:16** his feathers: or, the filth thereof * **2:5** in a pan: or, on a flat plate, or, slice

8 And thou shalt bring the meat offering that is made of these things unto the LORD: and
when it is presented unto the priest, he shall bring it unto the altar.
9 And the priest shall take from the meat offering a memorial thereof, and shall burn *it*
upon the altar: *it is* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
10 And that which is left of the meat offering *shall be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing
most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.
11 No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto the LORD, shall be made with leaven: for
ye shall burn no leaven, nor any honey, in any offering of the LORD made by fire.
12 ¶ As for the oblation of the firstfruits, ye shall offer them unto the LORD: but they shall
not be burnt on the altar for a sweet savour.†
13 And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou
suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thine
offerings thou shalt offer salt.
14 And if thou offer a meat offering of thy firstfruits unto the LORD, thou shalt offer for
the meat offering of thy firstfruits green ears of corn dried by the fire, *even* corn beaten out
of full ears.
15 And thou shalt put oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it *is* a meat offering.
16 And the priest shall burn the memorial of it, *part* of the beaten corn thereof, and *part*
of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: *it is* an offering made by fire unto the
LORD.

3

1 And if his oblation *be* a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer *it* of the herd; whether *it*
be a male or female, he shall offer it without blemish before the LORD.
2 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it *at* the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon
the altar round about.
3 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the
LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,*
4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul
above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.†
5 And Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice, which *is* upon the
wood that *is* on the fire: *it is* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
6 ¶ And if his offering for a sacrifice of peace offering unto the LORD *be* of the flock; male
or female, he shall offer it without blemish.
7 If he offer a lamb for his offering, then shall he offer it before the LORD.
8 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it before the tabernacle
of the congregation: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof round about upon
the altar.
9 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the
LORD; the fat thereof, *and* the whole rump, it shall he take off hard by the backbone; and
the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,
10 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul
above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.
11 And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire
unto the LORD.
12 ¶ And if his offering *be* a goat, then he shall offer it before the LORD.
13 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the tabernacle of the
congregation: and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round
about.
14 And he shall offer thereof his offering, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD;
the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,
15 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul
above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.
16 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire
for a sweet savour: all the fat *is* the LORD's.
17 *It shall be* a perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that
ye eat neither fat nor blood.

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† **2:12** be burnt: Heb. ascend * **3:3** fat: or, suet † **3:4** caul...: or, midriff over the liver, and over the kidneys

4

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a soul shall sin through ignorance against
any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which ought not to be done, and
shall do against any of them:
3 If the priest that is anointed do sin according to the sin of the people; then let him bring
for his sin, which he hath sinned, a young bullock without blemish unto the LORD for a sin
offering.
4 And he shall bring the bullock unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation
before the LORD; and shall lay his hand upon the bullock's head, and kill the bullock before
the LORD.
5 And the priest that is anointed shall take of the bullock's blood, and bring it to the
tabernacle of the congregation:
6 And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times
before the LORD, before the vail of the sanctuary.
7 And the priest shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar of sweet incense
before the LORD, which *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation; and shall pour all the
blood of the bullock at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the door of
the tabernacle of the congregation.
8 And he shall take off from it all the fat of the bullock for the sin offering; the fat that
covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,
9 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul
above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away,
10 As it was taken off from the bullock of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest
shall burn them upon the altar of the burnt offering.
11 And the skin of the bullock, and all his flesh, with his head, and with his legs, and his
inwards, and his dung,
12 Even the whole bullock shall he carry forth without the camp unto a clean place, where
the ashes are poured out, and burn him on the wood with fire: where the ashes are poured
out shall he be burnt.*†
13 ¶ And if the whole congregation of Israel sin through ignorance, and the thing be
hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done *somewhat against* any of the
commandments of the LORD *concerning thing*s which should not be done, and are guilty;
14 When the sin, which they have sinned against it, is known, then the congregation shall
offer a young bullock for the sin, and bring him before the tabernacle of the congregation.
15 And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock
before the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before the LORD.
16 And the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the tabernacle of
the congregation:
17 And the priest shall dip his finger *in some* of the blood, and sprinkle *it* seven times
before the LORD, *even* before the vail.
18 And he shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar which *is* before the
LORD, that *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall pour out all the blood at
the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the door of the tabernacle of the
congregation.
19 And he shall take all his fat from him, and burn *it* upon the altar.
20 And he shall do with the bullock as he did with the bullock for a sin offering, so shall
he do with this: and the priest shall make an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven
them.
21 And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn him as he burned the
first bullock: it *is* a sin offering for the congregation.
22 ¶ When a ruler hath sinned, and done *somewhat* through ignorance *against* any of the
commandments of the LORD his God *concerning thing*s which should not be done, and is
guilty;
23 Or if his sin, wherein he hath sinned, come to his knowledge; he shall bring his offering,
a kid of the goats, a male without blemish:
24 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they
kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it *is* a sin offering.

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* **4:12** without...: Heb. to without the camp † **4:12** where...: Heb. at the pouring out of the ashes

25 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put *it* upon
the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the
altar of burnt offering.
26 And he shall burn all his fat upon the altar, as the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings:
and the priest shall make an atonement for him as concerning his sin, and it shall be
forgiven him.
27 ¶ And if any one of the common people sin through ignorance, while he doeth
somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning thing*s which ought
not to be done, and be guilty;‡§
28 Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his
offering, a kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for his sin which he hath sinned.
29 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay the sin offering in
the place of the burnt offering.
30 And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns
of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the
altar.
31 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice
of peace offerings; and the priest shall burn *it* upon the altar for a sweet savour unto the
LORD; and the priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.
32 And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.
33 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay it for a sin offering
in the place where they kill the burnt offering.
34 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put *it*
upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at
the bottom of the altar:
35 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the
sacrifice of the peace offerings; and the priest shall burn them upon the altar, according to
the offerings made by fire unto the LORD: and the priest shall make an atonement for his
sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

5

1 And if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and *is* a witness, whether he hath seen
or known *of it;* if he do not utter *it*, then he shall bear his iniquity.
2 Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether *it be* a carcase of an unclean beast, or
a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and *if* it be hidden
from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty.
3 Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness *it be* that a man shall
be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty.
4 Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with *his* lips to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever *it be*
that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*,
then he shall be guilty in one of these.
5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these *thing*s, that he shall confess that
he hath sinned in that *thing:*
6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD for his sin which he hath sinned,
a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats, for a sin offering; and the priest shall
make an atonement for him concerning his sin.
7 And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his trespass, which he hath
committed, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering,
and the other for a burnt offering.*
8 And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer *that* which *is* for the sin offering
first, and wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide *it* asunder:
9 And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the
rest of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: it *is* a sin offering.
10 And he shall offer the second *for* a burnt offering, according to the manner: and the
priest shall make an atonement for him for his sin which he hath sinned, and it shall be
forgiven him.†
11 ¶ But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, then he that
sinned shall bring for his offering the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin offering;

‡ **4:27** any one: Heb. any soul § **4:27** common...: Heb. people of the land * **5:7** he be...: Heb. his hand cannot reach to the sufficiency of a lamb † **5:10** manner: or, ordinance

he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put *any* frankincense thereon: for it *is* a sin
offering.
12 Then shall he bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it, *even* a
memorial thereof, and burn *it* on the altar, according to the offerings made by fire unto the
LORD: it *is* a sin offering.
13 And the priest shall make an atonement for him as touching his sin that he hath sinned
in one of these, and it shall be forgiven him: and *the remnant* shall be the priest's, as a meat
offering.
14 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
15 If a soul commit a trespass, and sin through ignorance, in the holy things of the LORD;
then he shall bring for his trespass unto the LORD a ram without blemish out of the flocks,
with thy estimation by shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass
offering:
16 And he shall make amends for the harm that he hath done in the holy thing, and
shall add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the priest: and the priest shall make an
atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.
17 ¶ And if a soul sin, and commit any of these things which are forbidden to be done by
the commandments of the LORD; though he wist *it* not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his
iniquity.
18 And he shall bring a ram without blemish out of the flock, with thy estimation, for
a trespass offering, unto the priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him
concerning his ignorance wherein he erred and wist *it* not, and it shall be forgiven him.
19 It *is* a trespass offering: he hath certainly trespassed against the LORD.

6

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 If a soul sin, and commit a trespass against the LORD, and lie unto his neighbour in that
which was delivered him to keep, or in fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence, or
hath deceived his neighbour;*†
3 Or have found that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and sweareth falsely; in any
of all these that a man doeth, sinning therein:
4 Then it shall be, because he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which
he took violently away, or the thing which he hath deceitfully gotten, or that which was
delivered him to keep, or the lost thing which he found,
5 Or all that about which he hath sworn falsely; he shall even restore it in the principal,
and shall add the fifth part more thereto, *and* give it unto him to whom it appertaineth, in
the day of his trespass offering.‡
6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, a ram without blemish out of
the flock, with thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest:
7 And the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD: and it shall be
forgiven him for any thing of all that he hath done in trespassing therein.
8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
9 Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the burnt offering: It *is* the
burnt offering, because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the
fire of the altar shall be burning in it.§
10 And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon
his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on
the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar.
11 And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes
without the camp unto a clean place.
12 And the fire upon the altar shall be burning in it; it shall not be put out: and the priest
shall burn wood on it every morning, and lay the burnt offering in order upon it; and he
shall burn thereon the fat of the peace offerings.
13 The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out.
14 ¶ And this *is* the law of the meat offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before the
LORD, before the altar.
15 And he shall take of it his handful, of the flour of the meat offering, and of the oil
thereof, and all the frankincense which *is* upon the meat offering, and shall burn *it* upon
the altar *for* a sweet savour, *even* the memorial of it, unto the LORD.

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* **6:2** in fellowship: or, in dealing † **6:2** fellowship: Heb. putting of the hand ‡ **6:5** in the day...: or, in the day of his being found guilty: Heb. in the day of his trespass § **6:9** because...: or, for the burning

16 And the remainder thereof shall Aaron and his sons eat: with unleavened bread shall
it be eaten in the holy place; in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation they shall
eat it.
17 It shall not be baken with leaven. I have given it *unto them for* their portion of my
offerings made by fire; it *is* most holy, as *is* the sin offering, and as the trespass offering.
18 All the males among the children of Aaron shall eat of it. *It shall be* a statute for ever
in your generations concerning the offerings of the LORD made by fire: every one that
toucheth them shall be holy.
19 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
20 This *is* the offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer unto the LORD in
the day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a meat offering
perpetual, half of it in the morning, and half thereof at night.
21 In a pan it shall be made with oil; *and when it is* baken, thou shalt bring it in: *and* the
baken pieces of the meat offering shalt thou offer *for* a sweet savour unto the LORD.
22 And the priest of his sons that is anointed in his stead shall offer it: *it is* a statute for
ever unto the LORD; it shall be wholly burnt.
23 For every meat offering for the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.
24 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
25 Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the sin offering: In the place
where the burnt offering is killed shall the sin offering be killed before the LORD: it *is* most
holy.
26 The priest that offereth it for sin shall eat it: in the holy place shall it be eaten, in the
court of the tabernacle of the congregation.
27 Whatsoever shall touch the flesh thereof shall be holy: and when there is sprinkled of
the blood thereof upon any garment, thou shalt wash that whereon it was sprinkled in the
holy place.
28 But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall be broken: and if it be sodden in a
brasen pot, it shall be both scoured, and rinsed in water.
29 All the males among the priests shall eat thereof: it *is* most holy.
30 And no sin offering, whereof *any* of the blood is brought into the tabernacle of the
congregation to reconcile *withal* in the holy *place*, shall be eaten: it shall be burnt in the
fire.

7

1 Likewise this *is* the law of the trespass offering: it *is* most holy.
2 In the place where they kill the burnt offering shall they kill the trespass offering: and
the blood thereof shall he sprinkle round about upon the altar.
3 And he shall offer of it all the fat thereof; the rump, and the fat that covereth the
inwards,
4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul
that is above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away:
5 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar *for* an offering made by fire unto the
LORD: it *is* a trespass offering.
6 Every male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten in the holy place: it *is*
most holy.
7 As the sin offering *is*, so *is* the trespass offering: *there is* one law for them: the priest
that maketh atonement therewith shall have *it*.
8 And the priest that offereth any man's burnt offering, *even* the priest shall have to
himself the skin of the burnt offering which he hath offered.
9 And all the meat offering that is baken in the oven, and all that is dressed in the
fryingpan, and in the pan, shall be the priest's that offereth it.*
10 And every meat offering, mingled with oil, and dry, shall all the sons of Aaron have,
one *as much* as another.
11 And this *is* the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which he shall offer unto the
LORD.
12 If he offer it for a thanksgiving, then he shall offer with the sacrifice of thanksgiving
unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes
mingled with oil, of fine flour, fried.
13 Besides the cakes, he shall offer *for* his offering leavened bread with the sacrifice of
thanksgiving of his peace offerings.

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* **7:9** in the pan: or, on the flat plate or, slice

14 And of it he shall offer one out of the whole oblation *for* an heave offering unto the
LORD, *and* it shall be the priest's that sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings.
15 And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten the
same day that it is offered; he shall not leave any of it until the morning.
16 But if the sacrifice of his offering *be* a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the
same day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall
be eaten:
17 But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire.
18 And if *any* of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third
day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him that offereth it: it shall be
an abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his iniquity.
19 And the flesh that toucheth any unclean *thing* shall not be eaten; it shall be burnt with
fire: and as for the flesh, all that be clean shall eat thereof.
20 But the soul that eateth *of* the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, that *pertain* unto
the LORD, having his uncleanness upon him, even that soul shall be cut off from his people.
21 Moreover the soul that shall touch any unclean *thing, as* the uncleanness of man, or
any unclean beast, or any abominable unclean *thing*, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice
of peace offerings, which *pertain* unto the LORD, even that soul shall be cut off from his
people.
22 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
23 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Ye shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or of
sheep, or of goat.
24 And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts,
may be used in any other use: but ye shall in no wise eat of it.†
25 For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire
unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth *it* shall be cut off from his people.
26 Moreover ye shall eat no manner of blood, *whether it be* of fowl or of beast, in any of
your dwellings.
27 Whatsoever soul *it be* that eateth any manner of blood, even that soul shall be cut off
from his people.
28 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
29 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, He that offereth the sacrifice of his peace
offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace
offerings.
30 His own hands shall bring the offerings of the LORD made by fire, the fat with the
breast, it shall he bring, that the breast may be waved *for* a wave offering before the LORD.
31 And the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar: but the breast shall be Aaron's and his
sons'.
32 And the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest *for* an heave offering of the
sacrifices of your peace offerings.
33 He among the sons of Aaron, that offereth the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat,
shall have the right shoulder for *his* part.
34 For the wave breast and the heave shoulder have I taken of the children of Israel from
off the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and
unto his sons by a statute for ever from among the children of Israel.
35 ¶ This *is the portion* of the anointing of Aaron, and of the anointing of his sons, out of
the offerings of the LORD made by fire, in the day *when* he presented them to minister unto
the LORD in the priest's office;
36 Which the LORD commanded to be given them of the children of Israel, in the day that
he anointed them, *by* a statute for ever throughout their generations.
37 This *is* the law of the burnt offering, of the meat offering, and of the sin offering, and of
the trespass offering, and of the consecrations, and of the sacrifice of the peace offerings;
38 Which the LORD commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded
the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai.

8

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the garments, and the anointing oil, and a
bullock for the sin offering, and two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread;
3 And gather thou all the congregation together unto the door of the tabernacle of the
congregation.

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† **7:24** beast...: Heb. carcase

4 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was gathered together
unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
5 And Moses said unto the congregation, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded
to be done.
6 And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water.
7 And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with the girdle, and clothed him with the
robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with the curious girdle of the ephod,
and bound *it* unto him therewith.
8 And he put the breastplate upon him: also he put in the breastplate the Urim and the
Thummim.
9 And he put the mitre upon his head; also upon the mitre, *even* upon his forefront, did
he put the golden plate, the holy crown; as the LORD commanded Moses.
10 And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that *was* therein,
and sanctified them.
11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all his
vessels, both the laver and his foot, to sanctify them.
12 And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify
him.
13 And Moses brought Aaron's sons, and put coats upon them, and girded them with
girdles, and put bonnets upon them; as the LORD commanded Moses.*
14 And he brought the bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands
upon the head of the bullock for the sin offering.
15 And he slew *it;* and Moses took the blood, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round
about with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar,
and sanctified it, to make reconciliation upon it.
16 And he took all the fat that *was* upon the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the
two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned *it* upon the altar.
17 But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he burnt with fire without the
camp; as the LORD commanded Moses.
18 ¶ And he brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their
hands upon the head of the ram.
19 And he killed *it;* and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.
20 And he cut the ram into pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat.
21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt the whole ram
upon the altar: it *was* a burnt sacrifice for a sweet savour, *and* an offering made by fire
unto the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.
22 ¶ And he brought the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid
their hands upon the head of the ram.
23 And he slew *it;* and Moses took of the blood of it, and put *it* upon the tip of Aaron's right
ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot.
24 And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right
ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet:
and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.
25 And he took the fat, and the rump, and all the fat that *was* upon the inwards, and the
caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right shoulder:
26 And out of the basket of unleavened bread, that *was* before the LORD, he took one
unleavened cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and put *them* on the fat, and
upon the right shoulder:
27 And he put all upon Aaron's hands, and upon his sons' hands, and waved them *for* a
wave offering before the LORD.
28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt *them* on the altar upon the burnt
offering: they *were* consecrations for a sweet savour: it *is* an offering made by fire unto the
LORD.
29 And Moses took the breast, and waved it *for* a wave offering before the LORD: *for* of
the ram of consecration it was Moses' part; as the LORD commanded Moses.
30 And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which *was* upon the altar, and
sprinkled *it* upon Aaron, *and* upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons'
garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, *and* his garments, and his sons, and his sons'
garments with him.

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* **8:13** put bonnets: Heb. bound bonnets

31 ¶ And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, Boil the flesh *at* the door of the tabernacle
of the congregation: and there eat it with the bread that *is* in the basket of consecrations,
as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it.
32 And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye burn with fire.
33 And ye shall not go out of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation *in* seven days,
until the days of your consecration be at an end: for seven days shall he consecrate you.
34 As he hath done this day, *so* the LORD hath commanded to do, to make an atonement
for you.
35 Therefore shall ye abide *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation day and night
seven days, and keep the charge of the LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded.
36 So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

9

1 And it came to pass on the eighth day, *that* Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the
elders of Israel;
2 And he said unto Aaron, Take thee a young calf for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt
offering, without blemish, and offer *them* before the LORD.
3 And unto the children of Israel thou shalt speak, saying, Take ye a kid of the goats for
a sin offering; and a calf and a lamb, *both* of the first year, without blemish, for a burnt
offering;
4 Also a bullock and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD; and a meat
offering mingled with oil: for to day the LORD will appear unto you.
5 ¶ And they brought *that* which Moses commanded before the tabernacle of the
congregation: and all the congregation drew near and stood before the LORD.
6 And Moses said, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded that ye should do: and
the glory of the LORD shall appear unto you.
7 And Moses said unto Aaron, Go unto the altar, and offer thy sin offering, and thy burnt
offering, and make an atonement for thyself, and for the people: and offer the offering of
the people, and make an atonement for them; as the LORD commanded.
8 ¶ Aaron therefore went unto the altar, and slew the calf of the sin offering, which *was*
for himself.
9 And the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him: and he dipped his finger in the
blood, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the bottom of the
altar:
10 But the fat, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver of the sin offering, he burnt
upon the altar; as the LORD commanded Moses.
11 And the flesh and the hide he burnt with fire without the camp.
12 And he slew the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, which
he sprinkled round about upon the altar.
13 And they presented the burnt offering unto him, with the pieces thereof, and the head:
and he burnt *them* upon the altar.
14 And he did wash the inwards and the legs, and burnt *them* upon the burnt offering on
the altar.
15 ¶ And he brought the people's offering, and took the goat, which *was* the sin offering
for the people, and slew it, and offered it for sin, as the first.
16 And he brought the burnt offering, and offered it according to the manner.*
17 And he brought the meat offering, and took an handful thereof, and burnt *it* upon the
altar, beside the burnt sacrifice of the morning.†
18 He slew also the bullock and the ram *for* a sacrifice of peace offerings, which *was* for
the people: and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the
altar round about,
19 And the fat of the bullock and of the ram, the rump, and that which covereth *the
inwards*, and the kidneys, and the caul *above* the liver:
20 And they put the fat upon the breasts, and he burnt the fat upon the altar:
21 And the breasts and the right shoulder Aaron waved *for* a wave offering before the
LORD; as Moses commanded.
22 And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people, and blessed them, and came down
from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.
23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and
blessed the people: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the people.

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* **9:16** manner: or, ordinance † **9:17** took...: Heb. filled his hand out of it

24 And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the
burnt offering and the fat: *which* when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their
faces.

10

1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire
therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he
commanded them not.
2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the
LORD.
3 Then Moses said unto Aaron, This *is it* that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified
in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held
his peace.
4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said
unto them, Come near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp.
5 So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said.
6 And Moses said unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, Uncover not
your heads, neither rend your clothes; lest ye die, and lest wrath come upon all the people:
but let your brethren, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which the LORD hath
kindled.
7 And ye shall not go out from the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die:
for the anointing oil of the LORD *is* upon you. And they did according to the word of Moses.
8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying,
9 Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the
tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your
generations:
10 And that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and
clean;
11 And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath
spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.
12 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were
left, Take the meat offering that remaineth of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and
eat it without leaven beside the altar: for it *is* most holy:
13 And ye shall eat it in the holy place, because it *is* thy due, and thy sons' due, of the
sacrifices of the LORD made by fire: for so I am commanded.
14 And the wave breast and heave shoulder shall ye eat in a clean place; thou, and thy
sons, and thy daughters with thee: for *they be* thy due, and thy sons' due, *which* are given
out of the sacrifices of peace offerings of the children of Israel.
15 The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by
fire of the fat, to wave *it for* a wave offering before the LORD; and it shall be thine, and thy
sons' with thee, by a statute for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.
16 ¶ And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was burnt:
and he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron *which were* left *alive*, saying,
17 Wherefore have ye not eaten the sin offering in the holy place, seeing it *is* most holy,
and *God* hath given it you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for
them before the LORD?
18 Behold, the blood of it was not brought in within the holy *place:* ye should indeed have
eaten it in the holy *place*, as I commanded.
19 And Aaron said unto Moses, Behold, this day have they offered their sin offering and
their burnt offering before the LORD; and such things have befallen me: and *if* I had eaten
the sin offering to day, should it have been accepted in the sight of the LORD?
20 And when Moses heard *that*, he was content.

11

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat among
all the beasts that *are* on the earth.
3 Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, *and* cheweth the cud, among the
beasts, that shall ye eat.
4 Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the
hoof: *as* the camel, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean
unto you.

5 And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean
unto you.
6 And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto
you.
7 And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the
cud; he *is* unclean to you.
8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they *are* unclean to
you.
9 ¶ These shall ye eat of all that *are* in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the
waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.
10 And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the
waters, and of any living thing which *is* in the waters, they *shall be* an abomination unto
you:
11 They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall
have their carcases in abomination.
12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that *shall be* an abomination unto
you.
13 ¶ And these *are they which* ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall
not be eaten, they *are* an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,
14 And the vulture, and the kite after his kind;
15 Every raven after his kind;
16 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,
17 And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl,
18 And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,
19 And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.
20 All fowls that creep, going upon *all* four, *shall be* an abomination unto you.
21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon *all* four, which have
legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;
22 *Even* these of them ye may eat; the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his
kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.
23 But all *other* flying creeping things, which have four feet, *shall be* an abomination unto
you.
24 And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be
unclean until the even.
25 And whosoever beareth *ought* of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be
unclean until the even.
26 *The carcases* of every beast which divideth the hoof, and *is* not clovenfooted, nor
cheweth the cud, *are* unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.
27 And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts that go on *all* four,
those *are* unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even.
28 And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until
the even: they *are* unclean unto you.
29 ¶ These also *shall be* unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the
earth; the weasel, and the mouse, and the tortoise after his kind,
30 And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.
31 These *are* unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they
be dead, shall be unclean until the even.
32 And upon whatsoever *any* of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean;
whether *it be* any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel *it be*,
wherein *any* work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even;
so it shall be cleansed.
33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto *any* of them falleth, whatsoever *is* in it shall be
unclean; and ye shall break it.
34 Of all meat which may be eaten, *that* on which *such* water cometh shall be unclean:
and all drink that may be drunk in every *such* vessel shall be unclean.
35 And every *thing* whereupon *any part* of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; *whether
it be* oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: *for* they *are* unclean, and shall be
unclean unto you.
36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, *wherein there is* plenty of water, shall be clean: but that
which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.*

* **11:36** wherein...: Heb. a gathering together of waters

37 And if *any part* of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it *shall be* clean.
38 But if *any* water be put upon the seed, and *any part* of their carcase fall thereon, it *shall be* unclean unto you.
39 And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.
40 And he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.
41 And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth *shall be* an abomination; it shall not be eaten.
42 Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon *all* four, or whatsoever hath more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they *are* an abomination.†
43 Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.‡
44 For I *am* the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I *am* holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.
45 For I *am* the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy.
46 This *is* the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:
47 To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.

12

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.
3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.
4 And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.
5 But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days.
6 And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:*
7 Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This *is* the law for her that hath born a male or a female.
8 And if she be not able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean.†

13

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying,
2 When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh *like* the plague of leprosy; then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests:*
3 And the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of the flesh: and *when* the hair in the plague is turned white, and the plague in sight *be* deeper than the skin of his flesh, it *is* a plague of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him unclean.
4 If the bright spot *be* white in the skin of his flesh, and in sight *be* not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned white; then the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the plague seven days:

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† **11:42** hath...: Heb. doth multiply feet ‡ **11:43** yourselves abominable: Heb. your souls, etc * **12:6** of the first...: Heb. a son of his year † **12:8** she be...: Heb. her hand find not sufficiency of * **13:2** rising: or, swelling

5 And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold, *if* the plague in his sight
be at a stay, *and* the plague spread not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven
days more:
6 And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and, behold, *if* the plague *be*
somewhat dark, *and* the plague spread not in the skin, the priest shall pronounce him
clean: it *is but* a scab: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.
7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin, after that he hath been seen of the priest
for his cleansing, he shall be seen of the priest again:
8 And *if* the priest see that, behold, the scab spreadeth in the skin, then the priest shall
pronounce him unclean: it *is* a leprosy.
9 ¶ When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest;
10 And the priest shall see *him:* and, behold, *if* the rising *be* white in the skin, and it have
turned the hair white, and *there be* quick raw flesh in the rising;†
11 It *is* an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean,
and shall not shut him up: for he *is* unclean.
12 And if a leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy cover all the skin of *him*
that hath the plague from his head even to his foot, wheresoever the priest looketh;
13 Then the priest shall consider: and, behold, *if* the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he
shall pronounce *him* clean *that hath* the plague: it is all turned white: he *is* clean.
14 But when raw flesh appeareth in him, he shall be unclean.
15 And the priest shall see the raw flesh, and pronounce him to be unclean: *for* the raw
flesh *is* unclean: it *is* a leprosy.
16 Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, he shall come unto the priest;
17 And the priest shall see him: and, behold, *if* the plague be turned into white; then the
priest shall pronounce *him* clean *that hath* the plague: he *is* clean.
18 ¶ The flesh also, in which, *even* in the skin thereof, was a boil, and is healed,
19 And in the place of the boil there be a white rising, or a bright spot, white, and
somewhat reddish, and it be shewed to the priest;
20 And if, when the priest seeth it, behold, it *be* in sight lower than the skin, and the hair
thereof be turned white; the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a plague of leprosy
broken out of the boil.
21 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, *there be* no white hairs therein, and *if* it *be* not
lower than the skin, but *be* somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:
22 And if it spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean:
it *is* a plague.
23 But if the bright spot stay in his place, *and* spread not, it *is* a burning boil; and the priest
shall pronounce him clean.
24 ¶ Or if there be *any* flesh, in the skin whereof *there is* a hot burning, and the quick *flesh*
that burneth have a white bright spot, somewhat reddish, or white;‡
25 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, *if* the hair in the bright spot be turned
white, and it *be in* sight deeper than the skin; it *is* a leprosy broken out of the burning:
wherefore the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* the plague of leprosy.
26 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, *there be* no white hair in the bright spot, and it
be no lower than the *other* skin, but *be* somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up
seven days:
27 And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: *and* if it be spread much abroad
in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* the plague of leprosy.
28 And if the bright spot stay in his place, *and* spread not in the skin, but it *be* somewhat
dark; it *is* a rising of the burning, and the priest shall pronounce him clean: for it *is* an
inflammation of the burning.
29 ¶ If a man or woman have a plague upon the head or the beard;
30 Then the priest shall see the plague: and, behold, if it *be* in sight deeper than the skin;
and there be in it a yellow thin hair; then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a dry
scall, *even* a leprosy upon the head or beard.
31 And if the priest look on the plague of the scall, and, behold, it *be* not in sight deeper
than the skin, and *that there is* no black hair in it; then the priest shall shut up *him that hath*
the plague of the scall seven days:
32 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plague: and, behold, *if* the scall
spread not, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the scall *be* not in sight deeper than the
skin;

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† **13:10** quick...: Heb. the quickening of living flesh ‡ **13:24** a hot...: Heb. a burning of fire

33 He shall be shaven, but the scall shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up *him*
that hath the scall seven days more:
34 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scall: and, behold, *if* the scall be not
spread in the skin, nor *be* in sight deeper than the skin; then the priest shall pronounce him
clean: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.
35 But if the scall spread much in the skin after his cleansing;
36 Then the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the scall be spread in the skin, the
priest shall not seek for yellow hair; he *is* unclean.
37 But if the scall be in his sight at a stay, and *that* there is black hair grown up therein;
the scall is healed, he *is* clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean.
38 ¶ If a man also or a woman have in the skin of their flesh bright spots, *even* white bright
spots;
39 Then the priest shall look: and, behold, *if* the bright spots in the skin of their flesh *be*
darkish white; it *is* a freckled spot *that* groweth in the skin; he *is* clean.
40 And the man whose hair is fallen off his head, he *is* bald; *yet is* he clean.§
41 And he that hath his hair fallen off from the part of his head toward his face, he *is*
forehead bald: *yet is* he clean.
42 And if there be in the bald head, or bald forehead, a white reddish sore; it *is* a leprosy
sprung up in his bald head, or his bald forehead.
43 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, *if* the rising of the sore *be* white reddish
in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the leprosy appeareth in the skin of the flesh;
44 He is a leprous man, he *is* unclean: the priest shall pronounce him utterly unclean; his
plague *is* in his head.
45 And the leper in whom the plague *is*, his clothes shall be rent, and his head bare, and
he shall put a covering upon his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean.
46 All the days wherein the plague *shall be* in him he shall be defiled; he *is* unclean: he
shall dwell alone; without the camp *shall* his habitation *be*.
47 ¶ The garment also that the plague of leprosy is in, *whether it be* a woollen garment, or
a linen garment;
48 Whether *it be* in the warp, or woof; of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any
thing made of skin;**
49 And if the plague be greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin, either in the
warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin; it *is* a plague of leprosy, and shall be shewed
unto the priest:††
50 And the priest shall look upon the plague, and shut up *it that hath* the plague seven
days:
51 And he shall look on the plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the
garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in a skin, *or* in any work that is made of
skin; the plague *is* a fretting leprosy; it *is* unclean.
52 He shall therefore burn that garment, whether warp or woof, in woollen or in linen,
or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for it *is* a fretting leprosy; it shall be burnt in
the fire.
53 And if the priest shall look, and, behold, the plague be not spread in the garment, either
in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin;
54 Then the priest shall command that they wash *the thing* wherein the plague *is*, and he
shall shut it up seven days more:
55 And the priest shall look on the plague, after that it is washed: and, behold, *if* the plague
have not changed his colour, and the plague be not spread; it *is* unclean; thou shalt burn it
in the fire; it *is* fret inward, *whether* it *be* bare within or without.‡‡
56 And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague *be* somewhat dark after the washing of
it; then he shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the warp, or out of
the woof:
57 And if it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing
of skin; it *is* a spreading *plague:* thou shalt burn that wherein the plague *is* with fire.
58 And the garment, either warp, or woof, or whatsoever thing of skin *it be*, which thou
shalt wash, if the plague be departed from them, then it shall be washed the second time,
and shall be clean.

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§ **13:40** hair...: Heb. head is pilled ** **13:48** thing...: Heb. work of †† **13:49** thing: Heb. vessel, or, instrument
‡‡ **13:55** whether...: Heb. whether it be bald in the head thereof, or in the forehead thereof

59 This *is* the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of woollen or linen, either in the
warp, or woof, or any thing of skins, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

14

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought unto
the priest:
3 And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, *if*
the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper;
4 Then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two birds alive *and*
clean, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:*
5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over
running water:
6 As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the
hyssop, and shall dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird *that was* killed over
the running water:
7 And he shall sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and
shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose into the open field.†
8 And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and wash
himself in water, that he may be clean: and after that he shall come into the camp, and shall
tarry abroad out of his tent seven days.
9 But it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his
beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off: and he shall wash his clothes,
also he shall wash his flesh in water, and he shall be clean.
10 And on the eighth day he shall take two he lambs without blemish, and one ewe lamb
of the first year without blemish, and three tenth deals of fine flour *for* a meat offering,
mingled with oil, and one log of oil.‡
11 And the priest that maketh *him* clean shall present the man that is to be made clean,
and those things, before the LORD, *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:
12 And the priest shall take one he lamb, and offer him for a trespass offering, and the log
of oil, and wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD:
13 And he shall slay the lamb in the place where he shall kill the sin offering and the burnt
offering, in the holy place: for as the sin offering *is* the priest's, *so is* the trespass offering:
it *is* most holy:
14 And the priest shall take *some* of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall
put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his
right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:
15 And the priest shall take *some* of the log of oil, and pour *it* into the palm of his own left
hand:
16 And the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that *is* in his left hand, and shall
sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times before the LORD:
17 And of the rest of the oil that *is* in his hand shall the priest put upon the tip of the right
ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great
toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the trespass offering:
18 And the remnant of the oil that *is* in the priest's hand he shall pour upon the head
of him that is to be cleansed: and the priest shall make an atonement for him before the
LORD.
19 And the priest shall offer the sin offering, and make an atonement for him that is to be
cleansed from his uncleanness; and afterward he shall kill the burnt offering:
20 And the priest shall offer the burnt offering and the meat offering upon the altar: and
the priest shall make an atonement for him, and he shall be clean.
21 And if he *be* poor, and cannot get so much; then he shall take one lamb *for* a trespass
offering to be waved, to make an atonement for him, and one tenth deal of fine flour
mingled with oil for a meat offering, and a log of oil;§**
22 And two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall
be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.
23 And he shall bring them on the eighth day for his cleansing unto the priest, unto the
door of the tabernacle of the congregation, before the LORD.

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* **14:4** birds: or, sparrows † **14:7** into...: Heb. upon the face of the field ‡ **14:10** of the...: Heb. the daughter of her year § **14:21** cannot...: Heb. his hand reach not ** **14:21** to be...: Heb. for a waving

24 And the priest shall take the lamb of the trespass offering, and the log of oil, and the
priest shall wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD:
25 And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass offering, and the priest shall take *some* of the
blood of the trespass offering, and put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be
cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:
26 And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand:
27 And the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger *some* of the oil that *is* in his left hand
seven times before the LORD:
28 And the priest shall put of the oil that *is* in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him
that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his
right foot, upon the place of the blood of the trespass offering:
29 And the rest of the oil that *is* in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that
is to be cleansed, to make an atonement for him before the LORD.
30 And he shall offer the one of the turtledoves, or of the young pigeons, such as he can
get;
31 *Even* such as he is able to get, the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt
offering, with the meat offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for him that is
to be cleansed before the LORD.
32 This *is* the law *of him* in whom *is* the plague of leprosy, whose hand is not able to get
that which pertaineth to his cleansing.
33 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
34 When ye be come into the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession, and I
put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession;
35 And he that owneth the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, It seemeth to me
there is as it were a plague in the house:
36 Then the priest shall command that they empty the house, before the priest go *into it* to
see the plague, that all that *is* in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest
shall go in to see the house:[††]
37 And he shall look on the plague, and, behold, *if* the plague *be* in the walls of the house
with hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight *are* lower than the wall;
38 Then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house
seven days:
39 And the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, *if* the
plague be spread in the walls of the house;
40 Then the priest shall command that they take away the stones in which the plague *is*,
and they shall cast them into an unclean place without the city:
41 And he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour
out the dust that they scrape off without the city into an unclean place:
42 And they shall take other stones, and put *them* in the place of those stones; and he shall
take other morter, and shall plaister the house.
43 And if the plague come again, and break out in the house, after that he hath taken away
the stones, and after he hath scraped the house, and after it is plaistered;
44 Then the priest shall come and look, and, behold, *if* the plague be spread in the house,
it *is* a fretting leprosy in the house: it *is* unclean.
45 And he shall break down the house, the stones of it, and the timber thereof, and all the
morter of the house; and he shall carry *them* forth out of the city into an unclean place.
46 Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean
until the even.
47 And he that lieth in the house shall wash his clothes; and he that eateth in the house
shall wash his clothes.
48 And if the priest shall come in, and look *upon it*, and, behold, the plague hath not spread
in the house, after the house was plaistered: then the priest shall pronounce the house
clean, because the plague is healed.[‡‡]
49 And he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and
hyssop:
50 And he shall kill the one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water:
51 And he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird,
and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water, and sprinkle the house
seven times:

[††] **14:36** empty: or, prepare [‡‡] **14:48** shall come...: Heb. in coming in shall come in, etc

52 And he shall cleanse the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water,
and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the
scarlet:
53 But he shall let go the living bird out of the city into the open fields, and make an
atonement for the house: and it shall be clean.
54 This *is* the law for all manner of plague of leprosy, and scall,
55 And for the leprosy of a garment, and of a house,
56 And for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot:
57 To teach when *it is* unclean, and when *it is* clean: this *is* the law of leprosy.§§

15

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man hath a running
issue out of his flesh, *because of* his issue he *is* unclean.*
3 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or
his flesh be stopped from his issue, it *is* his uncleanness.
4 Every bed, whereon he lieth that hath the issue, is unclean: and every thing, whereon
he sitteth, shall be unclean.†
5 And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and
be unclean until the even.
6 And he that sitteth on *any* thing whereon he sat that hath the issue shall wash his
clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
7 And he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and
bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
8 And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that is clean; then he shall wash his clothes,
and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
9 And what saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall be unclean.
10 And whosoever toucheth any thing that was under him shall be unclean until the even:
and he that beareth *any of* those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water,
and be unclean until the even.
11 And whomsoever he toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not rinsed his hands in
water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
12 And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and
every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.
13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he shall number to himself
seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water,
and shall be clean.
14 And on the eighth day he shall take to him two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and
come before the LORD unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and give them
unto the priest:
15 And the priest shall offer them, the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt
offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD for his issue.
16 And if any man's seed of copulation go out from him, then he shall wash all his flesh
in water, and be unclean until the even.
17 And every garment, and every skin, whereon is the seed of copulation, shall be washed
with water, and be unclean until the even.
18 The woman also with whom man shall lie *with* seed of copulation, they shall *both* bathe
themselves in water, and be unclean until the even.
19 ¶ And if a woman have an issue, *and* her issue in her flesh be blood, she shall be put
apart seven days: and whosoever toucheth her shall be unclean until the even.‡
20 And every thing that she lieth upon in her separation shall be unclean: every thing
also that she sitteth upon shall be unclean.
21 And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water,
and be unclean until the even.
22 And whosoever toucheth any thing that she sat upon shall wash his clothes, and bathe
himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
23 And if it *be* on *her* bed, or on any thing whereon she sitteth, when he toucheth it, he
shall be unclean until the even.

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§§ **14:57** when it is unclean...: Heb. in the day of the unclean, and in the day of the clean * **15:2** running...: or, running of the reins † **15:4** thing: Heb. vessel ‡ **15:19** put...: Heb. in her separation

24 And if any man lie with her at all, and her flowers be upon him, he shall be unclean
seven days; and all the bed whereon he lieth shall be unclean.
25 And if a woman have an issue of her blood many days out of the time of her separation,
or if it run beyond the time of her separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness
shall be as the days of her separation: she *shall be* unclean.
26 Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her
separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her
separation.
27 And whosoever toucheth those things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes, and
bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
28 But if she be cleansed of her issue, then she shall number to herself seven days, and
after that she shall be clean.
29 And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or two young pigeons, and
bring them unto the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
30 And the priest shall offer the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering;
and the priest shall make an atonement for her before the LORD for the issue of her
uncleanness.
31 Thus shall ye separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness; that they die not
in their uncleanness, when they defile my tabernacle that *is* among them.
32 This *is* the law of him that hath an issue, and *of him* whose seed goeth from him, and
is defiled therewith;
33 And of her that is sick of her flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, and of
the woman, and of him that lieth with her that is unclean.

16

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they
offered before the LORD, and died;
2 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all
times into the holy *place* within the vail before the mercy seat, which *is* upon the ark; that
he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat.
3 Thus shall Aaron come into the holy *place:* with a young bullock for a sin offering, and
a ram for a burnt offering.
4 He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh,
and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these
are holy garments; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and *so* put them on.
5 And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for
a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.
6 And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and make an
atonement for himself, and for his house.
7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD *at* the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation.
8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for
the scapegoat.*
9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD's lot fell, and offer him *for* a sin
offering.†
10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before
the LORD, to make an atonement with him, *and* to let him go for a scapegoat into the
wilderness.
11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and shall
make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin
offering which *is* for himself:
12 And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from off the altar before the
LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring *it* within the vail:
13 And he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the
incense may cover the mercy seat that *is* upon the testimony, that he die not:
14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle *it* with his finger upon the
mercy seat eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his
finger seven times.

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* **16:8** scapegoat: Heb. Azazel † **16:9** fell: Heb. went up

15 ¶ Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that *is* for the people, and bring his
blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and
sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:
16 And he shall make an atonement for the holy *place*, because of the uncleanness of the
children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do
for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their
uncleanness.‡
17 And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to
make an atonement in the holy *place*, until he come out, and have made an atonement for
himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.
18 And he shall go out unto the altar that *is* before the LORD, and make an atonement for
it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put *it* upon
the horns of the altar round about.
19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it,
and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.
20 ¶ And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy *place*, and the tabernacle of
the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat:
21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over
him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins,
putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of a fit man
into the wilderness:§
22 And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he
shall let go the goat in the wilderness.**
23 And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the
linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy *place*, and shall leave them
there:
24 And he shall wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and
come forth, and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering of the people, and make an
atonement for himself, and for the people.
25 And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar.
26 And he that let go the goat for the scapegoat shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh
in water, and afterward come into the camp.
27 And the bullock *for* the sin offering, and the goat *for* the sin offering, whose blood was
brought in to make atonement in the holy *place*, shall *one* carry forth without the camp;
and they shall burn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung.
28 And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and
afterward he shall come into the camp.
29 ¶ And *this* shall be a statute for ever unto you: *that* in the seventh month, on the tenth
day of the month, ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, *whether it be* one of your
own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:
30 For on that day shall *the priest* make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, *that* ye may
be clean from all your sins before the LORD.
31 It *shall be* a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls, by a statute for ever.
32 And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall consecrate to minister in the
priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen
clothes, *even* the holy garments:††
33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an
atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an
atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.
34 And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an atonement for the
children of Israel for all their sins once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

17

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto
them; This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, saying,
3 What man soever *there be* of the house of Israel, that killeth an ox, or lamb, or goat, in
the camp, or that killeth *it* out of the camp,

‡ **16:16** remaineth: Heb. dwelleth § **16:21** a fit...: Heb. a man of opportunity ** **16:22** not...: Heb. of separation
†† **16:32** consecrate: Heb. fill his hand

4 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer an
offering unto the LORD before the tabernacle of the LORD; blood shall be imputed unto
that man; he hath shed blood; and that man shall be cut off from among his people:
5 To the end that the children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they offer in the
open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle
of the congregation, unto the priest, and offer them *for* peace offerings unto the LORD.
6 And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the LORD *at* the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation, and burn the fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD.
7 And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto devils, after whom they have gone a
whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.
8 ¶ And thou shalt say unto them, Whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of
the strangers which sojourn among you, that offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice,
9 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer it unto
the LORD; even that man shall be cut off from among his people.
10 ¶ And whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn
among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that
eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.
11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make
an atonement for your souls: for it *is* the blood *that* maketh an atonement for the soul.
12 Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall
any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.
13 And whatsoever man *there be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn
among you, which hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even
pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.*
14 For *it is* the life of all flesh; the blood of it *is* for the life thereof: therefore I said unto
the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh *is*
the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.
15 And every soul that eateth that which died *of itself*, or that which was torn *with beasts,*
whether it be one of your own country, or a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and
bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.†
16 But if he wash *them* not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear his iniquity.

18

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the LORD your God.
3 After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the
doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in
their ordinances.
4 Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I *am* the LORD
your God.
5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live
in them: I *am* the LORD.
6 ¶ None of you shall approach to any that is near of kin to him, to uncover *their*
nakedness: I *am* the LORD.*
7 The nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover:
she *is* thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
8 The nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it *is* thy father's nakedness.
9 The nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother,
whether she be born at home, or born abroad, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.
10 The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, *even* their
nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for theirs *is* thine own nakedness.
11 The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she *is* thy sister,
thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
12 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she *is* thy father's near
kinswoman.
13 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she *is* thy mother's
near kinswoman.
14 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach
to his wife: she *is* thine aunt.

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* **17:13** which...: Heb. that hunteth any hunting † **17:15** that which died...: Heb. a carcase * **18:6** near...: Heb. remainder of his flesh

15 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she *is* thy son's wife;
thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.
16 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it *is* thy brother's
nakedness.
17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou
take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; *for* they *are*
her near kinswomen: it *is* wickedness.
18 Neither shalt thou take a wife to her sister, to vex *her*, to uncover her nakedness, beside
the other in her life *time*.†
19 Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she
is put apart for her uncleanness.
20 Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with
her.
21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through *the fire* to Molech, neither shalt thou
profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.‡
22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination.
23 Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any
woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it *is* confusion.
24 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled
which I cast out before you:
25 And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land
itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.
26 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit *any* of
these abominations; *neither* any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth
among you:
27 (For all these abominations have the men of the land done, which *were* before you,
and the land is defiled;)
28 That the land spue not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that
were before you.
29 For whosoever shall commit any of these abominations, even the souls that commit
them shall be cut off from among their people.
30 Therefore shall ye keep mine ordinance, that *ye* commit not *any one* of these abom-
inable customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves
therein: I *am* the LORD your God.

19

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be
holy: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.
3 ¶ Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths: I *am* the
LORD your God.
4 ¶ Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I *am* the LORD your God.
5 ¶ And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your
own will.
6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if ought remain until
the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.
7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it *is* abominable; it shall not be accepted.
8 Therefore *every one* that eateth it shall bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the
hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.
9 ¶ And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of
thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.
10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather *every* grape of thy
vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.
11 ¶ Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.
12 ¶ And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of
thy God: I *am* the LORD.
13 ¶ Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob *him:* the wages of him that is hired
shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.
14 ¶ Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt
fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.

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† **18:18** a wife...: or, one wife to another ‡ **18:21** Molech: Gr. Moloch

15 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of
the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: *but* in righteousness shalt thou judge thy
neighbour.
16 ¶ Thou shalt not go up and down *as* a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou
stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I *am* the LORD.
17 ¶ Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy
neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.*
18 ¶ Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but
thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I *am* the LORD.
19 ¶ Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind:
thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen
and woollen come upon thee.
20 ¶ And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that *is* a bondmaid, betrothed to an
husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; she shall be scourged; they shall
not be put to death, because she was not free.†‡
21 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle
of the congregation, *even* a ram for a trespass offering.
22 And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering
before the LORD for his sin which he hath done: and the sin which he hath done shall be
forgiven him.
23 ¶ And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees
for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as uncircumcised: three years shall it be as
uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.
24 But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be holy to praise the LORD *withal*.§
25 And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the
increase thereof: I *am* the LORD your God.
26 ¶ Ye shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantment, nor
observe times.
27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy
beard.
28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon
you: I *am* the LORD.
29 ¶ Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to
whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.**
30 ¶ Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.
31 ¶ Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled
by them: I *am* the LORD your God.
32 ¶ Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and
fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.
33 ¶ And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him.††
34 *But* the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and
thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD
your God.
35 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.
36 Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I *am* the LORD
your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.‡‡
37 Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: I *am*
the LORD.

20

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Again, thou shalt say to the children of Israel, Whosoever *he be* of the children of Israel,
or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth *any* of his seed unto Molech; he shall
surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones.
3 And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people;
because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my
holy name.

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* **19:17** and...: or, that thou bear not sin for him † **19:20** betrothed...: or, abused by any: Heb. reproached by (or, for) man ‡ **19:20** she shall...: or, they, etc: Heb. there shall be a scourging § **19:24** holy...: Heb. holiness of praises to the LORD ** **19:29** prostitute: Heb. profane †† **19:33** vex: or, oppress ‡‡ **19:36** weights: Heb. stones

4 And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from the man, when he giveth
of his seed unto Molech, and kill him not:
5 Then I will set my face against that man, and against his family, and will cut him off,
and all that go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their
people.
6 ¶ And the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go
a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from
among his people.
7 ¶ Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I *am* the LORD your God.
8 And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I *am* the LORD which sanctify you.
9 ¶ For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he
hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood *shall be* upon him.
10 ¶ And the man that committeth adultery with *another* man's wife, *even he* that
committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall
surely be put to death.
11 And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness:
both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.
12 And if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death:
they have wrought confusion; their blood *shall be* upon them.
13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed
an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.
14 And if a man take a wife and her mother, it *is* wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire,
both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.
15 And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.
16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the
woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.
17 And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and
see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it *is* a wicked thing; and they shall be cut
off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his
iniquity.
18 And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her
nakedness; he hath discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her
blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people.*
19 And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's
sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.†
20 And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness:
they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless.
21 And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it *is* an unclean thing: he hath uncovered
his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.‡
22 ¶ Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the
land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out.
23 And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for
they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.
24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess
it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I *am* the LORD your God, which have separated
you from *other* people.
25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between
unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl,
or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from
you as unclean.§
26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD *am* holy, and have severed you from *other*
people, that ye should be mine.
27 ¶ A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be
put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood *shall be* upon them.

21

1 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto the priests the sons of Aaron, and say unto
them, There shall none be defiled for the dead among his people:

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* **20:18** discovered: Heb. made naked † **20:19** uncovereth: Heb. hath made naked ‡ **20:21** an...: Heb. a separation
§ **20:25** creepeth: or, moveth

2 But for his kin, that is near unto him, *that is*, for his mother, and for his father, and for
his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother,
3 And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath had no husband; for her
may he be defiled.
4 *But* he shall not defile himself, *being* a chief man among his people, to profane himself.*
5 They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner
of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh.
6 They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God: for the
offerings of the LORD made by fire, *and* the bread of their God, they do offer: therefore
they shall be holy.
7 They shall not take a wife *that is* a whore, or profane; neither shall they take a woman
put away from her husband: for he *is* holy unto his God.
8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy
unto thee: for I the LORD, which sanctify you, *am* holy.
9 ¶ And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she
profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.
10 And *he that is* the high priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil
was poured, and that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not uncover his head,
nor rend his clothes;
11 Neither shall he go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his
mother;
12 Neither shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the
crown of the anointing oil of his God *is* upon him: I *am* the LORD.
13 And he shall take a wife in her virginity.
14 A widow, or a divorced woman, or profane, *or* an harlot, these shall he not take: but
he shall take a virgin of his own people to wife.
15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people: for I the LORD do sanctify him.
16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
17 Speak unto Aaron, saying, Whosoever *he be* of thy seed in their generations that hath
any blemish, let him not approach to offer the bread of his God.†
18 For whatsoever man *he be* that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or
a lame, or he that hath a flat nose, or any thing superfluous,
19 Or a man that is brokenfooted, or brokenhanded,
20 Or crookbackt, or a dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed,
or hath his stones broken;‡
21 No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest shall come nigh to offer the
offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish; he shall not come nigh to offer the
bread of his God.
22 He shall eat the bread of his God, *both* of the most holy, and of the holy.
23 Only he shall not go in unto the vail, nor come nigh unto the altar, because he hath a
blemish; that he profane not my sanctuaries: for I the LORD do sanctify them.
24 And Moses told *it* unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel.

22

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of
the children of Israel, and that they profane not my holy name *in those things* which they
hallow unto me: I *am* the LORD.
3 Say unto them, Whosoever *he be* of all your seed among your generations, that goeth
unto the holy things, which the children of Israel hallow unto the LORD, having his
uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from my presence: I *am* the LORD.
4 What man soever of the seed of Aaron *is* a leper, or hath a running issue; he shall not
eat of the holy things, until he be clean. And whoso toucheth any thing *that is* unclean *by*
the dead, or a man whose seed goeth from him;*
5 Or whosoever toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a
man of whom he may take uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he hath;
6 The soul which hath touched any such shall be unclean until even, and shall not eat of
the holy things, unless he wash his flesh with water.

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* **21:4** he...: or, being an husband among his people, he shall not defile himself for his wife, etc † **21:17** bread: or, food
‡ **21:20** a dwarf: or, too slender * **22:4** running...: Heb. running of the reins

7 And when the sun is down, he shall be clean, and shall afterward eat of the holy things;
because it *is* his food.
8 That which dieth of itself, or is torn *with beasts*, he shall not eat to defile himself
therewith: I *am* the LORD.
9 They shall therefore keep mine ordinance, lest they bear sin for it, and die therefore, if
they profane it: I the LORD do sanctify them.
10 There shall no stranger eat *of* the holy thing: a sojourner of the priest, or an hired
servant, shall not eat *of* the holy thing.
11 But if the priest buy *any* soul with his money, he shall eat of it, and he that is born in
his house: they shall eat of his meat.†
12 If the priest's daughter also be *married* unto a stranger, she may not eat of an offering
of the holy things.‡
13 But if the priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have no child, and is returned
unto her father's house, as in her youth, she shall eat of her father's meat: but there shall
no stranger eat thereof.
14 ¶ And if a man eat *of* the holy thing unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth *part* thereof
unto it, and shall give *it* unto the priest with the holy thing.
15 And they shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, which they offer
unto the LORD;
16 Or suffer them to bear the iniquity of trespass, when they eat their holy things: for I
the LORD do sanctify them.§
17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
18 Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto
them, Whatsoever *he be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will offer
his oblation for all his vows, and for all his freewill offerings, which they will offer unto
the LORD for a burnt offering;
19 *Ye shall offer* at your own will a male without blemish, of the beeves, of the sheep, or
of the goats.
20 *But* whatsoever hath a blemish, *that* shall ye not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for
you.
21 And whosoever offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD to accomplish *his*
vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or sheep, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall
be no blemish therein.**
22 Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed, ye shall not offer
these unto the LORD, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar unto the LORD.
23 Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or lacking in his parts, that
mayest thou offer *for* a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted.††
24 Ye shall not offer unto the LORD that which is bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut;
neither shall ye make *any offering thereof* in your land.
25 Neither from a stranger's hand shall ye offer the bread of your God of any of these;
because their corruption *is* in them, *and* blemishes *be* in them: they shall not be accepted
for you.
26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
27 When a bullock, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under
the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth it shall be accepted for an offering made
by fire unto the LORD.
28 And *whether it be* cow or ewe, ye shall not kill it and her young both in one day.‡‡
29 And when ye will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the LORD, offer *it* at your own
will.
30 On the same day it shall be eaten up; ye shall leave none of it until the morrow: I *am*
the LORD.
31 Therefore shall ye keep my commandments, and do them: I *am* the LORD.
32 Neither shall ye profane my holy name; but I will be hallowed among the children of
Israel: I *am* the LORD which hallow you,
33 That brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I *am* the LORD.

23

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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† **22:11** with...: Heb. with the purchase of his money ‡ **22:12** a stranger: Heb. a man a stranger § **22:16** suffer...: or, lade themselves with the iniquity of trespass in their eating ** **22:21** sheep: or, goats †† **22:23** lamb: or, kid ‡‡ **22:28** ewe: or, she goat

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, *Concerning* the feasts of the LORD,
which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, *even* these *are* my feasts.
3 Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day *is* the sabbath of rest, an holy
convocation; ye shall do no work *therein:* it *is* the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.
4 ¶ These *are* the feasts of the LORD, *even* holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in
their seasons.
5 In the fourteenth *day* of the first month at even *is* the LORD's passover.
6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month *is* the feast of unleavened bread unto the
LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.
7 In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.
8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh
day *is* an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work *therein*.
9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land
which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the
firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:*
11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow
after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.
12 And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the
first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.
13 And the meat offering thereof *shall be* two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil,
an offering made by fire unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof
shall be of wine, the fourth *part* of an hin.
14 And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame
day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout
your generations in all your dwellings.
15 ¶ And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that
ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:
16 Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye
shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.
17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall
be of fine flour; they shall be baken with leaven; *they are* the firstfruits unto the LORD.
18 And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one
young bullock, and two rams: they shall be *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their
meat offering, and their drink offerings, *even* an offering made by fire, of sweet savour
unto the LORD.
19 Then ye shall sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first
year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.
20 And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits *for* a wave offering
before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest.
21 And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, *that* it may be an holy convocation unto
you: ye shall do no servile work *therein: it shall be* a statute for ever in all your dwellings
throughout your generations.
22 ¶ And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of
the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy
harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor, and to the stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.
23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
24 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first *day* of the
month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.
25 Ye shall do no servile work *therein:* but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the
LORD.
26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
27 Also on the tenth *day* of this seventh month *there shall be* a day of atonement: it shall
be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made
by fire unto the LORD.
28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it *is* a day of atonement, to make an
atonement for you before the LORD your God.
29 For whatsoever soul *it be* that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off
from among his people.

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* **23:10** sheaf: or, handful: Heb. omer

30 And whatsoever soul *it be* that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I
destroy from among his people.
31 Ye shall do no manner of work: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your
generations in all your dwellings.
32 It *shall be* unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth *day* of
the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.†
33 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
34 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month *shall
be* the feast of tabernacles *for* seven days unto the LORD.
35 On the first day *shall be* an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work *therein*.
36 Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: on the eighth day
shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the
LORD: it *is* a solemn assembly; *and* ye shall do no servile work *therein*.‡
37 These *are* the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations,
to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a
sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon his day:
38 Beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and
beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.
39 Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of
the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day *shall be* a sabbath,
and on the eighth day *shall be* a sabbath.
40 And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm
trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before
the LORD your God seven days.§
41 And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. *It shall be* a statute
for ever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.
42 Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths:
43 That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths,
when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.
44 And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the feasts of the LORD.

24

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the
light, to cause the lamps to burn continually.*
3 Without the vail of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aaron
order it from the evening unto the morning before the LORD continually: *it shall be* a
statute for ever in your generations.
4 He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the LORD continually.
5 ¶ And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof: two tenth deals shall be
in one cake.
6 And thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure table before the LORD.
7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon *each* row, that it may be on the bread for a
memorial, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.
8 Every sabbath he shall set it in order before the LORD continually, *being taken* from the
children of Israel by an everlasting covenant.
9 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons'; and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it *is* most
holy unto him of the offerings of the LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.
10 ¶ And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father *was* an Egyptian, went out among
the children of Israel: and this son of the Israelitish *woman* and a man of Israel strove
together in the camp;
11 And the Israelitish woman's son blasphemed the name *of the LORD*, and cursed. And
they brought him unto Moses: (and his mother's name *was* Shelomith, the daughter of
Dibri, of the tribe of Dan:)
12 And they put him in ward, that the mind of the LORD might be shewed them.†
13 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
14 Bring forth him that hath cursed without the camp; and let all that heard *him* lay their
hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him.

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† **23:32** celebrate: Heb. rest ‡ **23:36** solemn...: Heb. day of restraint § **23:40** boughs of goodly trees: Heb. fruit of, etc * **24:2** to cause: Heb. to cause to ascend † **24:12** that...: Heb. to expound unto them according to the mouth of the LORD

15 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Whosoever curseth his God
shall bear his sin.
16 And he that blasphemeth the name of the LORD, he shall surely be put to death, *and*
all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as he that is born in the
land, when he blasphemeth the name *of the LORD*, shall be put to death.
17 ¶ And he that killeth any man shall surely be put to death.‡
18 And he that killeth a beast shall make it good; beast for beast.§
19 And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as he hath done, so shall it be done to
him;
20 Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man,
so shall it be done to him *again*.
21 And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that killeth a man, he shall be put
to death.
22 Ye shall have one manner of law, as well for the stranger, as for one of your own
country: for I *am* the LORD your God.
23 ¶ And Moses spake to the children of Israel, that they should bring forth him that had
cursed out of the camp, and stone him with stones. And the children of Israel did as the
LORD commanded Moses.

25

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which
I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto the LORD.*
3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and
gather in the fruit thereof;
4 But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for the LORD:
thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.
5 That which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, neither gather
the grapes of thy vine undressed: *for* it is a year of rest unto the land.†
6 And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant, and for
thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee,
7 And for thy cattle, and for the beast that *are* in thy land, shall all the increase thereof be
meat.
8 ¶ And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years;
and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.
9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the tenth *day* of the seventh
month, in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.‡
10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout *all* the land unto
all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you; and ye shall return every man unto
his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.
11 A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that which
groweth of itself in it, nor gather *the grapes* in it of thy vine undressed.
12 For it *is* the jubile; it shall be holy unto you: ye shall eat the increase thereof out of the
field.
13 In the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his possession.
14 And if thou sell ought unto thy neighbour, or buyest *ought* of thy neighbour's hand, ye
shall not oppress one another:
15 According to the number of years after the jubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour, *and*
according unto the number of years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee:
16 According to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and
according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for *according* to the
number *of the years* of the fruits doth he sell unto thee.
17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I *am* the
LORD your God.
18 ¶ Wherefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them; and ye
shall dwell in the land in safety.
19 And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety.
20 And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall not sow, nor
gather in our increase:

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‡ **24:17** killeth...: Heb. smiteth the life of a man § **24:18** beast for...: Heb. life for life * **25:2** keep: Heb. rest
† **25:5** of thy vine...: Heb. of thy separation ‡ **25:9** of the jubile: Heb. loud of sound

21 Then I will command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth
fruit for three years.
22 And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat *yet* of old fruit until the ninth year; until her
fruits come in ye shall eat *of* the old *store*.
23 ¶ The land shall not be sold for ever: for the land *is* mine; for ye *are* strangers and
sojourners with me.§
24 And in all the land of your possession ye shall grant a redemption for the land.
25 ¶ If thy brother be waxen poor, and hath sold away *some* of his possession, and if any
of his kin come to redeem it, then shall he redeem that which his brother sold.
26 And if the man have none to redeem it, and himself be able to redeem it;**
27 Then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the man
to whom he sold it; that he may return unto his possession.
28 But if he be not able to restore *it* to him, then that which is sold shall remain in the
hand of him that hath bought it until the year of jubile: and in the jubile it shall go out, and
he shall return unto his possession.
29 And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a
whole year after it is sold; *within* a full year may he redeem it.
30 And if it be not redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that *is* in the
walled city shall be established for ever to him that bought it throughout his generations:
it shall not go out in the jubile.
31 But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted
as the fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.††
32 Notwithstanding the cities of the Levites, *and* the houses of the cities of their posses-
sion, may the Levites redeem at any time.
33 And if a man purchase of the Levites, then the house that was sold, and the city of his
possession, shall go out in *the year of* jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites *are*
their possession among the children of Israel.‡‡
34 But the field of the suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it *is* their perpetual
possession.
35 ¶ And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt
relieve him: *yea, though he be* a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee.§§***
36 Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that thy brother may live
with thee.
37 Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase.
38 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you
the land of Canaan, *and* to be your God.
39 ¶ And if thy brother *that dwelleth* by thee be waxen poor, and be sold unto thee; thou
shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant:†††
40 *But* as an hired servant, *and* as a sojourner, he shall be with thee, *and* shall serve thee
unto the year of jubile:
41 And *then* shall he depart from thee, *both* he and his children with him, and shall return
unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return.
42 For they *are* my servants, which I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not
be sold as bondmen.‡‡‡
43 Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy God.
44 Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, *shall be* of the heathen
that are round about you; of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.
45 Moreover of the children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye
buy, and of their families that *are* with you, which they begat in your land: and they shall
be your possession.
46 And ye shall take them as an inheritance for your children after you, to inherit *them*
for a possession; they shall be your bondmen for ever: but over your brethren the children
of Israel, ye shall not rule one over another with rigour.§§§

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§ **25:23** for ever: or, to be quite cut off: Heb. for cutting off ** **25:26** himself...: Heb. his hand hath attained and found sufficiency †† **25:31** they may...: Heb. redemption belongeth unto it ‡‡ **25:33** a man...: or, one of the Levites redeem them §§ **25:35** fallen...: Heb. his hand faileth *** **25:35** relieve: Heb. strengthen ††† **25:39** compel...: Heb. serve thyself with him with the service, etc ‡‡‡ **25:42** as...: Heb. with the sale of a bondman §§§ **25:46** they...: Heb. ye shall serve yourselves with them

47 ¶ And if a sojourner or stranger wax rich by thee, and thy brother *that dwelleth* by
him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger *or* sojourner by thee, or to the stock of the
stranger's family:*
48 After that he is sold he may be redeemed again; one of his brethren may redeem him:
49 Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or *any* that is nigh of kin unto him
of his family may redeem him; or if he be able, he may redeem himself.
50 And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he was sold to him
unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of
years, according to the time of an hired servant shall it be with him.
51 If *there be* yet many years *behind,* according unto them he shall give again the price of
his redemption out of the money that he was bought for.
52 And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubile, then he shall count with him,
and according unto his years shall he give him again the price of his redemption.
53 *And* as a yearly hired servant shall he be with him: *and the other* shall not rule with
rigour over him in thy sight.
54 And if he be not redeemed in these *years*, then he shall go out in the year of jubile, *both*
he, and his children with him.†
55 For unto me the children of Israel *are* servants; they *are* my servants whom I brought
forth out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

26

1 Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image,
neither shall ye set up *any* image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I *am* the
LORD your God.*†
2 ¶ Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.
3 ¶ If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them;
4 Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the
trees of the field shall yield their fruit.
5 And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the
sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.
6 And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make *you* afraid:
and I will rid evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land.‡
7 And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.
8 And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand
to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.
9 For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish
my covenant with you.
10 And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of the new.
11 And I will set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor you.
12 And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people.
13 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye
should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go
upright.
14 ¶ But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments;
15 And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will
not do all my commandments, *but* that ye break my covenant:
16 I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the
burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow
your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.§
17 And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that
hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you.
18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times
more for your sins.
19 And I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and
your earth as brass:
20 And your strength shall be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase,
neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.

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* **25:47** wax rich...: Heb. his hand obtain, etc † **25:54** in these...: or, by these means * **26:1** standing...: or, pillar † **26:1** image of...: or, figured stone: Heb. a stone of picture ‡ **26:6** rid: Heb. cause to cease § **26:16** over: Heb. upon

21 ¶ And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven
times more plagues upon you according to your sins.**
22 I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and
destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your *high* ways shall be desolate.
23 And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;
24 Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your
sins.
25 And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of *my* covenant: and
when ye are gathered together within your cities, I will send the pestilence among you;
and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy.
26 *And* when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten women shall bake your bread in
one oven, and they shall deliver *you* your bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not
be satisfied.
27 And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me;
28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven
times for your sins.
29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.
30 And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your carcases
upon the carcases of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you.
31 And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I
will not smell the savour of your sweet odours.
32 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall
be astonished at it.
33 And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and
your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.
34 Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye *be* in your
enemies' land; *even* then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.
35 As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when
ye dwelt upon it.
36 And upon them that are left *alive* of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the
lands of their enemies; and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee,
as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.††
37 And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth:
and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.
38 And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up.
39 And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands;
and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.
40 If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass
which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;
41 And *that* I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land
of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of
the punishment of their iniquity:
42 Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and
also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.
43 The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate
without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even
because they despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.
44 And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away,
neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them:
for I *am* the LORD their God.
45 But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought
forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I *am* the
LORD.
46 These *are* the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him
and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses.

27

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When a man shall make a singular
vow, the persons *shall be* for the LORD by thy estimation.

** **26:21** contrary...: or, at all adventures with me

†† **26:36** shaken: Heb. driven

3 And thy estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old even unto sixty years old,
even thy estimation shall be fifty shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary.
4 And if it *be* a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty shekels.
5 And if *it be* from five years old even unto twenty years old, then thy estimation shall be
of the male twenty shekels, and for the female ten shekels.
6 And if *it be* from a month old even unto five years old, then thy estimation shall be of
the male five shekels of silver, and for the female thy estimation *shall be* three shekels of
silver.
7 And if *it be* from sixty years old and above; if *it be* a male, then thy estimation shall be
fifteen shekels, and for the female ten shekels.
8 But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present himself before the priest,
and the priest shall value him; according to his ability that vowed shall the priest value
him.
9 And if *it be* a beast, whereof men bring an offering unto the LORD, all that *any man*
giveth of such unto the LORD shall be holy.
10 He shall not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall
at all change beast for beast, then it and the exchange thereof shall be holy.
11 And if *it be* any unclean beast, of which they do not offer a sacrifice unto the LORD,
then he shall present the beast before the priest:
12 And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: as thou valuest it, *who art* the
priest, so shall it be.*
13 But if he will at all redeem it, then he shall add a fifth *part* thereof unto thy estimation.
14 ¶ And when a man shall sanctify his house *to be* holy unto the LORD, then the priest
shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand.
15 And if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth *part* of the
money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be his.
16 And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD *some part* of a field of his possession, then thy
estimation shall be according to the seed thereof: an homer of barley seed *shall be valued*
at fifty shekels of silver.†
17 If he sanctify his field from the year of jubile, according to thy estimation it shall stand.
18 But if he sanctify his field after the jubile, then the priest shall reckon unto him the
money according to the years that remain, even unto the year of the jubile, and it shall be
abated from thy estimation.
19 And if he that sanctified the field will in any wise redeem it, then he shall add the fifth
part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be assured to him.
20 And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another man, it shall
not be redeemed any more.
21 But the field, when it goeth out in the jubile, shall be holy unto the LORD, as a field
devoted; the possession thereof shall be the priest's.
22 And if *a man* sanctify unto the LORD a field which he hath bought, which *is* not of the
fields of his possession;
23 Then the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, *even* unto the year
of the jubile: and he shall give thine estimation in that day, *as* a holy thing unto the LORD.
24 In the year of the jubile the field shall return unto him of whom it was bought, *even* to
him to whom the possession of the land *did belong*.
25 And all thy estimations shall be according to the shekel of the sanctuary: twenty gerahs
shall be the shekel.
26 ¶ Only the firstling of the beasts, which should be the LORD's firstling, no man shall
sanctify it; whether *it be* ox, or sheep: it *is* the LORD's.‡
27 And if *it be* of an unclean beast, then he shall redeem *it* according to thine estimation,
and shall add a fifth *part* of it thereto: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according
to thy estimation.
28 Notwithstanding no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto the LORD of all that he
hath, *both* of man and beast, and of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed:
every devoted thing *is* most holy unto the LORD.
29 None devoted, which shall be devoted of men, shall be redeemed; *but* shall surely be
put to death.
30 And all the tithe of the land, *whether* of the seed of the land, *or* of the fruit of the tree,
is the LORD's: *it is* holy unto the LORD.

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* **27:12** as...: Heb. according to thy estimation, O priest, etc † **27:16** an...: or, the land of an homer, etc ‡ **27:26** firstling of: Heb. firstborn, etc

31 And if a man will at all redeem *ought* of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth *part*
thereof.
32 And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, *even* of whatsoever passeth under
the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD.
33 He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he
change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.
34 These *are* the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for the children of
Israel in mount Sinai.

The Fourth Book of Moses, called Numbers

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of the
congregation, on the first *day* of the second month, in the second year after they were come
out of the land of Egypt, saying,
2 Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, after their families, by
the house of their fathers, with the number of *their* names, every male by their polls;
3 From twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel: thou
and Aaron shall number them by their armies.
4 And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; every one head of the house of his
fathers.
5 ¶ And these *are* the names of the men that shall stand with you: of *the tribe of* Reuben;
Elizur the son of Shedeur.
6 Of Simeon; Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.
7 Of Judah; Nahshon the son of Amminadab.
8 Of Issachar; Nethaneel the son of Zuar.
9 Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.
10 Of the children of Joseph: of Ephraim; Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh;
Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.
11 Of Benjamin; Abidan the son of Gideoni.
12 Of Dan; Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.
13 Of Asher; Pagiel the son of Ocran.
14 Of Gad; Eliasaph the son of Deuel.*
15 Of Naphtali; Ahira the son of Enan.
16 These *were* the renowned of the congregation, princes of the tribes of their fathers,
heads of thousands in Israel.
17 ¶ And Moses and Aaron took these men which are expressed by *their* names:
18 And they assembled all the congregation together on the first *day* of the second
month, and they declared their pedigrees after their families, by the house of their fathers,
according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls.
19 As the LORD commanded Moses, so he numbered them in the wilderness of Sinai.
20 And the children of Reuben, Israel's eldest son, by their generations, after their
families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, by their polls,
every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;
21 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Reuben, *were* forty and six
thousand and five hundred.
22 ¶ Of the children of Simeon, by their generations, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, those that were numbered of them, according to the number of the names,
by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth
to war;
23 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Simeon, *were* fifty and nine
thousand and three hundred.
24 ¶ Of the children of Gad, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their
fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that
were able to go forth to war;
25 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Gad, *were* forty and five
thousand six hundred and fifty.
26 ¶ Of the children of Judah, by their generations, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;
27 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Judah, *were* threescore and
fourteen thousand and six hundred.
28 ¶ Of the children of Issachar, by their generations, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;
29 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Issachar, *were* fifty and four
thousand and four hundred.

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* **1:14** Deuel: also called, Reuel

30 ¶ Of the children of Zebulun, by their generations, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;
31 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Zebulun, *were* fifty and seven
thousand and four hundred.
32 ¶ Of the children of Joseph, *namely*, of the children of Ephraim, by their generations,
after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names,
from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;
33 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Ephraim, *were* forty thousand
and five hundred.
34 ¶ Of the children of Manasseh, by their generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;
35 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Manasseh, *were* thirty and two
thousand and two hundred.
36 ¶ Of the children of Benjamin, by their generations, after their families, by the house
of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;
37 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Benjamin, *were* thirty and five
thousand and four hundred.
38 ¶ Of the children of Dan, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their
fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that
were able to go forth to war;
39 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Dan, *were* threescore and two
thousand and seven hundred.
40 ¶ Of the children of Asher, by their generations, after their families, by the house of
their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward,
all that were able to go forth to war;
41 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Asher, *were* forty and one
thousand and five hundred.
42 ¶ Of the children of Naphtali, throughout their generations, after their families, by the
house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and
upward, all that were able to go forth to war;
43 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Naphtali, *were* fifty and three
thousand and four hundred.
44 These *are* those that were numbered, which Moses and Aaron numbered, and the
princes of Israel, *being* twelve men: each one was for the house of his fathers.
45 So were all those that were numbered of the children of Israel, by the house of their
fathers, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war in Israel;
46 Even all they that were numbered were six hundred thousand and three thousand and
five hundred and fifty.
47 ¶ But the Levites after the tribe of their fathers were not numbered among them.
48 For the LORD had spoken unto Moses, saying,
49 Only thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the
children of Israel:
50 But thou shalt appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of testimony, and over all the
vessels thereof, and over all things that *belong* to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and
all the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp round about the
tabernacle.
51 And when the tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites shall take it down: and when
the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up: and the stranger that cometh
nigh shall be put to death.
52 And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every
man by his own standard, throughout their hosts.
53 But the Levites shall pitch round about the tabernacle of testimony, that there be no
wrath upon the congregation of the children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge
of the tabernacle of testimony.
54 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did
they.

2

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 Every man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with the ensign of
their father's house: far off about the tabernacle of the congregation shall they pitch.*
3 And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the camp of
Judah pitch throughout their armies: and Nahshon the son of Amminadab *shall be* captain
of the children of Judah.
4 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* threescore and fourteen
thousand and six hundred.
5 And those that do pitch next unto him *shall be* the tribe of Issachar: and Nethaneel the
son of Zuar *shall be* captain of the children of Issachar.
6 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* fifty and four thousand and
four hundred.
7 *Then* the tribe of Zebulun: and Eliab the son of Helon *shall be* captain of the children of
Zebulun.
8 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* fifty and seven thousand and
four hundred.
9 All that were numbered in the camp of Judah *were* an hundred thousand and fourscore
thousand and six thousand and four hundred, throughout their armies. These shall first
set forth.
10 ¶ On the south side *shall be* the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their
armies: and the captain of the children of Reuben *shall be* Elizur the son of Shedeur.
11 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* forty and six thousand and
five hundred.
12 And those which pitch by him *shall be* the tribe of Simeon: and the captain of the
children of Simeon *shall be* Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.
13 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* fifty and nine thousand and
three hundred.
14 Then the tribe of Gad: and the captain of the sons of Gad *shall be* Eliasaph the son of
Reuel.†
15 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty and five thousand and
six hundred and fifty.
16 All that were numbered in the camp of Reuben *were* an hundred thousand and fifty
and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, throughout their armies. And they shall set
forth in the second rank.
17 ¶ Then the tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with the camp of the
Levites in the midst of the camp: as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man
in his place by their standards.
18 ¶ On the west side *shall be* the standard of the camp of Ephraim according to their
armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim *shall be* Elishama the son of Ammihud.
19 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty thousand and five
hundred.
20 And by him *shall be* the tribe of Manasseh: and the captain of the children of Manasseh
shall be Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.
21 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* thirty and two thousand
and two hundred.
22 Then the tribe of Benjamin: and the captain of the sons of Benjamin *shall be* Abidan
the son of Gideoni.
23 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* thirty and five thousand
and four hundred.
24 All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim *were* an hundred thousand and eight
thousand and an hundred, throughout their armies. And they shall go forward in the third
rank.
25 ¶ The standard of the camp of Dan *shall be* on the north side by their armies: and the
captain of the children of Dan *shall be* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.
26 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* threescore and two
thousand and seven hundred.
27 And those that encamp by him *shall be* the tribe of Asher: and the captain of the
children of Asher *shall be* Pagiel the son of Ocran.
28 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty and one thousand and
five hundred.

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* **2:2** far...: Heb. over against † **2:14** Reuel: also called, Deuel

29 ¶ Then the tribe of Naphtali: and the captain of the children of Naphtali *shall be* Ahira
the son of Enan.
30 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* fifty and three thousand
and four hundred.
31 All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan *were* an hundred thousand and fifty
and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall go hindmost with their standards.
32 ¶ These *are* those which were numbered of the children of Israel by the house of
their fathers: all those that were numbered of the camps throughout their hosts *were* six
hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.
33 But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel; as the LORD
commanded Moses.
34 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses: so
they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families,
according to the house of their fathers.

3

1 These also *are* the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day *that* the LORD spake with
Moses in mount Sinai.
2 And these *are* the names of the sons of Aaron; Nadab the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar,
and Ithamar.
3 These *are* the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests which were anointed, whom he
consecrated to minister in the priest's office.*
4 And Nadab and Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered strange fire before
the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar
ministered in the priest's office in the sight of Aaron their father.
5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
6 Bring the tribe of Levi near, and present them before Aaron the priest, that they may
minister unto him.
7 And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole congregation before the
tabernacle of the congregation, to do the service of the tabernacle.
8 And they shall keep all the instruments of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the
charge of the children of Israel, to do the service of the tabernacle.
9 And thou shalt give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they *are* wholly given unto
him out of the children of Israel.
10 And thou shalt appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall wait on their priest's office:
and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.
11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
12 And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all
the firstborn that openeth the matrix among the children of Israel: therefore the Levites
shall be mine;
13 Because all the firstborn *are* mine; *for* on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the
land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and beast: mine shall
they be: I *am* the LORD.
14 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,
15 Number the children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by their families: every
male from a month old and upward shalt thou number them.
16 And Moses numbered them according to the word of the LORD, as he was com-
manded.†
17 And these were the sons of Levi by their names; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari.
18 And these *are* the names of the sons of Gershon by their families; Libni, and Shimei.
19 And the sons of Kohath by their families; Amram, and Izehar, Hebron, and Uzziel.
20 And the sons of Merari by their families; Mahli, and Mushi. These *are* the families of
the Levites according to the house of their fathers.
21 Of Gershon *was* the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimites: these *are* the
families of the Gershonites.
22 Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a
month old and upward, *even* those that were numbered of them *were* seven thousand and
five hundred.
23 The families of the Gershonites shall pitch behind the tabernacle westward.

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* **3:3** whom...: Heb. whose hand he filled † **3:16** word: Heb. mouth

24 And the chief of the house of the father of the Gershonites *shall be* Eliasaph the son of
Lael.
25 And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the congregation *shall be*
the tabernacle, and the tent, the covering thereof, and the hanging for the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation,
26 And the hangings of the court, and the curtain for the door of the court, which *is* by the
tabernacle, and by the altar round about, and the cords of it for all the service thereof.
27 ¶ And of Kohath *was* the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izeharites, and
the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites: these *are* the families of the
Kohathites.
28 In the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* eight thousand
and six hundred, keeping the charge of the sanctuary.
29 The families of the sons of Kohath shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle southward.
30 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites *shall be*
Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.
31 And their charge *shall be* the ark, and the table, and the candlestick, and the altars, and
the vessels of the sanctuary wherewith they minister, and the hanging, and all the service
thereof.
32 And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *shall be* chief over the chief of the Levites, *and*
have the oversight of them that keep the charge of the sanctuary.
33 ¶ Of Merari *was* the family of the Mahlites, and the family of the Mushites: these *are*
the families of Merari.
34 And those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from
a month old and upward, *were* six thousand and two hundred.
35 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of Merari *was* Zuriel the son of
Abihail: *these* shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle northward.
36 And *under* the custody and charge of the sons of Merari *shall be* the boards of the
tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and the sockets thereof, and all
the vessels thereof, and all that serveth thereto,‡
37 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their
cords.
38 ¶ But those that encamp before the tabernacle toward the east, *even* before the
tabernacle of the congregation eastward, *shall be* Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping
the charge of the sanctuary for the charge of the children of Israel; and the stranger that
cometh nigh shall be put to death.
39 All that were numbered of the Levites, which Moses and Aaron numbered at the
commandment of the LORD, throughout their families, all the males from a month old and
upward, *were* twenty and two thousand.
40 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Number all the firstborn of the males of the children
of Israel from a month old and upward, and take the number of their names.
41 And thou shalt take the Levites for me (I *am* the LORD) instead of all the firstborn
among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among
the cattle of the children of Israel.
42 And Moses numbered, as the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn among the
children of Israel.
43 And all the firstborn males by the number of names, from a month old and upward,
of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and two thousand two hundred and
threescore and thirteen.
44 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
45 Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the cattle
of the Levites instead of their cattle; and the Levites shall be mine: I *am* the LORD.
46 And for those that are to be redeemed of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen
of the firstborn of the children of Israel, which are more than the Levites;
47 Thou shalt even take five shekels apiece by the poll, after the shekel of the sanctuary
shalt thou take *them:* (the shekel *is* twenty gerahs:)
48 And thou shalt give the money, wherewith the odd number of them is to be redeemed,
unto Aaron and to his sons.
49 And Moses took the redemption money of them that were over and above them that
were redeemed by the Levites:

‡ **3:36** under...: Heb. the office of the charge

50 Of the firstborn of the children of Israel took he the money; a thousand three hundred
and threescore and five *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary:
51 And Moses gave the money of them that were redeemed unto Aaron and to his sons,
according to the word of the LORD, as the LORD commanded Moses.

4

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
2 Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families, by
the house of their fathers,
3 From thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host,
to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.
4 This *shall be* the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation,
about the most holy things:
5 ¶ And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall
take down the covering vail, and cover the ark of testimony with it:
6 And shall put thereon the covering of badgers' skins, and shall spread over *it* a cloth
wholly of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof.
7 And upon the table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the
dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls, and covers to cover withal: and the continual bread
shall be thereon:*
8 And they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering
of badgers' skins, and shall put in the staves thereof.
9 And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the candlestick of the light, and his lamps,
and his tongs, and his snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof, wherewith they minister
unto it:
10 And they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of badgers' skins, and
shall put *it* upon a bar.
11 And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering
of badgers' skins, and shall put to the staves thereof:
12 And they shall take all the instruments of ministry, wherewith they minister in the
sanctuary, and put *them* in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of badgers' skins,
and shall put *them* on a bar:
13 And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon:
14 And they shall put upon it all the vessels thereof, wherewith they minister about it,
even the censers, the fleshhooks, and the shovels, and the basons, all the vessels of the altar;
and they shall spread upon it a covering of badgers' skins, and put to the staves of it.†
15 And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the
vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall
come to bear *it:* but they shall not touch *any* holy thing, lest they die. These *things are* the
burden of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation.
16 ¶ And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *pertaineth* the oil for the light,
and the sweet incense, and the daily meat offering, and the anointing oil, *and* the oversight
of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein *is*, in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof.
17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
18 Cut ye not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites:
19 But thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die, when they approach unto the
most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in, and appoint them every one to his service
and to his burden:
20 But they shall not go in to see when the holy things are covered, lest they die.
21 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
22 Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by
their families;
23 From thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that
enter in to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.‡
24 This *is* the service of the families of the Gershonites, to serve, and for burdens:§
25 And they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle, and the tabernacle of the congre-
gation, his covering, and the covering of the badgers' skins that *is* above upon it, and the
hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,

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* **4:7** cover...: or, pour out withal † **4:14** basons: or, bowls ‡ **4:23** to perform...: Heb. to war the warfare § **4:24** burdens: or, carriage

26 And the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the door of the gate of the court,
which *is* by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the
instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve.
27 At the appointment of Aaron and his sons shall be all the service of the sons of the
Gershonites, in all their burdens, and in all their service: and ye shall appoint unto them
in charge all their burdens.**
28 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the
congregation: and their charge *shall be* under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the
priest.
29 ¶ As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number them after their families, by the house
of their fathers;
30 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old shalt thou number
them, every one that entereth into the service, to do the work of the tabernacle of the
congregation.††
31 And this *is* the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the tabernacle
of the congregation; the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars
thereof, and sockets thereof,
32 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their
cords, with all their instruments, and with all their service: and by name ye shall reckon
the instruments of the charge of their burden.
33 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service, in
the tabernacle of the congregation, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.
34 ¶ And Moses and Aaron and the chief of the congregation numbered the sons of the
Kohathites after their families, and after the house of their fathers,
35 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth
into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation:
36 And those that were numbered of them by their families were two thousand seven
hundred and fifty.
37 These *were* they that were numbered of the families of the Kohathites, all that might
do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, which Moses and Aaron did number
according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
38 And those that were numbered of the sons of Gershon, throughout their families, and
by the house of their fathers,
39 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth
into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation,
40 Even those that were numbered of them, throughout their families, by the house of
their fathers, were two thousand and six hundred and thirty.
41 These *are* they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, of all
that might do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did
number according to the commandment of the LORD.
42 ¶ And those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, throughout their
families, by the house of their fathers,
43 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth
into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation,
44 Even those that were numbered of them after their families, were three thousand and
two hundred.
45 These *be* those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses
and Aaron numbered according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
46 All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the chief of
Israel numbered, after their families, and after the house of their fathers,
47 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that came
to do the service of the ministry, and the service of the burden in the tabernacle of the
congregation,
48 Even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and
fourscore.
49 According to the commandment of the LORD they were numbered by the hand of
Moses, every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they
numbered of him, as the LORD commanded Moses.

** **4:27** appointment: Heb. mouth †† **4:30** service: Heb. warfare

5

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, that they put out of the camp every leper, and every
one that hath an issue, and whosoever is defiled by the dead:
3 Both male and female shall ye put out, without the camp shall ye put them; that they
defile not their camps, in the midst whereof I dwell.
4 And the children of Israel did so, and put them out without the camp: as the LORD spake
unto Moses, so did the children of Israel.
5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
6 Speak unto the children of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men
commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be guilty;
7 Then they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall recompense his
trespass with the principal thereof, and add unto it the fifth *part* thereof, and give *it* unto
him against whom he hath trespassed.
8 But if the man have no kinsman to recompense the trespass unto, let the trespass be
recompensed unto the LORD, *even* to the priest; beside the ram of the atonement, whereby
an atonement shall be made for him.
9 And every offering of all the holy things of the children of Israel, which they bring unto
the priest, shall be his.*
10 And every man's hallowed things shall be his: whatsoever any man giveth the priest,
it shall be his.
11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
12 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and
commit a trespass against him,
13 And a man lie with her carnally, and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept
close, and she be defiled, and *there be* no witness against her, neither she be taken *with the
manner;*
14 And the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be
defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be
not defiled:
15 Then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and he shall bring her offering
for her, the tenth *part* of an ephah of barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put
frankincense thereon; for it *is* an offering of jealousy, an offering of memorial, bringing
iniquity to remembrance.
16 And the priest shall bring her near, and set her before the LORD:
17 And the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel; and of the dust that is in the
floor of the tabernacle the priest shall take, and put *it* into the water:
18 And the priest shall set the woman before the LORD, and uncover the woman's head,
and put the offering of memorial in her hands, which *is* the jealousy offering: and the priest
shall have in his hand the bitter water that causeth the curse:
19 And the priest shall charge her by an oath, and say unto the woman, If no man have
lain with thee, and if thou hast not gone aside to uncleanness *with another* instead of thy
husband, be thou free from this bitter water that causeth the curse:†
20 But if thou hast gone aside *to another* instead of thy husband, and if thou be defiled,
and some man have lain with thee beside thine husband:
21 Then the priest shall charge the woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest shall
say unto the woman, The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among thy people, when
the LORD doth make thy thigh to rot, and thy belly to swell;‡
22 And this water that causeth the curse shall go into thy bowels, to make *thy* belly to
swell, and *thy* thigh to rot: And the woman shall say, Amen, amen.
23 And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall blot *them* out with the
bitter water:
24 And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that causeth the curse: and the
water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, *and become* bitter.
25 Then the priest shall take the jealousy offering out of the woman's hand, and shall
wave the offering before the LORD, and offer it upon the altar:
26 And the priest shall take an handful of the offering, *even* the memorial thereof, and
burn *it* upon the altar, and afterward shall cause the woman to drink the water.

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* **5:9** offering: or, heave offering † **5:19** with another...: or, being in the power of thy husband: Heb. under thy husband ‡ **5:21** rot: Heb. fall

27 And when he hath made her to drink the water, then it shall come to pass, *that*, if she
be defiled, and have done trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the
curse shall enter into her, *and become* bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall
rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her people.
28 And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive
seed.
29 This *is* the law of jealousies, when a wife goeth aside *to another* instead of her husband,
and is defiled;
30 Or when the spirit of jealousy cometh upon him, and he be jealous over his wife, and
shall set the woman before the LORD, and the priest shall execute upon her all this law.
31 Then shall the man be guiltless from iniquity, and this woman shall bear her iniquity.

6

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When either man or woman shall
separate *themselves* to vow a vow of a Nazarite, to separate *themselves* unto the LORD:*
3 He shall separate *himself* from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of
wine, or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist
grapes, or dried.
4 All the days of his separation shall he eat nothing that is made of the vine tree, from the
kernels even to the husk.†‡
5 All the days of the vow of his separation there shall no razor come upon his head: until
the days be fulfilled, in the which he separateth *himself* unto the LORD, he shall be holy,
and shall let the locks of the hair of his head grow.
6 All the days that he separateth *himself* unto the LORD he shall come at no dead body.
7 He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for his mother, for his brother, or
for his sister, when they die: because the consecration of his God *is* upon his head.§
8 All the days of his separation he *is* holy unto the LORD.
9 And if any man die very suddenly by him, and he hath defiled the head of his
consecration; then he shall shave his head in the day of his cleansing, on the seventh day
shall he shave it.
10 And on the eighth day he shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons, to the priest, to
the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:
11 And the priest shall offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering,
and make an atonement for him, for that he sinned by the dead, and shall hallow his head
that same day.
12 And he shall consecrate unto the LORD the days of his separation, and shall bring a
lamb of the first year for a trespass offering: but the days that were before shall be lost,
because his separation was defiled.**
13 ¶ And this *is* the law of the Nazarite, when the days of his separation are fulfilled: he
shall be brought unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:
14 And he shall offer his offering unto the LORD, one he lamb of the first year without
blemish for a burnt offering, and one ewe lamb of the first year without blemish for a sin
offering, and one ram without blemish for peace offerings,
15 And a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, and wafers of
unleavened bread anointed with oil, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings.
16 And the priest shall bring *them* before the LORD, and shall offer his sin offering, and
his burnt offering:
17 And he shall offer the ram *for* a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, with the
basket of unleavened bread: the priest shall offer also his meat offering, and his drink
offering.
18 And the Nazarite shall shave the head of his separation *at* the door of the tabernacle
of the congregation, and shall take the hair of the head of his separation, and put *it* in the
fire which *is* under the sacrifice of the peace offerings.
19 And the priest shall take the sodden shoulder of the ram, and one unleavened cake
out of the basket, and one unleavened wafer, and shall put *them* upon the hands of the
Nazarite, after *the hair of* his separation is shaven:

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* **6:2** to separate...: or, to make themselves Nazarites † **6:4** separation: or, Nazariteship ‡ **6:4** vine...: Heb. vine of the wine § **6:7** consecration: Heb. separation ** **6:12** be lost: Heb. fall

20 And the priest shall wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD: this *is* holy for
the priest, with the wave breast and heave shoulder: and after that the Nazarite may drink
wine.
21 This *is* the law of the Nazarite who hath vowed, *and of* his offering unto the LORD for
his separation, beside *that* that his hand shall get: according to the vow which he vowed,
so he must do after the law of his separation.
22 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
23 Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of
Israel, saying unto them,
24 The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:
25 The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:
26 The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.
27 And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them.

7

1 And it came to pass on the day that Moses had fully set up the tabernacle, and had
anointed it, and sanctified it, and all the instruments thereof, both the altar and all the
vessels thereof, and had anointed them, and sanctified them;
2 That the princes of Israel, heads of the house of their fathers, who *were* the princes of
the tribes, and were over them that were numbered, offered:*
3 And they brought their offering before the LORD, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen;
a wagon for two of the princes, and for each one an ox: and they brought them before the
tabernacle.
4 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
5 Take *it* of them, that they may be to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation;
and thou shalt give them unto the Levites, to every man according to his service.
6 And Moses took the wagons and the oxen, and gave them unto the Levites.
7 Two wagons and four oxen he gave unto the sons of Gershon, according to their service:
8 And four wagons and eight oxen he gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their
service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.
9 But unto the sons of Kohath he gave none: because the service of the sanctuary
belonging unto them *was that* they should bear upon their shoulders.
10 ¶ And the princes offered for dedicating of the altar in the day that it was anointed,
even the princes offered their offering before the altar.
11 And the LORD said unto Moses, They shall offer their offering, each prince on his day,
for the dedicating of the altar.
12 ¶ And he that offered his offering the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of
the tribe of Judah:
13 And his offering *was* one silver charger, the weight thereof *was* an hundred and thirty
shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them
were full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
14 One spoon of ten *shekels* of gold, full of incense:
15 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
16 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
17 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of
the first year: this *was* the offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.
18 ¶ On the second day Nethaneel the son of Zuar, prince of Issachar, did offer:
19 He offered *for* his offering one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and
thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of
them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
20 One spoon of gold of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
21 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
22 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
23 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of
the first year: this *was* the offering of Nethaneel the son of Zuar.
24 ¶ On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children of Zebulun, *did offer:*
25 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty
shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them
full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
26 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

* **7:2** and were: Heb. who stood

27 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
28 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
29 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Eliab the son of Helon.
30 ¶ On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the children of Reuben, *did offer:*
31 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
32 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
33 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
34 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
35 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.
36 ¶ On the fifth day Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai, prince of the children of Simeon, *did offer:*
37 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
38 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
39 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
40 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
41 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.
42 ¶ On the sixth day Eliasaph the son of Deuel, prince of the children of Gad, *offered:*
43 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, a silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
44 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
45 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
46 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
47 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.
48 ¶ On the seventh day Elishama the son of Ammihud, prince of the children of Ephraim, *offered:*
49 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
50 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
51 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
52 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
53 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.
54 ¶ On the eighth day *offered* Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the children of Manasseh:
55 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
56 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
57 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
58 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
59 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.
60 ¶ On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni, prince of the children of Benjamin, *offered:*
61 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
62 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
63 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
64 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

65 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of
the first year: this *was* the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.
66 ¶ On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the children of Dan,
offered:
67 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty
shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them
full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
68 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
69 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
70 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
71 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of
the first year: this *was* the offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.
72 ¶ On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ocran, prince of the children of Asher, *offered:*
73 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty
shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them
full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
74 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
75 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
76 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
77 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of
the first year: this *was* the offering of Pagiel the son of Ocran.
78 ¶ On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the children of Naphtali, *offered:*
79 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty
shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them
full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
80 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:
81 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
82 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
83 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of
the first year: this *was* the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.
84 This *was* the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, by the princes of
Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold:
85 Each charger of silver *weighing* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, each bowl seventy: all
the silver vessels *weighed* two thousand and four hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the
sanctuary:
86 The golden spoons *were* twelve, full of incense, *weighing* ten *shekels* apiece, after the
shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons *was* an hundred and twenty *shekels*.
87 All the oxen for the burnt offering *were* twelve bullocks, the rams twelve, the lambs
of the first year twelve, with their meat offering: and the kids of the goats for sin offering
twelve.
88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace offerings *were* twenty and four bullocks,
the rams sixty, the he goats sixty, the lambs of the first year sixty. This *was* the dedication
of the altar, after that it was anointed.
89 And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him,
then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that *was* upon
the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.†

8

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, When thou lightest the lamps, the seven lamps
shall give light over against the candlestick.
3 And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps thereof over against the candlestick, as the LORD
commanded Moses.
4 And this work of the candlestick *was of* beaten gold, unto the shaft thereof, unto the
flowers thereof, *was* beaten work: according unto the pattern which the LORD had shewed
Moses, so he made the candlestick.
5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
6 Take the Levites from among the children of Israel, and cleanse them.

† **7:89** with him: that is, with God

7 And thus shalt thou do unto them, to cleanse them: Sprinkle water of purifying upon
them, and let them shave all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes, and *so* make
themselves clean.*
8 Then let them take a young bullock with his meat offering, *even* fine flour mingled with
oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take for a sin offering.
9 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the tabernacle of the congregation: and thou
shalt gather the whole assembly of the children of Israel together:
10 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the LORD: and the children of Israel shall put
their hands upon the Levites:
11 And Aaron shall offer the Levites before the LORD *for* an offering of the children of
Israel, that they may execute the service of the LORD.†‡§
12 And the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks: and thou shalt
offer the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering, unto the LORD, to make
an atonement for the Levites.
13 And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them *for* an
offering unto the LORD.
14 Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the children of Israel: and the Levites
shall be mine.
15 And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the tabernacle of the
congregation: and thou shalt cleanse them, and offer them *for* an offering.
16 For they *are* wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel; instead of such
as open every womb, *even instead of* the firstborn of all the children of Israel, have I taken
them unto me.
17 For all the firstborn of the children of Israel *are* mine, *both* man and beast: on the day
that I smote every firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for myself.
18 And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the children of Israel.
19 And I have given the Levites *as* a gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children
of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation,
and to make an atonement for the children of Israel: that there be no plague among the
children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary.**
20 And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel, did to the
Levites according unto all that the LORD commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so
did the children of Israel unto them.
21 And the Levites were purified, and they washed their clothes; and Aaron offered them
as an offering before the LORD; and Aaron made an atonement for them to cleanse them.
22 And after that went the Levites in to do their service in the tabernacle of the
congregation before Aaron, and before his sons: as the LORD had commanded Moses
concerning the Levites, so did they unto them.
23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
24 This *is it* that *belongeth* unto the Levites: from twenty and five years old and upward
they shall go in to wait upon the service of the tabernacle of the congregation:††
25 And from the age of fifty years they shall cease waiting upon the service *thereof*, and
shall serve no more:‡‡
26 But shall minister with their brethren in the tabernacle of the congregation, to keep the
charge, and shall do no service. Thus shalt thou do unto the Levites touching their charge.

9

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the
second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,
2 Let the children of Israel also keep the passover at his appointed season.
3 In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season:
according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it.*
4 And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep the passover.
5 And they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month at even in the
wilderness of Sinai: according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did the children
of Israel.

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* **8:7** let them shave...: Heb. let them cause a razor to pass over, etc † **8:11** offer: Heb. wave ‡ **8:11** offering: Heb. wave offering § **8:11** they...: Heb. they may be to execute, etc ** **8:19** a gift: Heb. given †† **8:24** to...: Heb. to war the warfare of, etc ‡‡ **8:25** cease...: Heb. return from the warfare of the service * **9:3** at even: Heb. between the two evenings

6 ¶ And there were certain men, who were defiled by the dead body of a man, that they
could not keep the passover on that day: and they came before Moses and before Aaron on
that day:
7 And those men said unto him, We *are* defiled by the dead body of a man: wherefore
are we kept back, that we may not offer an offering of the LORD in his appointed season
among the children of Israel?
8 And Moses said unto them, Stand still, and I will hear what the LORD will command
concerning you.
9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
10 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your posterity shall be
unclean by reason of a dead body, or *be* in a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the passover
unto the LORD.
11 The fourteenth day of the second month at even they shall keep it, *and* eat it with
unleavened bread and bitter *herbs*.
12 They shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break any bone of it: according to all
the ordinances of the passover they shall keep it.
13 But the man that *is* clean, and is not in a journey, and forbeareth to keep the passover,
even the same soul shall be cut off from among his people: because he brought not the
offering of the LORD in his appointed season, that man shall bear his sin.
14 And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the passover unto the LORD;
according to the ordinance of the passover, and according to the manner thereof, so shall
he do: ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the
land.
15 ¶ And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle,
namely, the tent of the testimony: and at even there was upon the tabernacle as it were the
appearance of fire, until the morning.
16 So it was alway: the cloud covered it *by day*, and the appearance of fire by night.
17 And when the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, then after that the children
of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel
pitched their tents.
18 At the commandment of the LORD the children of Israel journeyed, and at the
commandment of the LORD they pitched: as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle
they rested in their tents.
19 And when the cloud tarried long upon the tabernacle many days, then the children of
Israel kept the charge of the LORD, and journeyed not.†
20 And *so* it was, when the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle; according to the
commandment of the LORD they abode in their tents, and according to the commandment
of the LORD they journeyed.
21 And *so* it was, when the cloud abode from even unto the morning, and *that* the cloud
was taken up in the morning, then they journeyed: whether *it was* by day or by night that
the cloud was taken up, they journeyed.‡
22 Or *whether it were* two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the
tabernacle, remaining thereon, the children of Israel abode in their tents, and journeyed
not: but when it was taken up, they journeyed.
23 At the commandment of the LORD they rested in the tents, and at the commandment
of the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of the LORD, at the commandment of the
LORD by the hand of Moses.

10

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou
mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps.
3 And when they shall blow with them, all the assembly shall assemble themselves to
thee at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.
4 And if they blow *but* with one *trumpet*, then the princes, *which are* heads of the
thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.
5 When ye blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward.
6 When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall
take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys.

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† **9:19** tarried...: Heb. prolonged ‡ **9:21** abode: Heb. was

7 But when the congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not
sound an alarm.
8 And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to
you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations.
9 And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresseth you, then ye shall
blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be remembered before the LORD your God,
and ye shall be saved from your enemies.
10 Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your
months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices
of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I *am* the
LORD your God.
11 ¶ And it came to pass on the twentieth *day* of the second month, in the second year,
that the cloud was taken up from off the tabernacle of the testimony.
12 And the children of Israel took their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the
cloud rested in the wilderness of Paran.
13 And they first took their journey according to the commandment of the LORD by the
hand of Moses.
14 ¶ In the first *place* went the standard of the camp of the children of Judah according to
their armies: and over his host *was* Nahshon the son of Amminadab.
15 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar *was* Nethaneel the son of Zuar.
16 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun *was* Eliab the son of Helon.
17 And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari
set forward, bearing the tabernacle.
18 ¶ And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their armies: and
over his host *was* Elizur the son of Shedeur.
19 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon *was* Shelumiel the son of
Zurishaddai.
20 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad *was* Eliasaph the son of Deuel.
21 And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and *the other* did set up the
tabernacle against they came.*
22 ¶ And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according to
their armies: and over his host *was* Elishama the son of Ammihud.
23 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh *was* Gamaliel the son of
Pedahzur.
24 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin *was* Abidan the son of
Gideoni.
25 ¶ And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, *which was* the
rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host *was* Ahiezer the son of
Ammishaddai.
26 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher *was* Pagiel the son of Ocran.
27 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali *was* Ahira the son of Enan.
28 Thus *were* the journeyings of the children of Israel according to their armies, when
they set forward.†
29 ¶ And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of Raguel the Midianite, Moses' father in law,
We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said, I will give it you: come thou with
us, and we will do thee good: for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel.
30 And he said unto him, I will not go; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my
kindred.
31 And he said, Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to
encamp in the wilderness, and thou mayest be to us instead of eyes.
32 And it shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what goodness the LORD shall
do unto us, the same will we do unto thee.
33 ¶ And they departed from the mount of the LORD three days' journey: and the ark
of the covenant of the LORD went before them in the three days' journey, to search out a
resting place for them.
34 And the cloud of the LORD *was* upon them by day, when they went out of the camp.
35 And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, Rise up, LORD, and let
thine enemies be scattered; and let them that hate thee flee before thee.
36 And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the many thousands of Israel.‡

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* **10:21** the other: that is, the Gershonites and the Merarites † **10:28** Thus: Heb. These ‡ **10:36** many thousands: Heb. ten thousand thousands

11

1 And *when* the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard *it;* and
his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed *them*
that were in the uttermost parts of the camp.*†
2 And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the LORD, the fire was
quenched.‡
3 And he called the name of the place Taberah: because the fire of the LORD burnt among
them.§
4 ¶ And the mixt multitude that *was* among them fell a lusting: and the children of Israel
also wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?**††
5 We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the
melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick:
6 But now our soul *is* dried away: *there is* nothing at all, beside this manna, *before* our
eyes.
7 And the manna *was* as coriander seed, and the colour thereof as the colour of
bdellium.‡‡
8 *And* the people went about, and gathered *it,* and ground *it* in mills, or beat *it* in a mortar,
and baked *it* in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil.
9 And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it.
10 ¶ Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door
of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.
11 And Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and
wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people
upon me?
12 Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto
me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land
which thou swarest unto their fathers?
13 Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying,
Give us flesh, that we may eat.
14 I am not able to bear all this people alone, because *it is* too heavy for me.
15 And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour
in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness.
16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel,
whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them
unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee.
17 And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which *is*
upon thee, and will put *it* upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with
thee, that thou bear *it* not thyself alone.
18 And say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat
flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for
it was well with us in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.
19 Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days;
20 *But* even a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto
you: because that ye have despised the LORD which *is* among you, and have wept before
him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?§§
21 And Moses said, The people, among whom I *am, are* six hundred thousand footmen;
and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.
22 Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of
the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?
23 And the LORD said unto Moses, Is the LORD's hand waxed short? thou shalt see now
whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not.
24 ¶ And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and gathered the
seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tabernacle.
25 And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that
was upon him, and gave *it* unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, *that*, when the spirit
rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease.

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* **11:1** complained: or, were as it were complainers † **11:1** it displeased: Heb. it was evil in the ears of ‡ **11:2** was...: Heb. sunk § **11:3** Taberah: that is, A burning ** **11:4** fell...: Heb. lusted a lust †† **11:4** wept...: Heb. returned and wept ‡‡ **11:7** colour thereof...: Heb. eye of it as the eye of §§ **11:20** whole...: Heb. month of days

26 But there remained two *of the* men in the camp, the name of the one *was* Eldad, and
the name of the other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they *were* of them that
were written, but went not out unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp.
27 And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy
in the camp.
28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, *one* of his young men, answered and
said, My lord Moses, forbid them.
29 And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? would God that all the LORD's
people were prophets, *and* that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!
30 And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.
31 ¶ And there went forth a wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the sea, and let
them fall by the camp, as it were a day's journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey
on the other side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits *high* upon the face of
the earth.***
32 And the people stood up all that day, and all *that* night, and all the next day, and they
gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread *them* all
abroad for themselves round about the camp.
33 And while the flesh *was* yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the
LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great
plague.
34 And he called the name of that place Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried the
people that lusted.†††
35 *And* the people journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah unto Hazeroth; and abode at
Hazeroth.‡‡‡

12

1 And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he
had married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.*†
2 And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? hath he not spoken also
by us? And the LORD heard *it*.
3 (Now the man Moses *was* very meek, above all the men which *were* upon the face of the
earth.)
4 And the LORD spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come
out ye three unto the tabernacle of the congregation. And they three came out.
5 And the LORD came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood *in* the door of the
tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth.
6 And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, *I* the LORD will
make myself known unto him in a vision, *and* will speak unto him in a dream.
7 My servant Moses *is* not so, who *is* faithful in all mine house.
8 With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and
the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak
against my servant Moses?
9 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them; and he departed.
10 And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam *became* leprous,
white as snow: and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, *she was* leprous.
11 And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us,
wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned.
12 Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of
his mother's womb.
13 And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee.
14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not
be ashamed seven days? let her be shut out from the camp seven days, and after that let
her be received in *again*.
15 And Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the people journeyed not till
Miriam was brought in *again*.
16 And afterward the people removed from Hazeroth, and pitched in the wilderness of
Paran.

*** **11:31** as it were a day's...: Heb. as it were the way of a day ††† **11:34** Kibroth-hattaavah: that is, The graves of lust ‡‡‡ **11:35** abode at: Heb. they were in * **12:1** Ethiopian: or, Cushite † **12:1** married: Heb. taken

13

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children
of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a ruler among them.
3 And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paran:
all those men *were* heads of the children of Israel.
4 And these *were* their names: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the son of Zaccur.
5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the son of Hori.
6 Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.
7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph.
8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, Oshea the son of Nun.*
9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu.
10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.
11 Of the tribe of Joseph, *namely*, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi.
12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli.
13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael.
14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi.
15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.
16 These *are* the names of the men which Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called
Oshea the son of Nun Jehoshua.†‡
17 ¶ And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, Get you up
this *way* southward, and go up into the mountain:
18 And see the land, what it *is;* and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they *be*
strong or weak, few or many;
19 And what the land *is* that they dwell in, whether it *be* good or bad; and what cities *they*
be that they dwell in, whether in tents, or in strong holds;
20 And what the land *is*, whether it *be* fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not.
And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time *was* the time of
the firstripe grapes.
21 ¶ So they went up, and searched the land from the wilderness of Zin unto Rehob, as
men come to Hamath.
22 And they ascended by the south, and came unto Hebron; where Ahiman, Sheshai, and
Talmai, the children of Anak, *were*. (Now Hebron was built seven years before Zoan in
Egypt.)
23 And they came unto the brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with
one cluster of grapes, and they bare it between two upon a staff; and *they brought* of the
pomegranates, and of the figs.§
24 The place was called the brook Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes which the
children of Israel cut down from thence.**††
25 And they returned from searching of the land after forty days.
26 ¶ And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the
children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word unto
them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land.
27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely
it floweth with milk and honey; and this *is* the fruit of it.
28 Nevertheless the people *be* strong that dwell in the land, and the cities *are* walled, *and*
very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there.
29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and
the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast
of Jordan.
30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess
it; for we are well able to overcome it.
31 But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people;
for they *are* stronger than we.
32 And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the
children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, *is* a land that
eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it *are* men of a great
stature.‡‡

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* **13:8** Oshea: also called, Joshua † **13:16** Oshea: also called Joshua ‡ **13:16** Jehoshua: or, Joshua § **13:23** brook: or, valley ** **13:24** brook: or, valley †† **13:24** Eshcol: that is, A cluster of grapes ‡‡ **13:32** men...: Heb. men of statures

33 And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, *which come* of the giants: and we were
in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

14

1 And all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.
2 And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the
whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or
would God we had died in this wilderness!
3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our
wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?
4 And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.
5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of
the children of Israel.
6 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *which were* of them that
searched the land, rent their clothes:
7 And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which
we passed through to search it, *is* an exceeding good land.
8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which
floweth with milk and honey.
9 Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they *are*
bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the LORD *is* with us: fear them not.*
10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of the LORD
appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel.
11 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long
will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?
12 I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a
greater nation and mightier than they.
13 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear *it*, (for thou broughtest
up this people in thy might from among them;)
14 And they will tell *it* to the inhabitants of this land: *for* they have heard that thou LORD
art among this people, that thou LORD art seen face to face, and *that* thy cloud standeth
over them, and *that* thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a
pillar of fire by night.
15 ¶ Now *if* thou shalt kill *all* this people as one man, then the nations which have heard
the fame of thee will speak, saying,
16 Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he sware unto
them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.
17 And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast
spoken, saying,
18 The LORD *is* longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression,
and by no means clearing *the guilty*, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children
unto the third and fourth *generation*.
19 Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy
mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now.†
20 And the LORD said, I have pardoned according to thy word:
21 But *as* truly *as* I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.
22 Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt
and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now these ten times, and have not hearkened
to my voice;
23 Surely they shall not see the land which I sware unto their fathers, neither shall any of
them that provoked me see it:‡
24 But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me
fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it.
25 (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) To morrow turn you, and
get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.
26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
27 How long *shall I bear with* this evil congregation, which murmur against me? I have
heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against me.
28 Say unto them, *As truly as* I live, saith the LORD, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so
will I do to you:

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* **14:9** defence: Heb. shadow † **14:19** until...: or, hitherto ‡ **14:23** Surely...: Heb. If they see the land

29 Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against me,
30 Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, *concerning* which I sware to make you dwell therein, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.§
31 But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised.
32 But *as for* you, your carcases, they shall fall in this wilderness.
33 And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness.**
34 After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, *even* forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, *even* forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise.††
35 I the LORD have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die.
36 And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,
37 Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD.
38 But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *which were* of the men that went to search the land, lived *still*.
39 And Moses told these sayings unto all the children of Israel: and the people mourned greatly.
40 ¶ And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we *be here*, and will go up unto the place which the LORD hath promised: for we have sinned.
41 And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the LORD? but it shall not prosper.
42 Go not up, for the LORD *is* not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies.
43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites *are* there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you.
44 But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp.
45 Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, *even* unto Hormah.

15

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land of your habitations, which I give unto you,
3 And will make an offering by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice in performing a vow, or in a freewill offering, or in your solemn feasts, to make a sweet savour unto the LORD, of the herd, or of the flock:*
4 Then shall he that offereth his offering unto the LORD bring a meat offering of a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth *part* of an hin of oil.
5 And the fourth *part* of an hin of wine for a drink offering shalt thou prepare with the burnt offering or sacrifice, for one lamb.
6 Or for a ram, thou shalt prepare *for* a meat offering two tenth deals of flour mingled with the third *part* of an hin of oil.
7 And for a drink offering thou shalt offer the third *part* of an hin of wine, *for* a sweet savour unto the LORD.
8 And when thou preparest a bullock *for* a burnt offering, or *for* a sacrifice in performing a vow, or peace offerings unto the LORD:
9 Then shall he bring with a bullock a meat offering of three tenth deals of flour mingled with half an hin of oil.
10 And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half an hin of wine, *for* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
11 Thus shall it be done for one bullock, or for one ram, or for a lamb, or a kid.

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§ **14:30** sware: Heb. lifted up my hand ** **14:33** wander: or, feed †† **14:34** breach...: or, altering of my purpose
* **15:3** performing: Heb. separating

12 According to the number that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to every one according
to their number.
13 All that are born of the country shall do these things after this manner, in offering an
offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever *be* among you in your generations,
and will offer an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; as ye do, so he
shall do.
15 One ordinance *shall be both* for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that
sojourneth *with you*, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye *are*, so shall the
stranger be before the LORD.
16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with
you.
17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
18 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land
whither I bring you,
19 Then it shall be, that, when ye eat of the bread of the land, ye shall offer up an heave
offering unto the LORD.
20 Ye shall offer up a cake of the first of your dough *for* an heave offering: as *ye do* the
heave offering of the threshingfloor, so shall ye heave it.
21 Of the first of your dough ye shall give unto the LORD an heave offering in your
generations.
22 ¶ And if ye have erred, and not observed all these commandments, which the LORD
hath spoken unto Moses,
23 *Even* all that the LORD hath commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the day that
the LORD commanded *Moses*, and henceforward among your generations;
24 Then it shall be, if *ought* be committed by ignorance without the knowledge of the
congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young bullock for a burnt offering,
for a sweet savour unto the LORD, with his meat offering, and his drink offering, according
to the manner, and one kid of the goats for a sin offering.†‡
25 And the priest shall make an atonement for all the congregation of the children of
Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it *is* ignorance: and they shall bring their offering,
a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their
ignorance:
26 And it shall be forgiven all the congregation of the children of Israel, and the stranger
that sojourneth among them; seeing all the people *were* in ignorance.
27 ¶ And if any soul sin through ignorance, then he shall bring a she goat of the first year
for a sin offering.
28 And the priest shall make an atonement for the soul that sinneth ignorantly, when
he sinneth by ignorance before the LORD, to make an atonement for him; and it shall be
forgiven him.
29 Ye shall have one law for him that sinneth through ignorance, *both for* him that is born
among the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them.§
30 ¶ But the soul that doeth *ought* presumptuously, *whether he be* born in the land, or a
stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from among his
people.**
31 Because he hath despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment,
that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity *shall be* upon him.
32 ¶ And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man that
gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.
33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto
all the congregation.
34 And they put him in ward, because it was not declared what should be done to him.
35 And the LORD said unto Moses, The man shall be surely put to death: all the
congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp.
36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones,
and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses.
37 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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† **15:24** without...: Heb. from the eyes ‡ **15:24** manner: or, ordinance § **15:29** sinneth: Heb. doth ** **15:30** presumptuously: Heb. with an high hand

38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the
borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe
of the borders a ribband of blue:
39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the
commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye seek not after your own heart and
your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:
40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.
41 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I
am the LORD your God.

16

1 Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram,
the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took *men:*
2 And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and
fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown:
3 And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto
them, *Ye take* too much upon you, seeing all the congregation *are* holy, every one of them,
and the LORD *is* among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation
of the LORD?*
4 And when Moses heard *it*, he fell upon his face:
5 And he spake unto Korah and unto all his company, saying, Even to morrow the LORD
will shew who *are* his, and *who is* holy; and will cause *him* to come near unto him: even
him whom he hath chosen will he cause to come near unto him.
6 This do; Take you censers, Korah, and all his company;
7 And put fire therein, and put incense in them before the LORD to morrow: and it shall
be *that* the man whom the LORD doth choose, he *shall be* holy: *ye take* too much upon you,
ye sons of Levi.
8 And Moses said unto Korah, Hear, I pray you, ye sons of Levi:
9 *Seemeth it but* a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel hath separated you from
the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself to do the service of the tabernacle
of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them?
10 And he hath brought thee near *to him*, and all thy brethren the sons of Levi with thee:
and seek ye the priesthood also?
11 For which cause *both* thou and all thy company *are* gathered together against the
LORD: and what *is* Aaron, that ye murmur against him?
12 ¶ And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab: which said, We will not
come up:
13 *Is it* a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of a land that floweth with milk and
honey, to kill us in the wilderness, except thou make thyself altogether a prince over us?
14 Moreover thou hast not brought us into a land that floweth with milk and honey, or
given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: wilt thou put out the eyes of these men? we
will not come up.†
15 And Moses was very wroth, and said unto the LORD, Respect not thou their offering: I
have not taken one ass from them, neither have I hurt one of them.
16 And Moses said unto Korah, Be thou and all thy company before the LORD, thou, and
they, and Aaron, to morrow:
17 And take every man his censer, and put incense in them, and bring ye before the LORD
every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; thou also, and Aaron, each *of you* his
censer.
18 And they took every man his censer, and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon,
and stood in the door of the tabernacle of the congregation with Moses and Aaron.
19 And Korah gathered all the congregation against them unto the door of the tabernacle
of the congregation: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the congregation.
20 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
21 Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a
moment.
22 And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall
one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation?
23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

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* **16:3** Ye take...: Heb. It is much for you † **16:14** put...: Heb. bore out

24 Speak unto the congregation, saying, Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah,
Dathan, and Abiram.
25 And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel
followed him.
26 And he spake unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these
wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their sins.
27 So they gat up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side: and
Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood in the door of their tents, and their wives, and
their sons, and their little children.
28 And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works;
for *I have* not *done them* of mine own mind.
29 If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation
of all men; *then* the LORD hath not sent me.‡
30 But if the LORD make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them
up, with all that *appertain* unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall
understand that these men have provoked the LORD.§
31 ¶ And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the
ground clave asunder that *was* under them:
32 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all
the men that *appertained* unto Korah, and all *their* goods.
33 They, and all that *appertained* to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth
closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.
34 And all Israel that *were* round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest
the earth swallow us up *also*.
35 And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty
men that offered incense.
36 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
37 Speak unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the
burning, and scatter thou the fire yonder; for they are hallowed.
38 The censers of these sinners against their own souls, let them make them broad plates
for a covering of the altar: for they offered them before the LORD, therefore they are
hallowed: and they shall be a sign unto the children of Israel.
39 And Eleazar the priest took the brasen censers, wherewith they that were burnt had
offered; and they were made broad *plates for* a covering of the altar:
40 *To be* a memorial unto the children of Israel, that no stranger, which *is* not of the seed
of Aaron, come near to offer incense before the LORD; that he be not as Korah, and as his
company: as the LORD said to him by the hand of Moses.
41 ¶ But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against
Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the LORD.
42 And it came to pass, when the congregation was gathered against Moses and against
Aaron, that they looked toward the tabernacle of the congregation: and, behold, the cloud
covered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared.
43 And Moses and Aaron came before the tabernacle of the congregation.
44 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
45 Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment.
And they fell upon their faces.
46 ¶ And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and
put on incense, and go quickly unto the congregation, and make an atonement for them:
for there is wrath gone out from the LORD; the plague is begun.
47 And Aaron took as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the congregation;
and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on incense, and made an
atonement for the people.
48 And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed.
49 Now they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, beside
them that died about the matter of Korah.
50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:
and the plague was stayed.

17

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

‡ **16:29** the common...: Heb. as every man dieth § **16:30** make...: Heb. create a creature

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of every one of them a rod according to the
house of *their* fathers, of all their princes according to the house of their fathers twelve
rods: write thou every man's name upon his rod.
3 And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod *shall be* for the
head of the house of their fathers.
4 And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation before the testimony,
where I will meet with you.
5 And it shall come to pass, *that* the man's rod, whom I shall choose, shall blossom: and
I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, whereby they
murmur against you.
6 ¶ And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, and every one of their princes gave him
a rod apiece, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, *even* twelve rods: and
the rod of Aaron *was* among their rods.*
7 And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in the tabernacle of witness.
8 And it came to pass, that on the morrow Moses went into the tabernacle of witness; and,
behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and
bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds.
9 And Moses brought out all the rods from before the LORD unto all the children of Israel:
and they looked, and took every man his rod.
10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Bring Aaron's rod again before the testimony, to be
kept for a token against the rebels; and thou shalt quite take away their murmurings from
me, that they die not.†
11 And Moses did *so:* as the LORD commanded him, so did he.
12 And the children of Israel spake unto Moses, saying, Behold, we die, we perish, we all
perish.
13 Whosoever cometh any thing near unto the tabernacle of the LORD shall die: shall we
be consumed with dying?

18

1 And the LORD said unto Aaron, Thou and thy sons and thy father's house with thee shall
bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee shall bear the iniquity
of your priesthood.
2 And thy brethren also of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy father, bring thou with thee,
that they may be joined unto thee, and minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee
shall minister before the tabernacle of witness.
3 And they shall keep thy charge, and the charge of all the tabernacle: only they shall not
come nigh the vessels of the sanctuary and the altar, that neither they, nor ye also, die.
4 And they shall be joined unto thee, and keep the charge of the tabernacle of the
congregation, for all the service of the tabernacle: and a stranger shall not come nigh unto
you.
5 And ye shall keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar: that there be
no wrath any more upon the children of Israel.
6 And I, behold, I have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel:
to you *they are* given *as* a gift for the LORD, to do the service of the tabernacle of the
congregation.
7 Therefore thou and thy sons with thee shall keep your priest's office for every thing of
the altar, and within the vail; and ye shall serve: I have given your priest's office *unto you*
as a service of gift: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.
8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Behold, I also have given thee the charge of mine
heave offerings of all the hallowed things of the children of Israel; unto thee have I given
them by reason of the anointing, and to thy sons, by an ordinance for ever.
9 This shall be thine of the most holy things, *reserved* from the fire: every oblation of
theirs, every meat offering of theirs, and every sin offering of theirs, and every trespass
offering of theirs, which they shall render unto me, *shall be* most holy for thee and for thy
sons.
10 In the most holy *place* shalt thou eat it; every male shall eat it: it shall be holy unto thee.
11 And this *is* thine; the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the
children of Israel: I have given them unto thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with
thee, by a statute for ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.

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* **17:6** a rod...: Heb. a rod for one prince, a rod for one prince † **17:10** rebels: Heb. children of rebellion

12 All the best of the oil, and all the best of the wine, and of the wheat, the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto the LORD, them have I given thee.*
13 *And* whatsoever is first ripe in the land, which they shall bring unto the LORD, shall be thine; every one that is clean in thine house shall eat *of* it.
14 Every thing devoted in Israel shall be thine.
15 Every thing that openeth the matrix in all flesh, which they bring unto the LORD, *whether it be* of men or beasts, shall be thine: nevertheless the firstborn of man shalt thou surely redeem, and the firstling of unclean beasts shalt thou redeem.
16 And those that are to be redeemed from a month old shalt thou redeem, according to thine estimation, for the money of five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, which *is* twenty gerahs.
17 But the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheep, or the firstling of a goat, thou shalt not redeem; they *are* holy: thou shalt sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shalt burn their fat *for* an offering made by fire, for a sweet savour unto the LORD.
18 And the flesh of them shall be thine, as the wave breast and as the right shoulder are thine.
19 All the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto the LORD, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: it *is* a covenant of salt for ever before the LORD unto thee and to thy seed with thee.
20 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou have any part among them: I *am* thy part and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.
21 And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve, *even* the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.
22 Neither must the children of Israel henceforth come nigh the tabernacle of the congregation, lest they bear sin, and die.†
23 But the Levites shall do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they shall bear their iniquity: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the children of Israel they have no inheritance.
24 But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer *as* an heave offering unto the LORD, I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.
25 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
26 Thus speak unto the Levites, and say unto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up an heave offering of it for the LORD, *even* a tenth *part* of the tithe.
27 And *this* your heave offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though *it were* the corn of the threshingfloor, and as the fulness of the winepress.
28 Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto the LORD of all your tithes, which ye receive of the children of Israel; and ye shall give thereof the LORD's heave offering to Aaron the priest.
29 Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of the LORD, of all the best thereof, *even* the hallowed part thereof out of it.‡
30 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, When ye have heaved the best thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto the Levites as the increase of the threshingfloor, and as the increase of the winepress.§
31 And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households: for it *is* your reward for your service in the tabernacle of the congregation.
32 And ye shall bear no sin by reason of it, when ye have heaved from it the best of it: neither shall ye pollute the holy things of the children of Israel, lest ye die.

19

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,
2 This *is* the ordinance of the law which the LORD hath commanded, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer without spot, wherein *is* no blemish, *and* upon which never came yoke:
3 And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, that he may bring her forth without the camp, and *one* shall slay her before his face:

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* **18:12** best: Heb. fat † **18:22** and die: Heb. to die ‡ **18:29** best: Heb. fat § **18:30** best: Heb. fat

4 And Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle of her blood
directly before the tabernacle of the congregation seven times:
5 And *one* shall burn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with
her dung, shall he burn:
6 And the priest shall take cedar wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast *it* into the midst
of the burning of the heifer.
7 Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and
afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the even.
8 And he that burneth her shall wash his clothes in water, and bathe his flesh in water,
and shall be unclean until the even.
9 And a man *that is* clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay *them* up without
the camp in a clean place, and it shall be kept for the congregation of the children of Israel
for a water of separation: it *is* a purification for sin.
10 And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean
until the even: and it shall be unto the children of Israel, and unto the stranger that
sojourneth among them, for a statute for ever.

11 ¶ He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days.*
12 He shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be
clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean.
13 Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead, and purifieth not himself,
defileth the tabernacle of the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the
water of separation was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness *is*
yet upon him.
14 This *is* the law, when a man dieth in a tent: all that come into the tent, and all that *is* in
the tent, shall be unclean seven days.
15 And every open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it, *is* unclean.
16 And whosoever toucheth one that is slain with a sword in the open fields, or a dead
body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.
17 And for an unclean *person* they shall take of the ashes of the burnt heifer of
purification for sin, and running water shall be put thereto in a vessel:†‡
18 And a clean person shall take hyssop, and dip *it* in the water, and sprinkle *it* upon the
tent, and upon all the vessels, and upon the persons that were there, and upon him that
touched a bone, or one slain, or one dead, or a grave:
19 And the clean *person* shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on the
seventh day: and on the seventh day he shall purify himself, and wash his clothes, and
bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at even.
20 But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut
off from among the congregation, because he hath defiled the sanctuary of the LORD: the
water of separation hath not been sprinkled upon him; he *is* unclean.
21 And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them, that he that sprinkleth the water of
separation shall wash his clothes; and he that toucheth the water of separation shall be
unclean until even.
22 And whatsoever the unclean *person* toucheth shall be unclean; and the soul that
toucheth *it* shall be unclean until even.

20

1 Then came the children of Israel, *even* the whole congregation, into the desert of Zin in
the first month: and the people abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried
there.
2 And there was no water for the congregation: and they gathered themselves together
against Moses and against Aaron.
3 And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when
our brethren died before the LORD!
4 And why have ye brought up the congregation of the LORD into this wilderness, that
we and our cattle should die there?
5 And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil
place? it *is* no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither *is* there any
water to drink.

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* **19:11** man: Heb. soul of man † **19:17** ashes: Heb. dust ‡ **19:17** running...: Heb. living waters shall be given

6 And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the
tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon their faces: and the glory of the LORD
appeared unto them.
7 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
8 Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and
speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt
bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their
beasts drink.
9 And Moses took the rod from before the LORD, as he commanded him.
10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said
unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?
11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water
came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts *also*.
12 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me not, to sanctify
me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into
the land which I have given them.
13 This *is* the water of Meribah; because the children of Israel strove with the LORD, and
he was sanctified in them.*
14 ¶ And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom, Thus saith thy
brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travail that hath befallen us:†
15 How our fathers went down into Egypt, and we have dwelt in Egypt a long time; and
the Egyptians vexed us, and our fathers:
16 And when we cried unto the LORD, he heard our voice, and sent an angel, and hath
brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we *are* in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy
border:
17 Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass through the fields, or
through the vineyards, neither will we drink *of* the water of the wells: we will go by the
king's *high* way, we will not turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy
borders.
18 And Edom said unto him, Thou shalt not pass by me, lest I come out against thee with
the sword.
19 And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go by the high way: and if I and my
cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay for it: I will only, without *doing* any thing *else*, go
through on my feet.
20 And he said, Thou shalt not go through. And Edom came out against him with much
people, and with a strong hand.
21 Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border: wherefore Israel turned
away from him.
22 ¶ And the children of Israel, *even* the whole congregation, journeyed from Kadesh, and
came unto mount Hor.
23 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the coast of the land of
Edom, saying,
24 Aaron shall be gathered unto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I
have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my word at the water
of Meribah.‡
25 Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up unto mount Hor:
26 And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall
be gathered *unto his people*, and shall die there.
27 And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight
of all the congregation.
28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and
Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down from the
mount.
29 And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they mourned for Aaron
thirty days, *even* all the house of Israel.

21

1 And *when* king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south, heard tell that Israel came
by the way of the spies; then he fought against Israel, and took *some* of them prisoners.

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* **20:13** Meribah: that is, Strife † **20:14** befallen...: Heb. found us ‡ **20:24** word: Heb. mouth

2 And Israel vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt indeed deliver this people
into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities.
3 And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Israel, and delivered up the Canaanites; and
they utterly destroyed them and their cities: and he called the name of the place Hormah.*
4 ¶ And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to compass the land
of Edom: and the soul of the people was much discouraged because of the way.†
5 And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us
up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for *there is* no bread, neither *is there any* water;
and our soul loatheth this light bread.
6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much
people of Israel died.
7 ¶ Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken
against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents
from us. And Moses prayed for the people.
8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it
shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.
9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a
serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.
10 ¶ And the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in Oboth.
11 And they journeyed from Oboth, and pitched at Ije-abarim, in the wilderness which *is*
before Moab, toward the sunrising.‡
12 ¶ From thence they removed, and pitched in the valley of Zared.
13 From thence they removed, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, which *is* in the
wilderness that cometh out of the coasts of the Amorites: for Arnon *is* the border of Moab,
between Moab and the Amorites.
14 Wherefore it is said in the book of the wars of the LORD, What he did in the Red sea,
and in the brooks of Arnon,§
15 And at the stream of the brooks that goeth down to the dwelling of Ar, and lieth upon
the border of Moab.**
16 And from thence *they went* to Beer: that *is* the well whereof the LORD spake unto
Moses, Gather the people together, and I will give them water.
17 ¶ Then Israel sang this song, Spring up, O well; sing ye unto it:††‡‡
18 The princes digged the well, the nobles of the people digged it, by *the direction of* the
lawgiver, with their staves. And from the wilderness *they went* to Mattanah:
19 And from Mattanah to Nahaliel: and from Nahaliel to Bamoth:
20 And from Bamoth *in* the valley, that *is* in the country of Moab, to the top of Pisgah,
which looketh toward Jeshimon.§§***†††
21 ¶ And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, saying,
22 Let me pass through thy land: we will not turn into the fields, or into the vineyards;
we will not drink *of* the waters of the well: *but* we will go along by the king's *high* way, until
we be past thy borders.
23 And Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border: but Sihon gathered all
his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness: and he came to Jahaz,
and fought against Israel.
24 And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land from Arnon
unto Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon: for the border of the children of Ammon
was strong.
25 And Israel took all these cities: and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in
Heshbon, and in all the villages thereof.‡‡‡
26 For Heshbon *was* the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against
the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even unto Arnon.
27 Wherefore they that speak in proverbs say, Come into Heshbon, let the city of Sihon be
built and prepared:
28 For there is a fire gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon: it hath consumed
Ar of Moab, *and* the lords of the high places of Arnon.

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* **21:3** Hormah: that is, Utter destruction † **21:4** discouraged: or, grieved: Heb. shortened ‡ **21:11** Ije-abarim: or, heaps of Abarim § **21:14** What...: or, Vaheb in Suphah ** **21:15** lieth: Heb. leaneth †† **21:17** Spring...: Heb. Ascend ‡‡ **21:17** sing: or, answer §§ **21:20** country: Heb. field *** **21:20** Pisgah: or, the hill ††† **21:20** Jeshimon: or, the wilderness ‡‡‡ **21:25** villages: Heb. daughters

29 Woe to thee, Moab! thou art undone, O people of Chemosh: he hath given his sons that
escaped, and his daughters, into captivity unto Sihon king of the Amorites.
30 We have shot at them; Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon, and we have laid them
waste even unto Nophah, which *reacheth* unto Medeba.
31 ¶ Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.
32 And Moses sent to spy out Jaazer, and they took the villages thereof, and drove out the
Amorites that *were* there.
33 ¶ And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went
out against them, he, and all his people, to the battle at Edrei.
34 And the LORD said unto Moses, Fear him not: for I have delivered him into thy hand,
and all his people, and his land; and thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of
the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.
35 So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him alive:
and they possessed his land.

22

1 And the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the plains of Moab on this side
Jordan *by* Jericho.
2 ¶ And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites.
3 And Moab was sore afraid of the people, because they *were* many: and Moab was
distressed because of the children of Israel.
4 And Moab said unto the elders of Midian, Now shall this company lick up all *that are*
round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor *was*
king of the Moabites at that time.
5 He sent messengers therefore unto Balaam the son of Beor to Pethor, which *is* by the
river of the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people
come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the face of the earth, and they abide over against
me:*
6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people; for they *are* too mighty for me:
peradventure I shall prevail, *that* we may smite them, and *that* I may drive them out of the
land: for I wot that he whom thou blessest *is* blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed.
7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of
divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of
Balak.
8 And he said unto them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as the
LORD shall speak unto me: and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam.
9 And God came unto Balaam, and said, What men *are* these with thee?
10 And Balaam said unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me,
saying,
11 Behold, *there is* a people come out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come
now, curse me them; peradventure I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.†
12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the
people: for they *are* blessed.
13 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, Get you into
your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave to go with you.
14 And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, Balaam refuseth
to come with us.
15 ¶ And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honourable than they.
16 And they came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus saith Balak the son of Zippor, Let
nothing, I pray thee, hinder thee from coming unto me:‡
17 For I will promote thee unto very great honour, and I will do whatsoever thou sayest
unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people.
18 And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his
house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less
or more.
19 Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the LORD
will say unto me more.
20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, If the men come to call thee,
rise up, *and* go with them; but yet the word which I shall say unto thee, that shalt thou do.

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* **22:5** face: Heb. eye † **22:11** I shall...: Heb. I shall prevail in fighting against him ‡ **22:16** Let...: Heb. Be not thou hindered from, etc

21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of
Moab.
22 ¶ And God's anger was kindled because he went: and the angel of the LORD stood in the
way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants
were with him.
23 And the ass saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his
hand: and the ass turned aside out of the way, and went into the field: and Balaam smote
the ass, to turn her into the way.
24 But the angel of the LORD stood in a path of the vineyards, a wall *being* on this side,
and a wall on that side.
25 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she thrust herself unto the wall, and
crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he smote her again.
26 And the angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow place, where *was* no
way to turn either to the right hand or to the left.
27 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under Balaam: and
Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff.
28 And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I
done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?
29 And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a
sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee.
30 And the ass said unto Balaam, *Am* not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever
since *I was* thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee? And he said, Nay.§**
31 Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing
in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on
his face.††
32 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these
three times? behold, I went out to withstand thee, because *thy* way is perverse before me:‡‡
33 And the ass saw me, and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned
from me, surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive.
34 And Balaam said unto the angel of the LORD, I have sinned; for I knew not that thou
stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it displease thee, I will get me back
again.§§
35 And the angel of the LORD said unto Balaam, Go with the men: but only the word that
I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak. So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.
36 ¶ And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went out to meet him unto a city
of Moab, which *is* in the border of Arnon, which *is* in the utmost coast.
37 And Balak said unto Balaam, Did I not earnestly send unto thee to call thee? wherefore
camest thou not unto me? am I not able indeed to promote thee to honour?
38 And Balaam said unto Balak, Lo, I am come unto thee: have I now any power at all to
say any thing? the word that God putteth in my mouth, that shall I speak.
39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they came unto Kirjath-huzoth.***
40 And Balak offered oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that *were*
with him.
41 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into
the high places of Baal, that thence he might see the utmost *part* of the people.

23

1 And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven
oxen and seven rams.
2 And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on *every* altar a
bullock and a ram.
3 And Balaam said unto Balak, Stand by thy burnt offering, and I will go: peradventure
the LORD will come to meet me: and whatsoever he sheweth me I will tell thee. And he
went to an high place.*
4 And God met Balaam: and he said unto him, I have prepared seven altars, and I have
offered upon *every* altar a bullock and a ram.

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§ **22:30** upon...: Heb. who hast ridden upon me ** **22:30** ever since...: or, ever since thou wast, etc †† **22:31** fell...: or, bowed himself ‡‡ **22:32** to...: Heb. to be an adversary unto thee §§ **22:34** displease...: Heb. be evil in thine eyes *** **22:39** Kirjath-huzoth: or, a city of streets * **23:3** to an...: or, solitary

5 And the LORD put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus
thou shalt speak.
6 And he returned unto him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt sacrifice, he, and all the princes
of Moab.
7 And he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from
Aram, out of the mountains of the east, *saying*, Come, curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel.
8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy, *whom* the LORD hath
not defied?
9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people
shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations.
10 Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth *part* of Israel? Let me
die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!†
11 And Balak said unto Balaam, What hast thou done unto me? I took thee to curse mine
enemies, and, behold, thou hast blessed *them* altogether.
12 And he answered and said, Must I not take heed to speak that which the LORD hath
put in my mouth?
13 And Balak said unto him, Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence
thou mayest see them: thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not see them
all: and curse me them from thence.
14 ¶ And he brought him into the field of Zophim, to the top of Pisgah, and built seven
altars, and offered a bullock and a ram on *every* altar.‡
15 And he said unto Balak, Stand here by thy burnt offering, while I meet *the* LORD yonder.
16 And the LORD met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, Go again unto Balak,
and say thus.
17 And when he came to him, behold, he stood by his burnt offering, and the princes of
Moab with him. And Balak said unto him, What hath the LORD spoken?
18 And he took up his parable, and said, Rise up, Balak, and hear; hearken unto me, thou
son of Zippor:
19 God *is* not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath
he said, and shall he not do *it*? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?
20 Behold, I have received *commandment* to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot
reverse it.
21 He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen perverseness in Israel: the
LORD his God *is* with him, and the shout of a king *is* among them.
22 God brought them out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength of an unicorn.
23 Surely *there is* no enchantment against Jacob, neither *is there* any divination against
Israel: according to this time it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, What hath God
wrought!§
24 Behold, the people shall rise up as a great lion, and lift up himself as a young lion: he
shall not lie down until he eat *of* the prey, and drink the blood of the slain.
25 ¶ And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all.
26 But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee, saying, All that the LORD
speaketh, that I must do?
27 ¶ And Balak said unto Balaam, Come, I pray thee, I will bring thee unto another place;
peradventure it will please God that thou mayest curse me them from thence.
28 And Balak brought Balaam unto the top of Peor, that looketh toward Jeshimon.
29 And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven
bullocks and seven rams.
30 And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered a bullock and a ram on *every* altar.

24

1 And when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he went not, as at other
times, to seek for enchantments, but he set his face toward the wilderness.*
2 And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel abiding *in his tents* according to their
tribes; and the spirit of God came upon him.
3 And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man
whose eyes are open hath said:†
4 He hath said, which heard the words of God, which saw the vision of the Almighty,
falling *into a trance*, but having his eyes open:

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† **23:10** me: Heb. my soul, or, my life ‡ **23:14** Pisgah: or, the hill § **23:23** against: or, in * **24:1** to seek...: Heb. to the meeting of † **24:3** whose...: Heb. who had his eyes shut, but now opened

5 How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, *and* thy tabernacles, O Israel!
6 As the valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river's side, as the trees of lign aloes which the LORD hath planted, *and* as cedar trees beside the waters.
7 He shall pour the water out of his buckets, and his seed *shall be* in many waters, and his king shall be higher than Agag, and his kingdom shall be exalted.
8 God brought him forth out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength of an unicorn: he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and shall break their bones, and pierce *them* through with his arrows.
9 He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall stir him up? Blessed *is* he that blesseth thee, and cursed *is* he that curseth thee.
10 ¶ And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he smote his hands together: and Balak said unto Balaam, I called thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed *them* these three times.
11 Therefore now flee thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee unto great honour; but, lo, the LORD hath kept thee back from honour.
12 And Balaam said unto Balak, Spake I not also to thy messengers which thou sentest unto me, saying,
13 If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the commandment of the LORD, to do *either* good or bad of mine own mind; *but* what the LORD saith, that will I speak?
14 And now, behold, I go unto my people: come *therefore, and* I will advertise thee what this people shall do to thy people in the latter days.
15 ¶ And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said:
16 He hath said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most High, *which* saw the vision of the Almighty, falling *into a trance*, but having his eyes open:
17 I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.‡
18 And Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession for his enemies; and Israel shall do valiantly.
19 Out of Jacob shall come he that shall have dominion, and shall destroy him that remaineth of the city.
20 ¶ And when he looked on Amalek, he took up his parable, and said, Amalek *was* the first of the nations; but his latter end *shall be* that he perish for ever.§**
21 And he looked on the Kenites, and took up his parable, and said, Strong is thy dwellingplace, and thou puttest thy nest in a rock.
22 Nevertheless the Kenite shall be wasted, until Asshur shall carry thee away captive.††‡‡
23 And he took up his parable, and said, Alas, who shall live when God doeth this!
24 And ships *shall come* from the coast of Chittim, and shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict Eber, and he also shall perish for ever.
25 And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place: and Balak also went his way.

25

1 And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.
2 And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods.
3 And Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.
4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.
5 And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, Slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baal-peor.
6 ¶ And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who *were* weeping *before* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

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‡ **24:17** smite...: or, smite through the princes of § **24:20** the nations: the nations that warred against Israel ** **24:20** that...: or, even to destruction †† **24:22** the Kenite: Heb. Kain ‡‡ **24:22** until...: or, how long shall it be ere Asshur carry thee away captive

7 And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw *it*, he rose up
from among the congregation, and took a javelin in his hand;
8 And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through,
the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. So the plague was stayed from the
children of Israel.
9 And those that died in the plague were twenty and four thousand.
10 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
11 Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned my wrath away
from the children of Israel, while he was zealous for my sake among them, that I consumed
not the children of Israel in my jealousy.*
12 Wherefore say, Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace:
13 And he shall have it, and his seed after him, *even* the covenant of an everlasting
priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and made an atonement for the children
of Israel.
14 Now the name of the Israelite that was slain, *even* that was slain with the Midianitish
woman, *was* Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince of a chief house among the Simeonites.†
15 And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain *was* Cozbi, the daughter of Zur;
he *was* head over a people, *and* of a chief house in Midian.
16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
17 Vex the Midianites, and smite them:
18 For they vex you with their wiles, wherewith they have beguiled you in the matter of
Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian, their sister, which was
slain in the day of the plague for Peor's sake.

26

1 And it came to pass after the plague, that the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Eleazar
the son of Aaron the priest, saying,
2 Take the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, from twenty years old and
upward, throughout their fathers' house, all that are able to go to war in Israel.
3 And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near*
Jericho, saying,
4 *Take the sum of the people*, from twenty years old and upward; as the LORD commanded
Moses and the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt.
5 ¶ Reuben, the eldest son of Israel: the children of Reuben; Hanoch, *of whom cometh* the
family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Palluites:
6 Of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.
7 These *are* the families of the Reubenites: and they that were numbered of them were
forty and three thousand and seven hundred and thirty.
8 And the sons of Pallu; Eliab.
9 And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This *is that* Dathan and
Abiram, *which were* famous in the congregation, who strove against Moses and against
Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against the LORD:
10 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when
that company died, what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they
became a sign.
11 Notwithstanding the children of Korah died not.
12 ¶ The sons of Simeon after their families: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites: of
Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites:*†
13 Of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites: of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.‡
14 These *are* the families of the Simeonites, twenty and two thousand and two hundred.
15 ¶ The children of Gad after their families: of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: of
Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni, the family of the Shunites:§
16 Of Ozni, the family of the Oznites: of Eri, the family of the Erites:**
17 Of Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Areli, the family of the Arelites.††
18 These *are* the families of the children of Gad according to those that were numbered
of them, forty thousand and five hundred.
19 ¶ The sons of Judah *were* Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.

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* **25:11** for...: Heb. with my zeal † **25:14** chief...: Heb. house of a father * **26:12** Nemuel: also called, Jemuel † **26:12** Jachin: also called, Jarib ‡ **26:13** Zerah: also called, Zohar § **26:15** Zephon: also called, Ziphion ** **26:16** Ozni: also called, Ezbon †† **26:17** Arod: also called, Arodi

20 And the sons of Judah after their families were; of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites:
of Pharez, the family of the Pharzites: of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.
21 And the sons of Pharez were; of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Hamul, the
family of the Hamulites.
22 These *are* the families of Judah according to those that were numbered of them,
threescore and sixteen thousand and five hundred.
23 ¶ *Of* the sons of Issachar after their families: *of* Tola, the family of the Tolaites: of Pua,
the family of the Punites:‡‡
24 Of Jashub, the family of the Jashubites: of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites.§§
25 These *are* the families of Issachar according to those that were numbered of them,
threescore and four thousand and three hundred.
26 ¶ *Of* the sons of Zebulun after their families: of Sered, the family of the Sardites: of
Elon, the family of the Elonites: of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.
27 These *are* the families of the Zebulunites according to those that were numbered of
them, threescore thousand and five hundred.
28 ¶ The sons of Joseph after their families *were* Manasseh and Ephraim.
29 Of the sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the Machirites: and Machir begat
Gilead: of Gilead *come* the family of the Gileadites.
30 These *are* the sons of Gilead: *of* Jeezer, the family of the Jeezerites: of Helek, the family
of the Helekites:***
31 And *of* Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and *of* Shechem, the family of the
Shechemites:
32 And *of* Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites: and *of* Hepher, the family of the
Hepherites.
33 ¶ And Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but daughters: and the names of the
daughters of Zelophehad *were* Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.
34 These *are* the families of Manasseh, and those that were numbered of them, fifty and
two thousand and seven hundred.
35 ¶ These *are* the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of
the Shuthalhites: of Becher, the family of the Bachrites: of Tahan, the family of the
Tahanites.†††
36 And these *are* the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites.
37 These *are* the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those that were numbered
of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These *are* the sons of Joseph after their
families.
38 ¶ The sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites: of
Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: of Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites:‡‡‡
39 Of Shupham, the family of the Shuphamites: of Hupham, the family of the
Huphamites.§§§
40 And the sons of Bela were Ard and Naaman: *of Ard*, the family of the Ardites: *and* of
Naaman, the family of the Naamites.*
41 These *are* the sons of Benjamin after their families: and they that were numbered of
them *were* forty and five thousand and six hundred.
42 ¶ These *are* the sons of Dan after their families: of Shuham, the family of the
Shuhamites. These *are* the families of Dan after their families.†
43 All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbered of them,
were threescore and four thousand and four hundred.
44 ¶ *Of* the children of Asher after their families: of Jimna, the family of the Jimnites: of
Jesui, the family of the Jesuites: of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.
45 Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the family of
the Malchielites.
46 And the name of the daughter of Asher *was* Sarah.
47 These *are* the families of the sons of Asher according to those that were numbered of
them; *who were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.
48 ¶ *Of* the sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites:
of Guni, the family of the Gunites:
49 Of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.‡

‡‡ **26:23** Pua: or, Phuvah §§ **26:24** Jashub: or, Job *** **26:30** Jeezer: also called Abiezer ††† **26:35** Becher: also called, Bered ‡‡‡ **26:38** Ahiram: also called, Ehi, or, Aharah §§§ **26:39** Shupham...Hupham: also called, Muppim and Huppim * **26:40** Ard: also called, Addar † **26:42** Shuham: or, Hushim ‡ **26:49** Shillem: also called, Shallum

50 These *are* the families of Naphtali according to their families: and they that were
numbered of them *were* forty and five thousand and four hundred.
51 These *were* the numbered of the children of Israel, six hundred thousand and a
thousand seven hundred and thirty.
52 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
53 Unto these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of
names.
54 To many thou shalt give the more inheritance, and to few thou shalt give the less
inheritance: to every one shall his inheritance be given according to those that were
numbered of him.§**
55 Notwithstanding the land shall be divided by lot: according to the names of the tribes
of their fathers they shall inherit.
56 According to the lot shall the possession thereof be divided between many and few.
57 ¶ And these *are* they that were numbered of the Levites after their families: of
Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of Merari,
the family of the Merarites.
58 These *are* the families of the Levites: the family of the Libnites, the family of the
Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the
Korathites. And Kohath begat Amram.
59 And the name of Amram's wife *was* Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, whom *her mother*
bare to Levi in Egypt: and she bare unto Amram Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister.
60 And unto Aaron was born Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
61 And Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before the LORD.
62 And those that were numbered of them were twenty and three thousand, all males
from a month old and upward: for they were not numbered among the children of Israel,
because there was no inheritance given them among the children of Israel.
63 ¶ These *are* they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered
the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.
64 But among these there was not a man of them whom Moses and Aaron the priest
numbered, when they numbered the children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai.
65 For the LORD had said of them, They shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was
not left a man of them, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun.

27

1 Then came the daughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son
of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph: and these
are the names of his daughters; Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.
2 And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and
all the congregation, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,
3 Our father died in the wilderness, and he was not in the company of them that gathered
themselves together against the LORD in the company of Korah; but died in his own sin,
and had no sons.
4 Why should the name of our father be done away from among his family, because he
hath no son? Give unto us *therefore* a possession among the brethren of our father.*
5 And Moses brought their cause before the LORD.
6 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
7 The daughters of Zelophehad speak right: thou shalt surely give them a possession of
an inheritance among their father's brethren; and thou shalt cause the inheritance of their
father to pass unto them.
8 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die, and have no son,
then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter.
9 And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren.
10 And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's
brethren.
11 And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his kinsman
that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of
Israel a statute of judgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.
12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Get thee up into this mount Abarim, and see the land
which I have given unto the children of Israel.

§ **26:54** give the more...: Heb. multiply his inheritance ** **26:54** give the less...: Heb. diminish his inheritance
* **27:4** done...: Heb. diminished

13 And when thou hast seen it, thou also shalt be gathered unto thy people, as Aaron thy
brother was gathered.
14 For ye rebelled against my commandment in the desert of Zin, in the strife of the
congregation, to sanctify me at the water before their eyes: that *is* the water of Meribah
in Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.
15 ¶ And Moses spake unto the LORD, saying,
16 Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation,
17 Which may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead
them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of the LORD be not as sheep
which have no shepherd.
18 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom *is*
the spirit, and lay thine hand upon him;
19 And set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and give him a
charge in their sight.
20 And thou shalt put *some* of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the
children of Israel may be obedient.
21 And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall ask *counsel* for him after the
judgment of Urim before the LORD: at his word shall they go out, and at his word they
shall come in, *both* he, and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation.
22 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and set him before
Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation:
23 And he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as the LORD commanded by
the hand of Moses.

28

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, My offering, *and* my bread for my
sacrifices made by fire, *for* a sweet savour unto me, shall ye observe to offer unto me in
their due season.*
3 And thou shalt say unto them, This *is* the offering made by fire which ye shall offer
unto the LORD; two lambs of the first year without spot day by day, *for* a continual burnt
offering.†
4 The one lamb shalt thou offer in the morning, and the other lamb shalt thou offer at
even;‡
5 And a tenth *part* of an ephah of flour for a meat offering, mingled with the fourth *part*
of an hin of beaten oil.
6 *It is* a continual burnt offering, which was ordained in mount Sinai for a sweet savour,
a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.
7 And the drink offering thereof *shall be* the fourth *part* of an hin for the one lamb: in the
holy *place* shalt thou cause the strong wine to be poured unto the LORD *for* a drink offering.
8 And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even: as the meat offering of the morning, and
as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer *it*, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour
unto the LORD.
9 ¶ And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot, and two tenth deals
of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof:
10 *This is* the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his
drink offering.
11 ¶ And in the beginnings of your months ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD;
two young bullocks, and one ram, seven lambs of the first year without spot;
12 And three tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one bullock;
and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one ram;
13 And a several tenth deal of flour mingled with oil *for* a meat offering unto one lamb;
for a burnt offering of a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.
14 And their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine unto a bullock, and the third *part*
of an hin unto a ram, and a fourth *part* of an hin unto a lamb: this *is* the burnt offering of
every month throughout the months of the year.
15 And one kid of the goats for a sin offering unto the LORD shall be offered, beside the
continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.
16 And in the fourteenth day of the first month *is* the passover of the LORD.

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* **28:2** a sweet...: Heb. a savour of my rest † **28:3** day by day: Heb. in a day ‡ **28:4** at even: Heb. between the two evenings

17 And in the fifteenth day of this month *is* the feast: seven days shall unleavened bread
be eaten.
18 In the first day *shall be* an holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of servile work
therein:
19 But ye shall offer a sacrifice made by fire *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD; two young
bullocks, and one ram, and seven lambs of the first year: they shall be unto you without
blemish:
20 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil: three tenth deals shall ye
offer for a bullock, and two tenth deals for a ram;
21 A several tenth deal shalt thou offer for every lamb, throughout the seven lambs:
22 And one goat *for* a sin offering, to make an atonement for you.
23 Ye shall offer these beside the burnt offering in the morning, which *is* for a continual
burnt offering.
24 After this manner ye shall offer daily, throughout the seven days, the meat of the
sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: it shall be offered beside the
continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.
25 And on the seventh day ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work.
26 ¶ Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meat offering unto the LORD,
after your weeks *be out*, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work:
27 But ye shall offer the burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; two young
bullocks, one ram, seven lambs of the first year;
28 And their meat offering of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto one bullock,
two tenth deals unto one ram,
29 A several tenth deal unto one lamb, throughout the seven lambs;
30 *And* one kid of the goats, to make an atonement for you.
31 Ye shall offer *them* beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, (they
shall be unto you without blemish) and their drink offerings.

29

1 And in the seventh month, on the first *day* of the month, ye shall have an holy
convocation; ye shall do no servile work: it is a day of blowing the trumpets unto you.
2 And ye shall offer a burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; one young bullock,
one ram, *and* seven lambs of the first year without blemish:
3 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals for a bullock,
and two tenth deals for a ram,
4 And one tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:
5 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering, to make an atonement for you:
6 Beside the burnt offering of the month, and his meat offering, and the daily burnt
offering, and his meat offering, and their drink offerings, according unto their manner,
for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.
7 ¶ And ye shall have on the tenth *day* of this seventh month an holy convocation; and ye
shall afflict your souls: ye shall not do any work *therein:*
8 But ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour; one young bullock,
one ram, *and* seven lambs of the first year; they shall be unto you without blemish:
9 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals to a bullock,
and two tenth deals to one ram,
10 A several tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:
11 One kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the sin offering of atonement, and the
continual burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drink offerings.
12 ¶ And on the fifteenth day of the seventh month ye shall have an holy convocation; ye
shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days:
13 And ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the
LORD; thirteen young bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year; they shall
be without blemish:
14 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto every
bullock of the thirteen bullocks, two tenth deals to each ram of the two rams,
15 And a several tenth deal to each lamb of the fourteen lambs:
16 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat
offering, and his drink offering.
17 ¶ And on the second day *ye shall offer* twelve young bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs
of the first year without spot:

18 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and
for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
19 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and the
meat offering thereof, and their drink offerings.
20 ¶ And on the third day eleven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year
without blemish;
21 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and
for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
22 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat
offering, and his drink offering.
23 ¶ And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year
without blemish:
24 Their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the
lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
25 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat
offering, and his drink offering.
26 ¶ And on the fifth day nine bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year
without spot:
27 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and
for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
28 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat
offering, and his drink offering.
29 ¶ And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year
without blemish:
30 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and
for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
31 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering,
and his drink offering.
32 ¶ And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first
year without blemish:
33 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and
for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
34 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering,
and his drink offering.
35 ¶ On the eighth day ye shall have a solemn assembly: ye shall do no servile work
therein:
36 But ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the
LORD: one bullock, one ram, seven lambs of the first year without blemish:
37 Their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram, and for the
lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:
38 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat
offering, and his drink offering.
39 These *things* ye shall do unto the LORD in your set feasts, beside your vows, and your
freewill offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your meat offerings, and for your drink
offerings, and for your peace offerings.*
40 And Moses told the children of Israel according to all that the LORD commanded
Moses.

30

1 And Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying,
This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded.
2 If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he
shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.*
3 If a woman also vow a vow unto the LORD, and bind herself by a bond, *being* in her
father's house in her youth;
4 And her father hear her vow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul, and her
father shall hold his peace at her: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith
she hath bound her soul shall stand.

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* **29:39** do: or, offer * **30:2** break: Heb. profane

5 But if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not any of her vows, or of her
bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul, shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive her,
because her father disallowed her.
6 And if she had at all an husband, when she vowed, or uttered ought out of her lips,
wherewith she bound her soul;†
7 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard *it:* then
her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.
8 But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard *it;* then he shall make her
vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips, wherewith she bound her
soul, of none effect: and the LORD shall forgive her.
9 But every vow of a widow, and of her that is divorced, wherewith they have bound their
souls, shall stand against her.
10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath;
11 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her, *and* disallowed her not: then all
her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.
12 But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard *them; then*
whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her
soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her.
13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or
her husband may make it void.
14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he
establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which *are* upon her: he confirmeth them,
because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard *them*.
15 But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard *them;* then he shall
bear her iniquity.
16 These *are* the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his
wife, between the father and his daughter, *being yet* in her youth in her father's house.

31

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Avenge the children of Israel of the Midianites: afterward shalt thou be gathered unto
thy people.
3 And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm some of yourselves unto the war, and let
them go against the Midianites, and avenge the LORD of Midian.
4 Of every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall ye send to the war.*
5 So there were delivered out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of *every* tribe, twelve
thousand armed for war.
6 And Moses sent them to the war, a thousand of *every* tribe, them and Phinehas the son
of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the holy instruments, and the trumpets to blow in his
hand.
7 And they warred against the Midianites, as the LORD commanded Moses; and they slew
all the males.
8 And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that were slain; *namely*, Evi,
and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor
they slew with the sword.
9 And the children of Israel took *all* the women of Midian captives, and their little ones,
and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods.
10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles, with
fire.
11 And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, *both* of men and of beasts.
12 And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar
the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains
of Moab, which *are* by Jordan *near* Jericho.
13 ¶ And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth
to meet them without the camp.
14 And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, *with* the captains over thousands,
and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle.†
15 And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive?

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† **30:6** she vowed: Heb. her vows were upon her

* **31:4** Of...: Heb. A thousand of a tribe, a thousand of a tribe

† **31:14** battle: Heb. host of war

16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit
trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the
congregation of the LORD.
17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath
known man by lying with him.‡
18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive
for yourselves.
19 And do ye abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath killed any person, and
whosoever hath touched any slain, purify *both* yourselves and your captives on the third
day, and on the seventh day.
20 And purify all *your* raiment, and all that is made of skins, and all work of goats' *hair*,
and all things made of wood.§
21 ¶ And Eleazar the priest said unto the men of war which went to the battle, This *is* the
ordinance of the law which the LORD commanded Moses;
22 Only the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead,
23 Every thing that may abide the fire, ye shall make *it* go through the fire, and it shall be
clean: nevertheless it shall be purified with the water of separation: and all that abideth
not the fire ye shall make go through the water.
24 And ye shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall be clean, and afterward
ye shall come into the camp.
25 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
26 Take the sum of the prey that was taken, *both* of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar
the priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation:**
27 And divide the prey into two parts; between them that took the war upon them, who
went out to battle, and between all the congregation:
28 And levy a tribute unto the LORD of the men of war which went out to battle: one soul
of five hundred, *both* of the persons, and of the beeves, and of the asses, and of the sheep:
29 Take *it* of their half, and give it unto Eleazar the priest, *for* an heave offering of the
LORD.
30 And of the children of Israel's half, thou shalt take one portion of fifty, of the persons,
of the beeves, of the asses, and of the flocks, of all manner of beasts, and give them unto
the Levites, which keep the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD.††
31 And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the LORD commanded Moses.
32 And the booty, *being* the rest of the prey which the men of war had caught, was six
hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five thousand sheep,
33 And threescore and twelve thousand beeves,
34 And threescore and one thousand asses,
35 And thirty and two thousand persons in all, of women that had not known man by
lying with him.
36 And the half, *which was* the portion of them that went out to war, was in number three
hundred thousand and seven and thirty thousand and five hundred sheep:
37 And the LORD's tribute of the sheep was six hundred and threescore and fifteen.
38 And the beeves *were* thirty and six thousand; of which the LORD's tribute *was*
threescore and twelve.
39 And the asses *were* thirty thousand and five hundred; of which the LORD's tribute *was*
threescore and one.
40 And the persons *were* sixteen thousand; of which the LORD's tribute *was* thirty and
two persons.
41 And Moses gave the tribute, *which was* the LORD's heave offering, unto Eleazar the
priest, as the LORD commanded Moses.
42 And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses divided from the men that warred,
43 (Now the half *that pertained unto* the congregation was three hundred thousand and
thirty thousand *and* seven thousand and five hundred sheep,
44 And thirty and six thousand beeves,
45 And thirty thousand asses and five hundred,
46 And sixteen thousand persons;)
47 Even of the children of Israel's half, Moses took one portion of fifty, *both* of man and
of beast, and gave them unto the Levites, which kept the charge of the tabernacle of the
LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.

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‡ **31:17** him: Heb. a male § **31:20** that...: Heb. instrument, or, vessel of skins ** **31:26** that...: Heb. of the captivity
†† **31:30** flocks: or, goats

48 ¶ And the officers which *were* over thousands of the host, the captains of thousands,
and captains of hundreds, came near unto Moses:
49 And they said unto Moses, Thy servants have taken the sum of the men of war which
are under our charge, and there lacketh not one man of us.‡‡
50 We have therefore brought an oblation for the LORD, what every man hath gotten, of
jewels of gold, chains, and bracelets, rings, earrings, and tablets, to make an atonement for
our souls before the LORD.§§
51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, *even* all wrought jewels.
52 And all the gold of the offering that they offered up to the LORD, of the captains of
thousands, and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty
shekels.***
53 (*For* the men of war had taken spoil, every man for himself.)
54 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of
hundreds, and brought it into the tabernacle of the congregation, *for* a memorial for the
children of Israel before the LORD.

32

1 Now the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle:
and when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place *was* a
place for cattle;
2 The children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake unto Moses, and to
Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying,
3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Shebam,
and Nebo, and Beon,*†‡
4 *Even* the country which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, *is* a land for
cattle, and thy servants have cattle:
5 Wherefore, said they, if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy
servants for a possession, *and* bring us not over Jordan.
6 ¶ And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben, Shall your
brethren go to war, and shall ye sit here?
7 And wherefore discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from going over into
the land which the LORD hath given them?§
8 Thus did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to see the land.
9 For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged
the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which the LORD
had given them.
10 And the LORD's anger was kindled the same time, and he sware, saying,
11 Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward,
shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they
have not wholly followed me:**
12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: for they
have wholly followed the LORD.
13 And the LORD's anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander in the
wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done evil in the sight of the LORD,
was consumed.
14 And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to
augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel.
15 For if ye turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and
ye shall destroy all this people.
16 ¶ And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle,
and cities for our little ones:
17 But we ourselves will go ready armed before the children of Israel, until we have
brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities because
of the inhabitants of the land.
18 We will not return unto our houses, until the children of Israel have inherited every
man his inheritance.

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‡‡ **31:49** charge: Heb. hand §§ **31:50** gotten: Heb. found *** **31:52** offering: Heb. heave offering * **32:3** Nimrah: also called, Beth-nimrah † **32:3** Shebam: also called, Shibmah ‡ **32:3** Beon: also called, Baal-meon § **32:7** discourage: Heb. break ** **32:11** wholly...: Heb. fulfilled after me

19 For we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or forward; because our
inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward.
20 ¶ And Moses said unto them, If ye will do this thing, if ye will go armed before the LORD
to war,
21 And will go all of you armed over Jordan before the LORD, until he hath driven out his
enemies from before him,
22 And the land be subdued before the LORD: then afterward ye shall return, and be
guiltless before the LORD, and before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before
the LORD.
23 But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin
will find you out.
24 Build you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath
proceeded out of your mouth.
25 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spake unto Moses, saying, Thy
servants will do as my lord commandeth.
26 Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of
Gilead:
27 But thy servants will pass over, every man armed for war, before the LORD to battle,
as my lord saith.
28 So concerning them Moses commanded Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun,
and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel:
29 And Moses said unto them, If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass
with you over Jordan, every man armed to battle, before the LORD, and the land shall be
subdued before you; then ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession:
30 But if they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you
in the land of Canaan.
31 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered, saying, As the LORD
hath said unto thy servants, so will we do.
32 We will pass over armed before the LORD into the land of Canaan, that the possession
of our inheritance on this side Jordan *may be* ours.
33 And Moses gave unto them, *even* to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben,
and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the
Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land, with the cities thereof in the
coasts, *even* the cities of the country round about.
34 ¶ And the children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer,
35 And Atroth, Shophan, and Jaazer, and Jogbehah,[††]
36 And Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, fenced cities: and folds for sheep.[‡‡]
37 And the children of Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kirjathaim,
38 And Nebo, and Baal-meon, (their names being changed,) and Shibmah: and gave other
names unto the cities which they builded.[§§]
39 And the children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and
dispossessed the Amorite which *was* in it.
40 And Moses gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he dwelt therein.
41 And Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the small towns thereof, and called them
Havoth-jair.
42 And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the villages thereof, and called it Nobah, after
his own name.

33

1 These *are* the journeys of the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of
Egypt with their armies under the hand of Moses and Aaron.
2 And Moses wrote their goings out according to their journeys by the commandment of
the LORD: and these *are* their journeys according to their goings out.
3 And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first
month; on the morrow after the passover the children of Israel went out with an high hand
in the sight of all the Egyptians.
4 For the Egyptians buried all *their* firstborn, which the LORD had smitten among them:
upon their gods also the LORD executed judgments.
5 And the children of Israel removed from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth.

[††] **32:35** Jaazer: also called, Jazer [‡‡] **32:36** Beth-nimrah: also called, Nimrah [§§] **32:38** gave...: Heb. they called by names the names of the cities

6 And they departed from Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which *is* in the edge of the
wilderness.
7 And they removed from Etham, and turned again unto Pi-hahiroth, which *is* before
Baal-zephon: and they pitched before Migdol.
8 And they departed from before Pi-hahiroth, and passed through the midst of the sea
into the wilderness, and went three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and pitched
in Marah.
9 And they removed from Marah, and came unto Elim: and in Elim *were* twelve fountains
of water, and threescore and ten palm trees; and they pitched there.
10 And they removed from Elim, and encamped by the Red sea.
11 And they removed from the Red sea, and encamped in the wilderness of Sin.
12 And they took their journey out of the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in Dophkah.
13 And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush.
14 And they removed from Alush, and encamped at Rephidim, where was no water for
the people to drink.
15 And they departed from Rephidim, and pitched in the wilderness of Sinai.
16 And they removed from the desert of Sinai, and pitched at Kibroth-hattaavah.*
17 And they departed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and encamped at Hazeroth.
18 And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in Rithmah.
19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmon-parez.
20 And they departed from Rimmon-parez, and pitched in Libnah.
21 And they removed from Libnah, and pitched at Rissah.
22 And they journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.
23 And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.
24 And they removed from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.
25 And they removed from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.
26 And they removed from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.
27 And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.
28 And they removed from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.
29 And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.
30 And they departed from Hashmonah, and encamped at Moseroth.
31 And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-jaakan.
32 And they removed from Bene-jaakan, and encamped at Hor-hagidgad.
33 And they went from Hor-hagidgad, and pitched in Jotbathah.
34 And they removed from Jotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.
35 And they departed from Ebronah, and encamped at Ezion-gaber.
36 And they removed from Ezion-gaber, and pitched in the wilderness of Zin, which *is*
Kadesh.
37 And they removed from Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of
Edom.
38 And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment of the LORD, and
died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of
Egypt, in the first *day* of the fifth month.
39 And Aaron *was* an hundred and twenty and three years old when he died in mount
Hor.
40 And king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south in the land of Canaan, heard of
the coming of the children of Israel.
41 And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.
42 And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.
43 And they departed from Punon, and pitched in Oboth.
44 And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in Ije-abarim, in the border of Moab.†
45 And they departed from Iim, and pitched in Dibon-gad.
46 And they removed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim.
47 And they removed from Almon-diblathaim, and pitched in the mountains of Abarim,
before Nebo.
48 And they departed from the mountains of Abarim, and pitched in the plains of Moab
by Jordan *near* Jericho.
49 And they pitched by Jordan, from Beth-jesimoth *even* unto Abel-shittim in the plains
of Moab.‡

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* **33:16** Kibroth-hattaavah: that is, the graves of lust † **33:44** Ije-abarim: or, heaps of Abarim ‡ **33:49** Abel-shittim: or, the plains of Shittim

50 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,
51 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye are passed over Jordan into the land of Canaan;
52 Then ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places:
53 And ye shall dispossess *the inhabitants* of the land, and dwell therein: for I have given you the land to possess it.
54 And ye shall divide the land by lot for an inheritance among your families: *and* to the more ye shall give the more inheritance, and to the fewer ye shall give the less inheritance: every man's *inheritance* shall be in the place where his lot falleth; according to the tribes of your fathers ye shall inherit.§**
55 But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them *shall be* pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.
56 Moreover it shall come to pass, *that* I shall do unto you, as I thought to do unto them.

34

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land of Canaan; (this *is* the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance, *even* the land of Canaan with the coasts thereof:)
3 Then your south quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the coast of Edom, and your south border shall be the outmost coast of the salt sea eastward:
4 And your border shall turn from the south to the ascent of Akrabbim, and pass on to Zin: and the going forth thereof shall be from the south to Kadesh-barnea, and shall go on to Hazar-addar, and pass on to Azmon:
5 And the border shall fetch a compass from Azmon unto the river of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the sea.
6 And *as for* the western border, ye shall even have the great sea for a border: this shall be your west border.
7 And this shall be your north border: from the great sea ye shall point out for you mount Hor:
8 From mount Hor ye shall point out *your border* unto the entrance of Hamath; and the goings forth of the border shall be to Zedad:
9 ¶ And the border shall go on to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shall be at Hazar-enan: this shall be your north border.
10 And ye shall point out your east border from Hazar-enan to Shepham:
11 And the coast shall go down from Shepham to Riblah, on the east side of Ain; and the border shall descend, and shall reach unto the side of the sea of Chinnereth eastward:*
12 And the border shall go down to Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at the salt sea: this shall be your land with the coasts thereof round about.
13 And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the land which ye shall inherit by lot, which the LORD commanded to give unto the nine tribes, and to the half tribe:
14 For the tribe of the children of Reuben according to the house of their fathers, and the tribe of the children of Gad according to the house of their fathers, have received *their inheritance;* and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance:
15 The two tribes and the half tribe have received their inheritance on this side Jordan *near* Jericho eastward, toward the sunrising.
16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
17 These *are* the names of the men which shall divide the land unto you: Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun.
18 And ye shall take one prince of every tribe, to divide the land by inheritance.
19 And the names of the men *are* these: Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.
20 And of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud.
21 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon.
22 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Dan, Bukki the son of Jogli.

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§ **33:54** give the more...: Heb. multiply his inheritance
** **33:54** give the less...: Heb. diminish his inheritance
* **34:11** side of the sea: Heb. shoulder of the sea

23 The prince of the children of Joseph, for the tribe of the children of Manasseh, Hanniel
the son of Ephod.
24 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Ephraim, Kemuel the son of Shiphtan.
25 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Zebulun, Elizaphan the son of Parnach.
26 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Issachar, Paltiel the son of Azzan.
27 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Asher, Ahihud the son of Shelomi.
28 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, Pedahel the son of Ammihud.
29 These *are they* whom the LORD commanded to divide the inheritance unto the
children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

35

1 And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,
2 Command the children of Israel, that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of
their possession cities to dwell in; and ye shall give *also* unto the Levites suburbs for the
cities round about them.
3 And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and the suburbs of them shall be for their
cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.
4 And the suburbs of the cities, which ye shall give unto the Levites, *shall reach* from the
wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about.
5 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and
on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on
the north side two thousand cubits; and the city *shall be* in the midst: this shall be to them
the suburbs of the cities.
6 And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites *there shall be* six cities for
refuge, which ye shall appoint for the manslayer, that he may flee thither: and to them ye
shall add forty and two cities.*
7 *So* all the cities which ye shall give to the Levites *shall be* forty and eight cities: them
shall ye give with their suburbs.
8 And the cities which ye shall give *shall be* of the possession of the children of Israel:
from *them that have* many ye shall give many; but from *them that have* few ye shall give
few: every one shall give of his cities unto the Levites according to his inheritance which
he inheriteth.†
9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come over Jordan
into the land of Canaan;
11 Then ye shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you; that the slayer may flee
thither, which killeth any person at unawares.‡
12 And they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the avenger; that the manslayer die
not, until he stand before the congregation in judgment.
13 And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ye have for refuge.
14 Ye shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities shall ye give in the land of
Canaan, *which* shall be cities of refuge.
15 These six cities shall be a refuge, *both* for the children of Israel, and for the stranger,
and for the sojourner among them: that every one that killeth any person unawares may
flee thither.
16 And if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he *is* a murderer: the
murderer shall surely be put to death.
17 And if he smite him with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die, he *is* a
murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.§
18 Or *if* he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die, and he die,
he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.
19 The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall
slay him.
20 But if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laying of wait, that he die;
21 Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote *him* shall surely be
put to death; *for* he *is* a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he
meeteth him.
22 But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without
laying of wait,

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* **35:6** to them...: Heb. above them ye shall give † **35:8** he...: Heb. they inherit ‡ **35:11** at...: Heb. by error § **35:17** with...: Heb. with a stone of the hand

23 Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing *him* not, and cast *it* upon him,
that he die, and *was* not his enemy, neither sought his harm:
24 Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood
according to these judgments:
25 And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood,
and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and
he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.
26 But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge,
whither he was fled;
27 And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and
the revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be guilty of blood:**
28 Because he should have remained in the city of his refuge until the death of the high
priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his
possession.
29 So these *things* shall be for a statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations
in all your dwellings.
30 Whoso killeth any person, the murderer shall be put to death by the mouth of
witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person *to cause him* to die.
31 Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the life of a murderer, which *is* guilty of
death: but he shall be surely put to death.††
32 And ye shall take no satisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he
should come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest.
33 So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye *are:* for blood it defileth the land: and the
land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed
it.‡‡
34 Defile not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I dwell: for I the LORD
dwell among the children of Israel.

36

1 And the chief fathers of the families of the children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son
of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses, and
before the princes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel:
2 And they said, The LORD commanded my lord to give the land for an inheritance by lot
to the children of Israel: and my lord was commanded by the LORD to give the inheritance
of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters.
3 And if they be married to any of the sons of the *other* tribes of the children of Israel,
then shall their inheritance be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and shall be put
to the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall it be taken from the
lot of our inheritance.*
4 And when the jubile of the children of Israel shall be, then shall their inheritance be put
unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance
be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.†
5 And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of the LORD,
saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.
6 This *is* the thing which the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophe-
had, saying, Let them marry to whom they think best; only to the family of the tribe of their
father shall they marry.‡
7 So shall not the inheritance of the children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe: for
every one of the children of Israel shall keep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his
fathers.§
8 And every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel,
shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may
enjoy every man the inheritance of his fathers.
9 Neither shall the inheritance remove from *one* tribe to another tribe; but every one of
the tribes of the children of Israel shall keep himself to his own inheritance.
10 Even as the LORD commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad:

** **35:27** he...: Heb. no blood shall be to him †† **35:31** guilty...: Heb. faulty to die ‡‡ **35:33** the land cannot...: Heb. there can be no expiation for the land * **36:3** whereunto...: Heb. unto whom they shall be † **36:4** whereunto...: Heb. unto whom they shall be ‡ **36:6** marry: Heb. be wives § **36:7** keep...: Heb. cleave to the, etc

11 For Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad,
were married unto their father's brothers' sons:
12 *And* they were married into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, and
their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.**
13 These *are* the commandments and the judgments, which the LORD commanded by the
hand of Moses unto the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.

** **36:12** into...: Heb. to some that were of the families

The Fifth Book of Moses, called Deuteronomy

1 These *be* the words which Moses spake unto all Israel on this side Jordan in the
wilderness, in the plain over against the Red *sea*, between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban,
and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.*
2 (*There are* eleven days' *journey* from Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadesh-
barnea.)
3 And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first *day* of the
month, *that* Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD had
given him in commandment unto them;
4 After he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the
king of Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei:
5 On this side Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying,
6 The LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this
mount:
7 Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto all *the
places* nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the
sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river
Euphrates.†
8 Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD sware
unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after
them.‡
9 ¶ And I spake unto you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone:
10 The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, ye *are* this day as the stars of
heaven for multitude.
11 (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye *are*,
and bless you, as he hath promised you!)
12 How can I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?
13 Take you wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes, and I will make
them rulers over you.§
14 And ye answered me, and said, The thing which thou hast spoken *is* good *for us* to do.
15 So I took the chief of your tribes, wise men, and known, and made them heads over
you, captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and
captains over tens, and officers among your tribes.**
16 And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear *the causes* between your brethren,
and judge righteously between *every* man and his brother, and the stranger *that is* with
him.
17 Ye shall not respect persons in judgment; *but* ye shall hear the small as well as the great;
ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment *is* God's: and the cause that is too
hard for you, bring *it* unto me, and I will hear it.††
18 And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do.
19 ¶ And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible
wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our
God commanded us; and we came to Kadesh-barnea.
20 And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD
our God doth give unto us.
21 Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up *and* possess *it*, as the
LORD God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; fear not, neither be discouraged.
22 ¶ And ye came near unto me every one of you, and said, We will send men before us,
and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up,
and into what cities we shall come.
23 And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:
24 And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol,
and searched it out.
25 And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought *it* down unto us, and
brought us word again, and said, *It is* a good land which the LORD our God doth give us.

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* **1:1** the Red...: or, Zuph † **1:7** all...: Heb. all his neighbours ‡ **1:8** set: Heb. given § **1:13** Take: Heb. Give
** **1:15** made: Heb. gave †† **1:17** respect...: Heb. acknowledge faces

26 Notwithstanding ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of the
LORD your God:
27 And ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought
us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us.
28 Whither shall we go up? our brethren have discouraged our heart, saying, The people
is greater and taller than we; the cities *are* great and walled up to heaven; and moreover
we have seen the sons of the Anakims there.‡‡
29 Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.
30 The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that
he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;
31 And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God bare thee, as
a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place.
32 Yet in this thing ye did not believe the LORD your God,
33 Who went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your tents *in*, in fire
by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud by day.
34 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and sware, saying,
35 Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which
I sware to give unto your fathers,
36 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he
hath trodden upon, and to his children, because he hath wholly followed the LORD.§§
37 Also the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not go in
thither.
38 *But* Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither:
encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it.
39 Moreover your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and your children, which in
that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them
will I give it, and they shall possess it.
40 But *as for* you, turn you, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way of the
Red sea.
41 Then ye answered and said unto me, We have sinned against the LORD, we will go up
and fight, according to all that the LORD our God commanded us. And when ye had girded
on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready to go up into the hill.
42 And the LORD said unto me, Say unto them, Go not up, neither fight; for I *am* not among
you; lest ye be smitten before your enemies.
43 So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear, but rebelled against the commandment of
the LORD, and went presumptuously up into the hill.***
44 And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against you, and chased
you, as bees do, and destroyed you in Seir, *even* unto Hormah.
45 And ye returned and wept before the LORD; but the LORD would not hearken to your
voice, nor give ear unto you.
46 So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode *there*.

2

1 Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as
the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.
2 And the LORD spake unto me, saying,
3 Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward.
4 And command thou the people, saying, Ye *are* to pass through the coast of your brethren
the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed
unto yourselves therefore:
5 Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot
breadth; because I have given mount Seir unto Esau *for* a possession.*
6 Ye shall buy meat of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of
them for money, that ye may drink.
7 For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy
walking through this great wilderness: these forty years the LORD thy God *hath been* with
thee; thou hast lacked nothing.

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‡‡ **1:28** discouraged: Heb. melted §§ **1:36** wholly...: Heb. fulfilled to go after *** **1:43** went...: Heb. ye were presumptuous, and went up * **2:5** no...: Heb. even to the treading of the sole of the foot

8 And when we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir,
through the way of the plain from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and passed by
the way of the wilderness of Moab.
9 And the LORD said unto me, Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in
battle: for I will not give thee of their land *for* a possession; because I have given Ar unto
the children of Lot *for* a possession.†
10 The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the
Anakims;
11 Which also were accounted giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims.
12 The Horims also dwelt in Seir beforetime; but the children of Esau succeeded them,
when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their stead; as Israel did
unto the land of his possession, which the LORD gave unto them.‡§
13 Now rise up, *said I*, and get you over the brook Zered. And we went over the brook
Zered.**
14 And the space in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the
brook Zered, *was* thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were
wasted out from among the host, as the LORD sware unto them.††
15 For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from among the
host, until they were consumed.
16 ¶ So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among
the people,
17 That the LORD spake unto me, saying,
18 Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab, this day:
19 And *when* thou comest nigh over against the children of Ammon, distress them not,
nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon *any*
possession; because I have given it unto the children of Lot *for* a possession.
20 (That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein in old time; and the
Ammonites call them Zamzummims;‡‡
21 A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed them
before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:
22 As he did to the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims
from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:
23 And the Avims which dwelt in Hazerim, *even* unto Azzah, the Caphtorims, which came
forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.)
24 ¶ Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given
into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: begin to possess *it*, and
contend with him in battle.§§
25 This day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations *that
are* under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in
anguish because of thee.
26 ¶ And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon
with words of peace, saying,
27 Let me pass through thy land: I will go along by the high way, I will neither turn unto
the right hand nor to the left.
28 Thou shalt sell me meat for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that
I may drink: only I will pass through on my feet;
29 (As the children of Esau which dwell in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did
unto me;) until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us.
30 But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God
hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand,
as *appeareth* this day.
31 And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have begun to give Sihon and his land before
thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land.
32 Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz.
33 And the LORD our God delivered him before us; and we smote him, and his sons, and
all his people.

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† **2:9** Distress...: or, Use no hostility against Moab ‡ **2:12** succeeded: Heb. inherited § **2:12** stead: or, room
** **2:13** brook: or, valley †† **2:14** brook: or, valley ‡‡ **2:20** Zamzummims: also called, Zuzims §§ **2:24** begin...:
Heb. begin, possess

34 And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed the men, and the women,
and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain:***
35 Only the cattle we took for a prey unto ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we
took.
36 From Aroer, which *is* by the brink of the river of Arnon, and *from* the city that *is* by
the river, even unto Gilead, there was not one city too strong for us: the LORD our God
delivered all unto us:
37 Only unto the land of the children of Ammon thou camest not, *nor* unto any place of
the river Jabbok, nor unto the cities in the mountains, nor unto whatsoever the LORD our
God forbad us.

3

1 Then we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan came out
against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.
2 And the LORD said unto me, Fear him not: for I will deliver him, and all his people, and
his land, into thy hand; and thou shalt do unto him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the
Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.
3 So the LORD our God delivered into our hands Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his
people: and we smote him until none was left to him remaining.
4 And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city which we took not from them,
threescore cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.
5 All these cities *were* fenced with high walls, gates, and bars; beside unwalled towns a
great many.
6 And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly
destroying the men, women, and children, of every city.
7 But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a prey to ourselves.
8 And we took at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites the land that
was on this side Jordan, from the river of Arnon unto mount Hermon;
9 (*Which* Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion; and the Amorites call it Shenir;)
10 All the cities of the plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salchah and Edrei, cities
of the kingdom of Og in Bashan.
11 For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants; behold, his bedstead
was a bedstead of iron; *is* it not in Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits *was* the
length thereof, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.
12 And this land, *which* we possessed at that time, from Aroer, which *is* by the river Arnon,
and half mount Gilead, and the cities thereof, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites.
13 And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, *being* the kingdom of Og, gave I unto the half
tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of
giants.
14 Jair the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob unto the coasts of Geshuri and
Maachathi; and called them after his own name, Bashan-havoth-jair, unto this day.
15 And I gave Gilead unto Machir.
16 And unto the Reubenites and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the river
Arnon half the valley, and the border even unto the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the
children of Ammon;
17 The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast *thereof*, from Chinnereth even unto the sea
of the plain, *even* the salt sea, under Ashdoth-pisgah eastward.*
18 ¶ And I commanded you at that time, saying, The LORD your God hath given you this
land to possess it: ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all
that are meet for the war.†
19 But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (*for* I know that ye have much
cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you;
20 Until the LORD have given rest unto your brethren, as well as unto you, and *until* they
also possess the land which the LORD your God hath given them beyond Jordan: and *then*
shall ye return every man unto his possession, which I have given you.
21 ¶ And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thine eyes have seen all that the LORD
your God hath done unto these two kings: so shall the LORD do unto all the kingdoms
whither thou passest.
22 Ye shall not fear them: for the LORD your God he shall fight for you.

*** **2:34** the men...: Heb. every city of men, and women, and little ones * **3:17** Ashdoth-pisgah: or, the springs of Pisgah, or, the hill † **3:18** meet...: Heb. sons of power

23 And I besought the LORD at that time, saying,
24 O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty
hand: for what God *is there* in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and
according to thy might?
25 I pray thee, let me go over, and see the good land that *is* beyond Jordan, that goodly
mountain, and Lebanon.
26 But the LORD was wroth with me for your sakes, and would not hear me: and the LORD
said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto me of this matter.
27 Get thee up into the top of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward,
and southward, and eastward, and behold *it* with thine eyes: for thou shalt not go over
this Jordan.‡
28 But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before
this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see.
29 So we abode in the valley over against Beth-peor.

4

1 Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I
teach you, for to do *them*, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD
God of your fathers giveth you.
2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *ought*
from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.
3 Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of Baal-peor: for all the men that
followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from among you.
4 But ye that did cleave unto the LORD your God *are* alive every one of you this day.
5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God com-
manded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.
6 Keep therefore and do *them;* for this *is* your wisdom and your understanding in the
sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation *is*
a wise and understanding people.
7 For what nation *is there so* great, who *hath* God *so* nigh unto them, as the LORD our God
is in all *things that* we call upon him *for*?
8 And what nation *is there so* great, that hath statutes and judgments *so* righteous as all
this law, which I set before you this day?
9 Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which
thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach
them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;
10 *Specially* the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD
said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that
they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and *that* they
may teach their children.
11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire
unto the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness.*
12 And the LORD spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the voice of the
words, but saw no similitude; only *ye heard* a voice.†
13 And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, *even*
ten commandments; and he wrote them upon two tables of stone.
14 ¶ And the LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that
ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it.
15 Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves; for ye saw no manner of similitude on
the day *that* the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:
16 Lest ye corrupt *yourselves*, and make you a graven image, the similitude of any figure,
the likeness of male or female,
17 The likeness of any beast that *is* on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth
in the air,
18 The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that *is* in
the waters beneath the earth:
19 And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the
moon, and the stars, *even* all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them,
and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole
heaven.‡

‡ **3:27** Pisgah: or, the hill * **4:11** midst: Heb. heart † **4:12** only...: Heb. save a voice ‡ **4:19** divided: or, imparted

20 But the LORD hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, *even* out
of Egypt, to be unto him a people of inheritance, as *ye are* this day.
21 Furthermore the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, and sware that I should not
go over Jordan, and that I should not go in unto that good land, which the LORD thy God
giveth thee *for* an inheritance:
22 But I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but ye shall go over, and possess
that good land.
23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which
he made with you, and make you a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing*, which the
LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.
24 For the LORD thy God *is* a consuming fire, *even* a jealous God.
25 ¶ When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained
long in the land, and shall corrupt *yourselves*, and make a graven image, *or* the likeness of
any *thing*, and shall do evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger:
26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish
from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong *your* days
upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed.
27 And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number
among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.
28 And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither
see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.
29 But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find *him*, if thou seek
him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.
30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, *even* in the latter
days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice;§
31 (For the LORD thy God *is* a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee,
nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.
32 For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God
created man upon the earth, and *ask* from the one side of heaven unto the other, whether
there hath been *any such thing* as this great thing *is*, or hath been heard like it?
33 Did *ever* people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast
heard, and live?
34 Or hath God assayed to go *and* take him a nation from the midst of *another* nation,
by temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by a
stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the LORD your God did for
you in Egypt before your eyes?
35 Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he *is* God; *there is*
none else beside him.
36 Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee: and upon
earth he shewed thee his great fire; and thou heardest his words out of the midst of the fire.
37 And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and
brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt;
38 To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou *art*, to bring thee
in, to give thee their land *for* an inheritance, as *it is* this day.
39 Know therefore this day, and consider *it* in thine heart, that the LORD he *is* God in
heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: *there is* none else.
40 Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command
thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou
mayest prolong *thy* days upon the earth, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever.
41 ¶ Then Moses severed three cities on this side Jordan toward the sunrising;
42 That the slayer might flee thither, which should kill his neighbour unawares, and hated
him not in times past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities he might live:
43 *Namely*, Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and Ramoth
in Gilead, of the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, of the Manassites.
44 ¶ And this *is* the law which Moses set before the children of Israel:
45 These *are* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which Moses spake
unto the children of Israel, after they came forth out of Egypt,
46 On this side Jordan, in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of
the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel smote, after
they were come forth out of Egypt:

§ **4:30** are...: Heb. have found thee

47 And they possessed his land, and the land of Og king of Bashan, two kings of the
Amorites, which *were* on this side Jordan toward the sunrising;
48 From Aroer, which *is* by the bank of the river Arnon, even unto mount Sion, which *is*
Hermon,
49 And all the plain on this side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain, under
the springs of Pisgah.

5

1 And Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and
judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and keep, and do
them.*
2 The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb.
3 The LORD made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, *even* us, who *are* all of
us here alive this day.
4 The LORD talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,
5 (I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to shew you the word of the LORD: for
ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying,
6 ¶ I *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house
of bondage.†
7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me.
8 Thou shalt not make thee *any* graven image, *or* any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven
above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:
9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God
am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and
fourth *generation* of them that hate me,
10 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my command-
ments.
11 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold
him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
12 Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.
13 Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work:
14 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any
work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor
thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; that
thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.
15 And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and *that* the LORD thy
God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore
the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.
16 ¶ Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that
thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD
thy God giveth thee.
17 Thou shalt not kill.
18 Neither shalt thou commit adultery.
19 Neither shalt thou steal.
20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.
21 Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neigh-
bour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any
thing that *is* thy neighbour's.
22 ¶ These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of
the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more.
And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.
23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the
mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, *even* all the heads of your tribes,
and your elders;
24 And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness, and
we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth
talk with man, and he liveth.
25 Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we hear the
voice of the LORD our God any more, then we shall die.‡

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* **5:1** keep...: Heb. keep to do them † **5:6** bondage: Heb. servants ‡ **5:25** hear: Heb. add to hear

26 For who *is there of* all flesh, that hath heard the voice of the living God speaking out of
the midst of the fire, as we *have*, and lived?
27 Go thou near, and hear all that the LORD our God shall say: and speak thou unto us all
that the LORD our God shall speak unto thee; and we will hear *it*, and do *it*.
28 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto me; and the LORD
said unto me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken
unto thee: they have well said all that they have spoken.
29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my
commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever!
30 Go say to them, Get you into your tents again.
31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak unto thee all the command-
ments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do
them in the land which I give them to possess it.
32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath commanded you: ye shall
not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.
33 Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye
may live, and *that it may be* well with you, and *that* ye may prolong *your* days in the land
which ye shall possess.

6

1 Now these *are* the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD
your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do *them* in the land whither ye go to
possess it:*
2 That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his command-
ments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life;
and that thy days may be prolonged.
3 ¶ Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do *it;* that it may be well with thee, and that
ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land
that floweth with milk and honey.
4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God *is* one LORD:
5 And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and
with all thy might.
6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:
7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when
thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down,
and when thou risest up.†
8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets
between thine eyes.
9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.
10 And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which
he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly
cities, which thou buildedst not,
11 And houses full of all good *things*, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which
thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt
have eaten and be full;
12 *Then* beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of
Egypt, from the house of bondage.‡
13 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name.
14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you;
15 (For the LORD thy God *is* a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God
be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.
16 ¶ Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted *him* in Massah.
17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies,
and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.
18 And thou shalt do *that which is* right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may
be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD
sware unto thy fathers,
19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.

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* **6:1** go: Heb. pass over † **6:7** teach: Heb. whet, or, sharpen ‡ **6:12** bondage: Heb. bondmen or, servants

20 *And* when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What *mean* the testimonies, and
the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD our God hath commanded you?§
21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the LORD
brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand:
22 And the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh,
and upon all his household, before our eyes:**
23 And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which
he sware unto our fathers.
24 And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for
our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as *it is* at this day.
25 And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before
the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

7

1 When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess
it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the
Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven
nations greater and mightier than thou;
2 And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, *and*
utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:
3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto
his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.
4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so
will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.
5 But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their
images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.*
6 For thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee
to be a special people unto himself, above all people that *are* upon the face of the earth.
7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in
number than any people; for ye *were* the fewest of all people:
8 But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he
had sworn unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and
redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.
9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he *is* God, the faithful God, which keepeth
covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand
generations;
10 And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to
him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.
11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments,
which I command thee this day, to do them.
12 ¶ Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do
them, that the LORD thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he
sware unto thy fathers:†
13 And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of
thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of
thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give
thee.
14 Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among
you, or among your cattle.
15 And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil
diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all *them* that
hate thee.
16 And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God shall deliver thee; thine
eye shall have no pity upon them: neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that *will be* a snare
unto thee.
17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations *are* more than I; how can I dispossess
them?
18 Thou shalt not be afraid of them: *but* shalt well remember what the LORD thy God did
unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt;

§ **6:20** in...: Heb. to morrow ** **6:22** sore: Heb. evil * **7:5** their images: Heb. their statues, or, pillars † **7:12** if: Heb. because

19 The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the
mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out: so
shall the LORD thy God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid.
20 Moreover the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until they that are left,
and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed.
21 Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God *is* among you, a mighty God
and terrible.
22 And the LORD thy God will put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou
mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee.‡
23 But the LORD thy God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall destroy them with a
mighty destruction, until they be destroyed.§
24 And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name
from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have
destroyed them.
25 The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the
silver or gold *that is* on them, nor take *it* unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it *is*
an abomination to the LORD thy God.
26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing
like it: *but* thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it *is* a cursed thing.

8

1 All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye
may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your
fathers.
2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years
in the wilderness, to humble thee, *and* to prove thee, to know what *was* in thine heart,
whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.
3 And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which
thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man
doth not live by bread only, but by every *word* that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD
doth man live.
4 Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.
5 Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, *so* the LORD
thy God chasteneth thee.
6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways,
and to fear him.
7 For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of
fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills;
8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil
olive, and honey;*
9 A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any *thing*
in it; a land whose stones *are* iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass.
10 When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the LORD thy God for the good
land which he hath given thee.
11 Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and
his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day:
12 Lest *when* thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt *therein;*
13 And *when* thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied,
and all that thou hast is multiplied;
14 Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the LORD thy God, which brought thee
forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;
15 Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, *wherein were* fiery serpents,
and scorpions, and drought, where *there was* no water; who brought thee forth water out
of the rock of flint;
16 Who fed thee in the wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might
humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end;
17 And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of *mine* hand hath gotten me this
wealth.

‡ **7:22** put...: Heb. pluck off § **7:23** unto...: Heb. before thy face * **8:8** of oil...: Heb. of olive tree of oil

18 But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for *it is* he that giveth thee power to get
wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as *it is* this day.
19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and
serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish.
20 As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your face, so shall ye perish; because
ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the LORD your God.

9

1 Hear, O Israel: Thou *art* to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations greater
and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven,
2 A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and *of whom*
thou hast heard *say*, Who can stand before the children of Anak!
3 Understand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God *is* he which goeth over before
thee; *as* a consuming fire he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down before thy
face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as the LORD hath said unto
thee.
4 Speak not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from
before thee, saying, For my righteousness the LORD hath brought me in to possess this
land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD doth drive them out from before
thee.
5 Not for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thine heart, dost thou go to possess
their land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD thy God doth drive them
out from before thee, and that he may perform the word which the LORD sware unto thy
fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
6 Understand therefore, that the LORD thy God giveth thee not this good land to possess
it for thy righteousness; for thou *art* a stiffnecked people.
7 ¶ Remember, *and* forget not, how thou provokedst the LORD thy God to wrath in the
wilderness: from the day that thou didst depart out of the land of Egypt, until ye came
unto this place, ye have been rebellious against the LORD.
8 Also in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you to
have destroyed you.
9 When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, *even* the tables of the
covenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty
nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water:
10 And the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger of God;
and on them *was written* according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the
mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.
11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, *that* the LORD gave me
the two tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant.
12 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, get thee down quickly from hence; for thy people
which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted *themselves;* they are quickly
turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten
image.
13 Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and, behold, it
is a stiffnecked people:
14 Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven:
and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.
15 So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the
two tables of the covenant *were* in my two hands.
16 And I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your God, *and* had made you
a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded
you.
17 And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before
your eyes.
18 And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I did neither
eat bread, nor drink water, because of all your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in
the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.
19 For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith the LORD was wroth
against you to destroy you. But the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also.
20 And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and I prayed for
Aaron also the same time.

21 And I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it,
and ground *it* very small, *even* until it was as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into
the brook that descended out of the mount.
22 And at Taberah, and at Massah, and at Kibroth-hattaavah, ye provoked the LORD to
wrath.
23 Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, Go up and possess the
land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your
God, and ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice.
24 Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you.
25 Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days and forty nights, as I fell down *at the first;*
because the LORD had said he would destroy you.
26 I prayed therefore unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, destroy not thy people
and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast
brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand.
27 Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness
of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin:
28 Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because the LORD was not able to
bring them into the land which he promised them, and because he hated them, he hath
brought them out to slay them in the wilderness.
29 Yet they *are* thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty
power and by thy stretched out arm.

10

1 At that time the LORD said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and
come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood.
2 And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest,
and thou shalt put them in the ark.
3 And I made an ark *of* shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first,
and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand.
4 And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments,
which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the
assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.*
5 And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which
I had made; and there they be, as the LORD commanded me.
6 ¶ And the children of Israel took their journey from Beeroth of the children of Jaakan
to Mosera: there Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in
the priest's office in his stead.
7 From thence they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbath, a land of
rivers of waters.
8 ¶ At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of
the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister unto him, and to bless in his name, unto
this day.
9 Wherefore Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD *is* his
inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised him.
10 And I stayed in the mount, according to the first time, forty days and forty nights; and
the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also, *and* the LORD would not destroy thee.†
11 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, take *thy* journey before the people, that they may
go in and possess the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give unto them.‡
12 ¶ And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD
thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy
heart and with all thy soul,
13 To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this
day for thy good?
14 Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens *is* the LORD's thy God, the earth *also*,
with all that therein *is*.
15 Only the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he chose their seed after
them, *even* you above all people, as *it is* this day.
16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked.
17 For the LORD your God *is* God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a
terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:

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* **10:4** commandments: Heb. words † **10:10** first...: or, former days ‡ **10:11** take...: Heb. go in journey

18 He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in
giving him food and raiment.
19 Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.
20 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave,
and swear by his name.
21 He *is* thy praise, and he *is* thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible
things, which thine eyes have seen.
22 Thy fathers went down into Egypt with threescore and ten persons; and now the LORD
thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude.

11

1 Therefore thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and
his judgments, and his commandments, alway.
2 And know ye this day: for *I speak* not with your children which have not known, and
which have not seen the chastisement of the LORD your God, his greatness, his mighty
hand, and his stretched out arm,
3 And his miracles, and his acts, which he did in the midst of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king
of Egypt, and unto all his land;
4 And what he did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their chariots; how
he made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and *how* the
LORD hath destroyed them unto this day;
5 And what he did unto you in the wilderness, until ye came into this place;
6 And what he did unto Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the
earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents,
and all the substance that *was* in their possession, in the midst of all Israel:*†
7 But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD which he did.
8 Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day, that ye
may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go to possess it;
9 And that ye may prolong *your* days in the land, which the LORD sware unto your fathers
to give unto them and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.
10 ¶ For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, *is* not as the land of Egypt, from
whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and wateredst *it* with thy foot, as a
garden of herbs:
11 But the land, whither ye go to possess it, *is* a land of hills and valleys, *and* drinketh
water of the rain of heaven:
12 A land which the LORD thy God careth for: the eyes of the LORD thy God *are* always
upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.‡
13 ¶ And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments
which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your
heart and with all your soul,
14 That I will give *you* the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter
rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.
15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest eat and be full.§
16 Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve
other gods, and worship them;
17 And *then* the LORD's wrath be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that
there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and *lest* ye perish quickly from off
the good land which the LORD giveth you.
18 ¶ Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind
them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.
19 And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine
house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.
20 And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates:
21 That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the
LORD sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.
22 ¶ For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do
them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him;
23 Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess
greater nations and mightier than yourselves.

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* **11:6** substance...: or, living substance which followed them † **11:6** was...: Heb. was at their feet ‡ **11:12** careth...: Heb. seeketh § **11:15** send: Heb. give

24 Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: from the
wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea
shall your coast be.
25 There shall no man be able to stand before you: *for* the LORD your God shall lay the
fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said
unto you.
26 ¶ Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;
27 A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command
you this day:
28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn
aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have
not known.
29 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD thy God hath brought thee in unto the land
whither thou goest to possess it, that thou shalt put the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and
the curse upon mount Ebal.
30 *Are* they not on the other side Jordan, by the way where the sun goeth down, in the land
of the Canaanites, which dwell in the champaign over against Gilgal, beside the plains of
Moreh?
31 For ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God
giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell therein.
32 And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and judgments which I set before you this
day.

12

1 These *are* the statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, which
the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth.
2 Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall possess served
their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree:*
3 And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with
fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them
out of that place.†
4 Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God.
5 But unto the place which the LORD your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put
his name there, *even* unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come:
6 And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and
heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings
of your herds and of your flocks:
7 And there ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put
your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein the LORD thy God hath blessed thee.
8 Ye shall not do after all *the things* that we do here this day, every man whatsoever *is*
right in his own eyes.
9 For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the LORD your God
giveth you.
10 But *when* ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giveth
you to inherit, and *when* he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye
dwell in safety;
11 Then there shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his name to
dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, and your
sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice vows which
ye vow unto the LORD:‡
12 And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters,
and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that *is* within your gates;
forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance with you.
13 Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou
seest:
14 But in the place which the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer
thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.
15 Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever thy soul
lusteth after, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the
unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.

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* **12:2** possess: or, inherit † **12:3** overthrow: Heb. break down ‡ **12:11** your choice...: Heb. the choice of your vows

16 Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.
17 ¶ Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy
oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor
thy freewill offerings, or heave offering of thine hand:
18 But thou must eat them before the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD thy
God shall choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy
maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates: and thou shalt rejoice before the LORD
thy God in all that thou puttest thine hands unto.
19 Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the
earth.§
20 ¶ When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, as he hath promised thee, and
thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh,
whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.
21 If the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to put his name there be too far from
thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd and of thy flock, which the LORD hath given thee, as I
have commanded thee, and thou shalt eat in thy gates whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.
22 Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the
clean shall eat *of* them alike.
23 Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood *is* the life; and thou mayest not
eat the life with the flesh.**
24 Thou shalt not eat it; thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water.
25 Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee,
when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD.
26 Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt take, and go unto the
place which the LORD shall choose:
27 And thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon the altar of the
LORD thy God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of the
LORD thy God, and thou shalt eat the flesh.
28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee,
and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest *that which is* good and right in
the sight of the LORD thy God.
29 ¶ When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest
to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;††
30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be
destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did
these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.‡‡
31 Thou shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every abomination to the LORD, which
he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they
have burnt in the fire to their gods.§§
32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor
diminish from it.

13

1 If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a
wonder,
2 And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go
after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them;
3 Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for
the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your
heart and with all your soul.
4 Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and
obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him.
5 And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath
spoken to turn *you* away from the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of
Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which
the LORD thy God commanded thee to walk in. So shalt thou put the evil away from the
midst of thee.*

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§ **12:19** as long...: Heb. all thy days ** **12:23** be...: Heb. be strong †† **12:29** succeedest...: Heb. inheritest, or, possessest them ‡‡ **12:30** by...: Heb. after them §§ **12:31** to the: Heb. of the * **13:5** to turn...: Heb. revolt against the LORD

6 ¶ If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy
bosom, or thy friend, which *is* as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and
serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;
7 *Namely*, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off
from thee, from the *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth;
8 Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity
him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:
9 But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall be first upon him to put him to death,
and afterwards the hand of all the people.
10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust
thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the
house of bondage.†
11 And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any such wickedness as this is
among you.
12 ¶ If thou shalt hear *say* in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to
dwell there, saying,
13 *Certain* men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn
the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not
known;‡
14 Then shalt thou enquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and, behold, *if it be* truth,
and the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought among you;
15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword,
destroying it utterly, and all that *is* therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the
sword.
16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt
burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it
shall be an heap for ever; it shall not be built again.
17 And there shall cleave nought of the cursed thing to thine hand: that the LORD may
turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon
thee, and multiply thee, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers;§
18 When thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his command-
ments which I command thee this day, to do *that which is* right in the eyes of the LORD thy
God.

14

1 Ye *are* the children of the LORD your God: ye shall not cut yourselves, nor make any
baldness between your eyes for the dead.
2 For thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to
be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the nations that *are* upon the earth.
3 ¶ Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing.
4 These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat,
5 The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow deer, and the wild goat, and the pygarg, and
the wild ox, and the chamois.*
6 And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, *and*
cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat.
7 Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the
cloven hoof; *as* the camel, and the hare, and the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide
not the hoof; *therefore* they *are* unclean unto you.
8 And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it *is* unclean unto
you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor touch their dead carcase.
9 ¶ These ye shall eat of all that *are* in the waters: all that have fins and scales shall ye eat:
10 And whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat; it *is* unclean unto you.
11 ¶ *Of* all clean birds ye shall eat.
12 But these *are they* of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,
13 And the glede, and the kite, and the vulture after his kind,
14 And every raven after his kind,
15 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,
16 The little owl, and the great owl, and the swan,
17 And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant,

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† **13:10** bondage: Heb. bondmen ‡ **13:13** the children...: or, naughty men § **13:17** cursed: or, devoted * **14:5** pygarg: or bison: Heb. dishon

18 And the stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.
19 And every creeping thing that flieth *is* unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten.
20 *But of* all clean fowls ye may eat.
21 ¶ Ye shall not eat *of* any thing that dieth of itself: thou shalt give it unto the stranger that *is* in thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.
22 Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.
23 And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always.
24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; *or* if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:
25 Then shalt thou turn *it* into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose:
26 And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine household,†
27 And the Levite that *is* within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.
28 ¶ At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay *it* up within thy gates:
29 And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which *are* within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.

15

1 At the end of *every* seven years thou shalt make a release.
2 And this *is* the manner of the release: Every creditor that lendeth *ought* unto his neighbour shall release *it;* he shall not exact *it* of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called the LORD's release.*
3 Of a foreigner thou mayest exact *it again:* but *that* which is thine with thy brother thine hand shall release;
4 Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it:†
5 Only if thou carefully hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command thee this day.
6 For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.
7 ¶ If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:
8 But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, *in that* which he wanteth.
9 Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and he cry unto the LORD against thee, and it be sin unto thee.‡§
10 Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.
11 For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.
12 ¶ *And* if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman, be sold unto thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let him go free from thee.
13 And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him go away empty:

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† **14:26** desireth: Heb. asketh of thee * **15:2** creditor: Heb. master of the lending of his hand † **15:4** Save...: or, To the end that there be no poor among you ‡ **15:9** thought: Heb. word § **15:9** wicked: Heb. Belial

14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy
winepress: *of that* wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto
him.
15 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD
thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.
16 And it shall be, if he say unto thee, I will not go away from thee; because he loveth thee
and thine house, because he is well with thee;
17 Then thou shalt take an aul, and thrust *it* through his ear unto the door, and he shall
be thy servant for ever. And also unto thy maidservant thou shalt do likewise.
18 It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he
hath been worth a double hired servant *to thee*, in serving thee six years: and the LORD
thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest.
19 ¶ All the firstling males that come of thy herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify unto
the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thy bullock, nor shear the
firstling of thy sheep.
20 Thou shalt eat *it* before the LORD thy God year by year in the place which the LORD
shall choose, thou and thy household.
21 And if there be *any* blemish therein, *as if it be* lame, or blind, *or have* any ill blemish,
thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy God.
22 Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean *person shall eat it* alike, as
the roebuck, and as the hart.
23 Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; thou shalt pour it upon the ground as water.

16

1 Observe the month of Abib, and keep the passover unto the LORD thy God: for in the
month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.
2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy God, of the flock and the
herd, in the place which the LORD shall choose to place his name there.
3 Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread
therewith, *even* the bread of affliction; for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in
haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt
all the days of thy life.
4 And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy coast seven days; neither
shall there *any thing* of the flesh, which thou sacrificedst the first day at even, remain all
night until the morning.
5 Thou mayest not sacrifice the passover within any of thy gates, which the LORD thy God
giveth thee:*
6 But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou
shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou
camest forth out of Egypt.
7 And thou shalt roast and eat *it* in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and
thou shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy tents.
8 Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and on the seventh day *shall be* a solemn
assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work *therein*.†
9 ¶ Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from
such time as thou beginnest *to put* the sickle to the corn.
10 And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God with a tribute of a
freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give *unto the LORD thy God*, according as
the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:‡
11 And thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter,
and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates, and the
stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* among you, in the place which the
LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there.
12 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe
and do these statutes.
13 ¶ Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered
in thy corn and thy wine:§

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* **16:5** sacrifice: or, kill † **16:8** solemn...: Heb. restraint ‡ **16:10** a tribute: or, sufficiency § **16:13** corn...: Heb. floor, and thy winepress

14 And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy
manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and
the widow, that *are* within thy gates.
15 Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the LORD thy God in the place which
the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and
in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.
16 ¶ Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place
which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in
the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:
17 Every man *shall give* as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which
he hath given thee.**
18 ¶ Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the LORD thy God
giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just judgment.
19 Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift: for
a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.††
20 That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the
land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.‡‡
21 ¶ Thou shalt not plant thee a grove of any trees near unto the altar of the LORD thy
God, which thou shalt make thee.
22 Neither shalt thou set thee up *any* image; which the LORD thy God hateth.§§

17

1 Thou shalt not sacrifice unto the LORD thy God *any* bullock, or sheep, wherein is
blemish, *or* any evilfavouredness: for that *is* an abomination unto the LORD thy God.*
2 ¶ If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth
thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in
transgressing his covenant,
3 And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon,
or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded;
4 And it be told thee, and thou hast heard *of it*, and enquired diligently, and, behold, *it be*
true, *and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought in Israel:
5 Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that
wicked thing, unto thy gates, *even* that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with
stones, till they die.
6 At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be
put to death; *but* at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.
7 The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward
the hands of all the people. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you.
8 ¶ If there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment, between blood and blood,
between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, *being* matters of controversy within
thy gates: then shalt thou arise, and get thee up into the place which the LORD thy God shall
choose;
9 And thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites, and unto the judge that shall be in
those days, and enquire; and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment:
10 And thou shalt do according to the sentence, which they of that place which the LORD
shall choose shall shew thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they inform
thee:
11 According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the
judgment which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence
which they shall shew thee, *to* the right hand, nor *to* the left.
12 And the man that will do presumptuously, and will not hearken unto the priest that
standeth to minister there before the LORD thy God, or unto the judge, even that man shall
die: and thou shalt put away the evil from Israel.†
13 And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.
14 ¶ When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt
possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the
nations that *are* about me;

** **16:17** as...: Heb. according to the gift of his hand †† **16:19** words: or, matters ‡‡ **16:20** That which...: Heb. Justice, justice §§ **16:22** image: or, statue, or, pillar * **17:1** sheep: or, goat † **17:12** and will...: Heb. not to hearken

15 Thou shalt in any wise set *him* king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose:
one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger
over thee, which *is* not thy brother.
16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt,
to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye
shall henceforth return no more that way.
17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall
he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.
18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him
a copy of this law in a book out of *that which is* before the priests the Levites:
19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may
learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do
them:
20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the
commandment, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left: to the end that he may prolong *his* days in
his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

18

1 The priests the Levites, *and* all the tribe of Levi, shall have no part nor inheritance with
Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.
2 Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD *is* their
inheritance, as he hath said unto them.
3 ¶ And this shall be the priest's due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice,
whether *it be* ox or sheep; and they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two
cheeks, and the maw.
4 The firstfruit *also* of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the first of the fleece of
thy sheep, shalt thou give him.
5 For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the
name of the LORD, him and his sons for ever.
6 ¶ And if a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he sojourned, and
come with all the desire of his mind unto the place which the LORD shall choose;
7 Then he shall minister in the name of the LORD his God, as all his brethren the Levites
do, which stand there before the LORD.
8 They shall have like portions to eat, beside that which cometh of the sale of his
patrimony.*
9 ¶ When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not
learn to do after the abominations of those nations.
10 There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son or his daughter to
pass through the fire, *or* that useth divination, *or* an observer of times, or an enchanter, or
a witch,
11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.
12 For all that do these things *are* an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these
abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.
13 Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God.†
14 For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and
unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so *to do*.‡
15 ¶ The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy
brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;
16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the
assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see
this great fire any more, that I die not.
17 And the LORD said unto me, They have well *spoken that* which they have spoken.
18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put
my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.
19 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he
shall speak in my name, I will require *it* of him.
20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not
commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet
shall die.

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* **18:8** that...: Heb. his sale by the fathers † **18:13** perfect: or, upright, or, sincere ‡ **18:14** possess: or, inherit

21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not
spoken?
22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come
to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the prophet hath spoken it
presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

19

1 When the LORD thy God hath cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giveth
thee, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses;*
2 Thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy
God giveth thee to possess it.
3 Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide the coasts of thy land, which the LORD thy
God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every slayer may flee thither.
4 ¶ And this *is* the case of the slayer, which shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoso
killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he hated not in time past;†
5 As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand
fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the helve,
and lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of those cities, and
live:‡§**
6 Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him,
because the way is long, and slay him; whereas he *was* not worthy of death, inasmuch as
he hated him not in time past.††‡‡
7 Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee.
8 And if the LORD thy God enlarge thy coast, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, and give
thee all the land which he promised to give unto thy fathers;
9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day,
to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities
more for thee, beside these three:
10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for*
an inheritance, and *so* blood be upon thee.
11 ¶ But if any man hate his neighbour, and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him,
and smite him mortally that he die, and fleeth into one of these cities:§§
12 Then the elders of his city shall send and fetch him thence, and deliver him into the
hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die.
13 Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou shalt put away *the guilt of* innocent blood from
Israel, that it may go well with thee.
14 ¶ Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's landmark, which they of old time have set in
thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee
to possess it.
15 ¶ One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin
that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall
the matter be established.
16 ¶ If a false witness rise up against any man to testify against him *that which is*
wrong;***
17 Then both the men, between whom the controversy *is*, shall stand before the LORD,
before the priests and the judges, which shall be in those days;
18 And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, *if* the witness *be* a false
witness, *and* hath testified falsely against his brother;
19 Then shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother: so shalt
thou put the evil away from among you.
20 And those which remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more
any such evil among you.
21 And thine eye shall not pity; *but* life *shall go* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand
for hand, foot for foot.

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* **19:1** succeedest: Heb. inheritest, or, possessest † **19:4** in...: Heb. from yesterday the third day ‡ **19:5** head: Heb. iron § **19:5** helve: Heb. wood ** **19:5** lighteth...: Heb. findeth †† **19:6** slay...: Heb. smite him in life ‡‡ **19:6** in...: Heb. from yesterday the third day §§ **19:11** mortally: Heb. in life *** **19:16** that...: or, falling away

20

1 When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, *and*
a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee, which
brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.
2 And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach
and speak unto the people,
3 And shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your
enemies: let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ye terrified
because of them;*†
4 For the LORD your God *is* he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies,
to save you.
5 ¶ And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man *is there* that hath built
a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in
the battle, and another man dedicate it.
6 And what man *is he* that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not *yet* eaten of it? let him
also go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man eat of it.‡
7 And what man *is there* that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go
and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her.
8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, What man
is there that is fearful and fainthearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his
brethren's heart faint as well as his heart.§
9 And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking unto the people, that
they shall make captains of the armies to lead the people.**
10 ¶ When thou comest nigh unto a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace unto it.
11 And it shall be, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be,
that all the people *that is* found therein shall be tributaries unto thee, and they shall serve
thee.
12 And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt
besiege it:
13 And when the LORD thy God hath delivered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite every
male thereof with the edge of the sword:
14 But the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, *even* all
the spoil thereof, shalt thou take unto thyself; and thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies,
which the LORD thy God hath given thee.††
15 Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities *which are* very far off from thee, which *are* not of
the cities of these nations.
16 But of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth give thee *for* an
inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth:
17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; *namely*, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the
Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath
commanded thee:
18 That they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto
their gods; so should ye sin against the LORD your God.
19 ¶ When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, in making war against it to take it, thou
shalt not destroy the trees thereof by forcing an axe against them: for thou mayest eat of
them, and thou shalt not cut them down (for the tree of the field *is* man's *life*) to employ
them in the siege:‡‡§§
20 Only the trees which thou knowest that they *be* not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy
and cut them down; and thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with
thee, until it be subdued.***

21

1 If *one* be found slain in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it, lying
in the field, *and* it be not known who hath slain him:
2 Then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and they shall measure unto the cities
which *are* round about him that is slain:

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* **20:3** faint: Heb. be tender † **20:3** tremble: Heb. make haste ‡ **20:6** eaten...: Heb. made it common § **20:8** faint: Heb. melt ** **20:9** to lead...: Heb. to be in the head of the people †† **20:14** take: Heb. spoil ‡‡ **20:19** for the...: or, for, O man, the tree of the field is to be employed in the siege §§ **20:19** to employ...: Heb. to go from before thee *** **20:20** it...: Heb. it come down

3 And it shall be, *that* the city *which is* next unto the slain man, even the elders of that city
shall take an heifer, which hath not been wrought with, *and* which hath not drawn in the
yoke;
4 And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a rough valley, which is
neither eared nor sown, and shall strike off the heifer's neck there in the valley:
5 And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near; for them the LORD thy God hath chosen
to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of the LORD; and by their word shall every
controversy and every stroke be *tried:*[*]
6 And all the elders of that city, *that are* next unto the slain *man*, shall wash their hands
over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley:
7 And they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our
eyes seen *it*.
8 Be merciful, O LORD, unto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and lay not
innocent blood unto thy people of Israel's charge. And the blood shall be forgiven them.[†]
9 So shalt thou put away the *guilt of* innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do
that which is right in the sight of the LORD.
10 ¶ When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, and the LORD thy God hath
delivered them into thine hands, and thou hast taken them captive,
11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire unto her, that thou
wouldest have her to thy wife;
12 Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house; and she shall shave her head, and pare
her nails;[‡]
13 And she shall put the raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine
house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month: and after that thou shalt go in
unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.
14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go whither she
will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her,
because thou hast humbled her.
15 ¶ If a man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him
children, *both* the beloved and the hated; and *if* the firstborn son be hers that was hated:
16 Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherit *that* which he hath, *that* he may
not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, *which is indeed* the
firstborn:
17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated *for* the firstborn, by giving him a double
portion of all that he hath: for he *is* the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn
is his.[§]
18 ¶ If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey the voice of his
father, or the voice of his mother, and *that*, when they have chastened him, will not hearken
unto them:
19 Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders
of his city, and unto the gate of his place;
20 And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son *is* stubborn and rebellious,
he will not obey our voice; *he is* a glutton, and a drunkard.
21 And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put
evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear.
22 ¶ And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and
thou hang him on a tree:
23 His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him
that day; (for he that is hanged *is* accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, which the
LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.[**]

22

1 Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them:
thou shalt in any case bring them again unto thy brother.
2 And if thy brother *be* not nigh unto thee, or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring
it unto thine own house, and it shall be with thee until thy brother seek after it, and thou
shalt restore it to him again.

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[*] **21:5** word: Heb. mouth [†] **21:8** unto thy people of: Heb. in the midst, etc [‡] **21:12** pare: or, suffer to grow: Heb. make, or, dress [§] **21:17** that...: Heb. that is found with him [**] **21:23** accursed...: Heb. the curse of God

3 In like manner shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and
with all lost thing of thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do
likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself.
4 ¶ Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fall down by the way, and hide thyself
from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift *them* up again.
5 ¶ The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put
on a woman's garment: for all that do so *are* abomination unto the LORD thy God.
6 ¶ If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way in any tree, or on the ground,
whether they be young ones, or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs,
thou shalt not take the dam with the young:
7 *But* thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, and take the young to thee; that it may be well
with thee, and *that* thou mayest prolong *thy* days.
8 ¶ When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that
thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence.
9 ¶ Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which
thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be defiled.*
10 ¶ Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together.
11 ¶ Thou shalt not wear a garment of divers sorts, *as* of woollen and linen together.
12 ¶ Thou shalt make thee fringes upon the four quarters of thy vesture, wherewith thou
coverest *thyself*.†
13 ¶ If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her,
14 And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say,
I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:
15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth *the tokens of*
the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate:
16 And the damsel's father shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to
wife, and he hateth her;
17 And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech *against her*, saying, I found not thy daughter
a maid; and yet these *are the tokens of* my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the
cloth before the elders of the city.
18 And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him;
19 And they shall amerce him in an hundred *shekels* of silver, and give *them* unto the
father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and
she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days.
20 But if this thing be true, *and the tokens of* virginity be not found for the damsel:
21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of
her city shall stone her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel,
to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou put evil away from among you.
22 ¶ If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both
of them die, *both* the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away
evil from Israel.
23 ¶ If a damsel *that is* a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the
city, and lie with her;
24 Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them
with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, *being* in the city; and the man,
because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among
you.
25 ¶ But if a man find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man force her, and lie with
her: then the man only that lay with her shall die:‡
26 But unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; *there is* in the damsel no sin *worthy* of death:
for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth him, even so *is* this matter:
27 For he found her in the field, *and* the betrothed damsel cried, and *there was* none to
save her.
28 ¶ If a man find a damsel *that is* a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her,
and lie with her, and they be found;
29 Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty *shekels* of silver,
and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his
days.
30 ¶ A man shall not take his father's wife, nor discover his father's skirt.

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* **22:9** fruit of thy seed: Heb. fulness of the seed † **22:12** quarters: Heb. wings ‡ **22:25** force: or, take strong hold of

23

1 He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into
the congregation of the LORD.
2 A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to his tenth generation
shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD.
3 An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to
their tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the LORD for ever:
4 Because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth
out of Egypt; and because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of
Mesopotamia, to curse thee.
5 Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God
turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee.
6 Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days for ever.*
7 ¶ Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; for he *is* thy brother: thou shalt not abhor an
Egyptian; because thou wast a stranger in his land.
8 The children that are begotten of them shall enter into the congregation of the LORD in
their third generation.
9 ¶ When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee from every wicked
thing.
10 ¶ If there be among you any man, that is not clean by reason of uncleanness that
chanceth him by night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within
the camp:
11 But it shall be, when evening cometh on, he shall wash *himself* with water: and when
the sun is down, he shall come into the camp *again*.†
12 ¶ Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou shalt go forth abroad:
13 And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy weapon; and it shall be, when thou wilt ease
thyself abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh
from thee:‡
14 For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up
thine enemies before thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no unclean thing
in thee, and turn away from thee.§
15 ¶ Thou shalt not deliver unto his master the servant which is escaped from his master
unto thee:
16 He shall dwell with thee, *even* among you, in that place which he shall choose in one
of thy gates, where it liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him.**
17 ¶ There shall be no whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of
Israel.††
18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house of the
LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these *are* abomination unto the LORD thy God.
19 ¶ Thou shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals,
usury of any thing that is lent upon usury:
20 Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend
upon usury: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all that thou settest thine hand to in
the land whither thou goest to possess it.
21 ¶ When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for
the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee.
22 But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee.
23 That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; *even* a freewill offering,
according as thou hast vowed unto the LORD thy God, which thou hast promised with thy
mouth.
24 ¶ When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard, then thou mayest eat grapes thy
fill at thine own pleasure; but thou shalt not put *any* in thy vessel.
25 When thou comest into the standing corn of thy neighbour, then thou mayest pluck the
ears with thine hand; but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.

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* **23:6** prosperity: Heb. good † **23:11** cometh...: Heb. turneth toward ‡ **23:13** wilt...: Heb. sittest down § **23:14** unclean...: Heb. nakedness of any thing ** **23:16** liketh...: Heb. is good for him †† **23:17** whore: or, sodomitess

24

1 When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no
favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her
a bill of divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and send her out of his house.*†
2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's *wife*.
3 And *if* the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth *it* in
her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her *to*
be his wife;
4 Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after
that she is defiled; for that *is* abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the
land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.
5 ¶ When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, neither shall he be
charged with any business: *but* he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his
wife which he hath taken.‡
6 ¶ No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh *a man's*
life to pledge.
7 ¶ If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh
merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away
from among you.
8 ¶ Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to
all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, *so* ye shall observe
to do.
9 Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam by the way, after that ye were come
forth out of Egypt.
10 ¶ When thou dost lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go into his house to fetch
his pledge.§
11 Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring out the
pledge abroad unto thee.
12 And if the man *be* poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge:
13 In any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that
he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee
before the LORD thy God.
14 ¶ Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant *that is* poor and needy, *whether he be* of thy
brethren, or of thy strangers that *are* in thy land within thy gates:
15 At his day thou shalt give *him* his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he
is poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin
unto thee.**
16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put
to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.
17 ¶ Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherless; nor take a
widow's raiment to pledge:
18 But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God
redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.
19 ¶ When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field,
thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the
widow: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.
20 When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be
for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.††
21 When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean *it* afterward: it
shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.‡‡
22 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I
command thee to do this thing.

25

1 If there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that *the judges*
may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.

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* **24:1** some...: Heb. matter of nakedness † **24:1** divorcement: Heb. cutting off ‡ **24:5** neither...: Heb. not any thing shall pass upon him § **24:10** lend...: Heb. lend the loan of any thing to, etc ** **24:15** setteth...: Heb. lifteth his soul unto it †† **24:20** go...: Heb. bough it after thee ‡‡ **24:21** afterward: Heb. after thee

2 And it shall be, if the wicked man *be* worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him
to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.
3 Forty stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest, *if* he should exceed, and beat him
above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.
4 ¶ Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out *the corn*.*
5 ¶ If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead
shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and
take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.†
6 And it shall be, *that* the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his
brother *which is* dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.
7 And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the
gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a
name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.‡
8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and *if* he stand *to it*, and
say, I like not to take her;
9 Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his
shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto
that man that will not build up his brother's house.
10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.
11 ¶ When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near
for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her
hand, and taketh him by the secrets:
12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity *her*.
13 ¶ Thou shalt not have in thy bag divers weights, a great and a small.§
14 Thou shalt not have in thine house divers measures, a great and a small.**
15 *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou
have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
16 For all that do such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination unto the
LORD thy God.
17 ¶ Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of
Egypt;
18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, *even* all *that were* feeble
behind thee, when thou *wast* faint and weary; and he feared not God.
19 Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thine
enemies round about, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance
to possess it, *that* thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou
shalt not forget *it*.

26

1 And it shall be, when thou *art* come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth
thee *for* an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein;
2 That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy
land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put *it* in a basket, and shalt go unto the
place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.
3 And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess
this day unto the LORD thy God, that I am come unto the country which the LORD sware
unto our fathers for to give us.
4 And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it down before the altar
of the LORD thy God.
5 And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian ready to perish *was* my
father, and he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there with a few, and became there a
nation, great, mighty, and populous:
6 And the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage:
7 And when we cried unto the LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and
looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression:
8 And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an
outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:

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* **25:4** treadeth...: Heb. thresheth † **25:5** her husband's...: or, her next kinsman ‡ **25:7** brother's: or, next kinsman's
§ **25:13** divers...: Heb. a stone and a stone ** **25:14** divers...: Heb. an ephah and an ephah

9 And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, *even* a land that
floweth with milk and honey.
10 And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast
given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy
God:
11 And thou shalt rejoice in every good *thing* which the LORD thy God hath given unto
thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that *is* among you.
12 ¶ When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine increase the third year,
which is the year of tithing, and hast given *it* unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless,
and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled;
13 Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I have brought away the hallowed things
out of *mine* house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to
the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy commandments which thou hast
commanded me: I have not transgressed thy commandments, neither have I forgotten
them:
14 I have not eaten thereof in my mourning, neither have I taken away *ought* thereof for
any unclean *use*, nor given *ought* thereof for the dead: *but* I have hearkened to the voice of
the LORD my God, *and* have done according to all that thou hast commanded me.
15 Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the
land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land that floweth with
milk and honey.
16 ¶ This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments:
thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.
17 Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and
to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his
voice:
18 And the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath
promised thee, and that *thou* shouldest keep all his commandments;
19 And to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name,
and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath
spoken.

27

1 And Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the
commandments which I command you this day.
2 And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over Jordan unto the land which the LORD
thy God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee up great stones, and plaister them with plaister:
3 And thou shalt write upon them all the words of this law, when thou art passed over, that
thou mayest go in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, a land that floweth
with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee.
4 Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan, *that* ye shall set up these stones,
which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with plaister.
5 And there shalt thou build an altar unto the LORD thy God, an altar of stones: thou shalt
not lift up *any* iron *tool* upon them.
6 Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones: and thou shalt offer
burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD thy God:
7 And thou shalt offer peace offerings, and shalt eat there, and rejoice before the LORD
thy God.
8 And thou shalt write upon the stones all the words of this law very plainly.
9 ¶ And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel, saying, Take heed, and
hearken, O Israel; this day thou art become the people of the LORD thy God.
10 Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his commandments
and his statutes, which I command thee this day.
11 ¶ And Moses charged the people the same day, saying,
12 These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are come over
Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin:
13 And these shall stand upon mount Ebal to curse; Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun,
Dan, and Naphtali.*
14 ¶ And the Levites shall speak, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice,

* **27:13** to curse: Heb. for a cursing

15 Cursed *be* the man that maketh *any* graven or molten image, an abomination unto the
LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth *it* in *a* secret *place.* And all the
people shall answer and say, Amen.
16 Cursed *be* he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say,
Amen.
17 Cursed *be* he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say,
Amen.
18 Cursed *be* he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall
say, Amen.
19 Cursed *be* he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And
all the people shall say, Amen.
20 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt.
And all the people shall say, Amen.
21 Cursed *be* he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen.
22 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his
mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.
23 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.
24 Cursed *be* he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, Amen.
25 Cursed *be* he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall
say, Amen.
26 Cursed *be* he that confirmeth not *all* the words of this law to do them. And all the people
shall say, Amen.

28

1 And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy
God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the
LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:
2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto
the voice of the LORD thy God.
3 Blessed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.
4 Blessed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy
cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
5 Blessed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.*
6 Blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest
out.
7 The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy
face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.
8 The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou
settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth
thee.†
9 The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee,
if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.
10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and
they shall be afraid of thee.
11 And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the
fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto
thy fathers to give thee.‡§
12 The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy
land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many
nations, and thou shalt not borrow.
13 And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only,
and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD
thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them:*
14 And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, *to*
the right hand, or *to* the left, to go after other gods to serve them.
15 ¶ But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God,
to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day;
that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:
16 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.

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* **28:5** store: or, dough, or, kneadingtroughs † **28:8** storehouses: or, barns ‡ **28:11** in goods: or, for good § **28:11** body: Heb. belly

17 Cursed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.
18 Cursed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
19 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.
20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.**
21 The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it.
22 The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish.††
23 And thy heaven that *is* over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee *shall be* iron.
24 The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.
25 The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.‡‡
26 And thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray *them* away.
27 The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed.
28 The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:
29 And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save *thee*.
30 Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes thereof.§§
31 Thine ox *shall be* slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass *shall be* violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep *shall be* given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue *them*.***
32 Thy sons and thy daughters *shall be* given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail *with longing* for them all the day long: and *there shall be* no might in thine hand.
33 The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed alway:
34 So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.
35 The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the top of thy head.
36 The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.
37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee.
38 Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather *but* little in; for the locust shall consume it.
39 Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress *them*, but shalt neither drink *of* the wine, nor gather *the grapes;* for the worms shall eat them.
40 Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thyself* with the oil; for thine olive shall cast *his fruit*.
41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.†††
42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust consume.‡‡‡

** **28:20** for...: Heb. which thou wouldest do †† **28:22** sword: or, drought ‡‡ **28:25** removed: Heb. for a removing §§ **28:30** gather...: Heb. profane, or, use it as common meat *** **28:31** shall not...: Heb. shall not return to thee ††† **28:41** thou shalt not...: Heb. they shall not be thine ‡‡‡ **28:42** consume: or, possess

43 The stranger that *is* within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come
down very low.
44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou
shalt be the tail.
45 Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake
thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy
God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:
46 And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever.
47 Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of
heart, for the abundance of all *things;*
48 Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in
hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things:* and he shall put a yoke
of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.
49 The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, *as swift*
as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand;§§§
50 A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew
favour to the young:*
51 And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed:
which *also* shall not leave thee *either* corn, wine, or oil, *or* the increase of thy kine, or flocks
of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.
52 And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down,
wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates
throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.
53 And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters,
which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith
thine enemies shall distress thee:†
54 *So that* the man *that is* tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward
his brother, and toward the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children
which he shall leave:
55 So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall
eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine
enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.
56 The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole
of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward
the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter,
57 And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her
children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all *things* secretly in the
siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.‡
58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that
thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD;
59 Then the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, *even*
great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.
60 Moreover he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of;
and they shall cleave unto thee.
61 Also every sickness, and every plague, which *is* not written in the book of this law,
them will the LORD bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed.§
62 And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for
multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the LORD thy God.
63 And it shall come to pass, *that* as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to
multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought;
and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.
64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even
unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers
have known, *even* wood and stone.
65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have
rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow
of mind:

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§§§ **28:49** understand: Heb. hear * **28:50** of fierce...: Heb. strong of face † **28:53** body: Heb. belly ‡ **28:57** young one: Heb. afterbirth § **28:61** bring: Heb. cause to ascend

66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and
shalt have none assurance of thy life:
67 In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say,
Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for
the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.
68 And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake
unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies
for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy *you*.

29

1 These *are* the words of the covenant, which the LORD commanded Moses to make with
the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them
in Horeb.
2 ¶ And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, Ye have seen all that the LORD
did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto
all his land;
3 The great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles:
4 Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear,
unto this day.
5 And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon
you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.
6 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might
know that I *am* the LORD your God.
7 And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of
Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them:
8 And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the
Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.
9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that
ye do.
10 ¶ Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your captains of your tribes,
your elders, and your officers, *with* all the men of Israel,
11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that *is* in thy camp, from the hewer of thy
wood unto the drawer of thy water:
12 That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and into his oath,
which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day:*
13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and *that* he may be unto
thee a God, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham,
to Isaac, and to Jacob.
14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;
15 But with *him* that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also
with *him* that *is* not here with us this day:
16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the
nations which ye passed by;
17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold,
which *were* among them:)†
18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart
turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations;
lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood;‡
19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in
his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add
drunkenness to thirst:§**
20 The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall
smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him,
and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven.
21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to
all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law:††

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* **29:12** enter: Heb. pass † **29:17** idols: Heb. dungy gods ‡ **29:18** gall: or, a poisonous herb: Heb. rosh § **29:19** imagination: or, stubbornness ** **29:19** drunkenness...: Heb. the drunken to the thirsty †† **29:21** are: Heb. is

22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the
stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land,
and the sicknesses which the LORD hath laid upon it;‡‡
23 *And that* the whole land thereof *is* brimstone, and salt, *and* burning, *that* it is not sown,
nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah,
Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:
24 Even all nations shall say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what
meaneth the heat of this great anger?
25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their
fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:
26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew
not, and *whom* he had not given unto them:§§***
27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses
that are written in this book:
28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great
indignation, and cast them into another land, as *it is* this day.
29 The secret *things belong* unto the LORD our God: but those *things which are* revealed
belong unto us and to our children for ever, that *we* may do all the words of this law.

30

1 And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the
curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call *them* to mind among all the nations,
whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee,
2 And shalt return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that
I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul;
3 That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and
will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered
thee.
4 If *any* of thine be driven out unto the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will the
LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee:
5 And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and
thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.
6 And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the
LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.
7 And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that
hate thee, which persecuted thee.
8 And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments
which I command thee this day.
9 And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand, in the
fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the
LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers:
10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments
and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, *and* if thou turn unto the LORD
thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.
11 ¶ For this commandment which I command thee this day, it *is* not hidden from thee,
neither *is* it far off.
12 It *is* not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring
it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
13 Neither *is* it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us,
and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?
14 But the word *is* very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest
do it.
15 ¶ See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;
16 In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and
to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and
multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess
it.
17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and
worship other gods, and serve them;

‡‡ **29:22** which...: Heb. wherewith the LORD hath made it sick §§ **29:26** whom he...: or, who had not given to them any portion *** **29:26** given: Heb. divided

18 I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and that* ye shall not prolong
your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.
19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life
and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may
live:
20 That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voice, and
that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he *is* thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou
mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and
to Jacob, to give them.

31

1 And Moses went and spake these words unto all Israel.
2 And he said unto them, I *am* an hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more
go out and come in: also the LORD hath said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.
3 The LORD thy God, he will go over before thee, *and* he will destroy these nations from
before thee, and thou shalt possess them: *and* Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as the
LORD hath said.
4 And the LORD shall do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og, kings of the Amorites,
and unto the land of them, whom he destroyed.
5 And the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do unto them according
unto all the commandments which I have commanded you.
6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God,
he *it is* that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.
7 ¶ And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong
and of a good courage: for thou must go with this people unto the land which the LORD
hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.
8 And the LORD, he *it is* that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee,
neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.
9 ¶ And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which
bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel.
10 And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of *every* seven years, in the solemnity
of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles,
11 When all Israel is come to appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall
choose, thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing.
12 Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that *is*
within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God,
and observe to do all the words of this law:
13 And *that* their children, which have not known *any thing*, may hear, and learn to fear
the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.
14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thy days approach that thou must die: call
Joshua, and present yourselves in the tabernacle of the congregation, that I may give him
a charge. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the
congregation.
15 And the LORD appeared in the tabernacle in a pillar of a cloud: and the pillar of the
cloud stood over the door of the tabernacle.
16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thou shalt sleep with thy fathers; and this
people will rise up, and go a whoring after the gods of the strangers of the land, whither
they go *to be* among them, and will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made
with them.*
17 Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I
will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall
befall them; so that they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us, because our
God *is* not among us?†
18 And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evils which they shall have
wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods.
19 Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel: put it in
their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel.
20 For when I shall have brought them into the land which I sware unto their fathers, that
floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen

* **31:16** sleep: Heb. lie down † **31:17** befall: Heb. find

fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant.
21 And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are befallen them, that this
song shall testify against them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths
of their seed: for I know their imagination which they go about, even now, before I have
brought them into the land which I sware.‡§
22 ¶ Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel.
23 And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of a good courage:
for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I sware unto them: and I will
be with thee.
24 ¶ And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law
in a book, until they were finished,
25 That Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD,
saying,
26 Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD
your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.
27 For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this
day, ye have been rebellious against the LORD; and how much more after my death?
28 ¶ Gather unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these
words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to record against them.
29 For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt *yourselves*, and turn aside from
the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because
ye will do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of your
hands.
30 And Moses spake in the ears of all the congregation of Israel the words of this song,
until they were ended.

32

1 Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.
2 My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain
upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:
3 Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our God.
4 *He is* the Rock, his work *is* perfect: for all his ways *are* judgment: a God of truth and
without iniquity, just and right *is* he.
5 They have corrupted themselves, their spot *is* not *the spot* of his children: *they are* a
perverse and crooked generation.*†
6 Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? *is* not he thy father *that* hath
bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee?
7 ¶ Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father,
and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.‡
8 When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the
sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of
Israel.
9 For the LORD's portion *is* his people; Jacob *is* the lot of his inheritance.§
10 He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about,
he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.**
11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her
wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:
12 *So* the LORD alone did lead him, and *there was* no strange god with him.
13 He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the
fields; and he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock;
14 Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan,
and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.
15 ¶ But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou
art covered *with fatness;* then he forsook God *which* made him, and lightly esteemed the
Rock of his salvation.
16 They provoked him to jealousy with strange *gods*, with abominations provoked they
him to anger.

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‡ **31:21** against: Heb. before § **31:21** go...: Heb. do * **32:5** They have...: Heb. He hath corrupted to himself † **32:5** their...: or, that they are not his children, that is their blot ‡ **32:7** many...: Heb. generation and generation § **32:9** lot: Heb. cord ** **32:10** led: or, compassed

17 They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new *gods that* came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.††
18 Of the Rock *that* begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee.
19 And when the LORD saw *it*, he abhorred *them*, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters.‡‡
20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end *shall be:* for they *are* a very froward generation, children in whom *is* no faith.
21 They have moved me to jealousy with *that which is* not God; they have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with *those which are* not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation.
22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.§§***
23 I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them.
24 *They shall be* burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust.†††
25 The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling *also* with the man of gray hairs.‡‡‡§§§
26 I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men:
27 Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, *and* lest they should say, Our hand *is* high, and the LORD hath not done all this.*
28 For they *are* a nation void of counsel, neither *is there any* understanding in them.
29 O that they were wise, *that* they understood this, *that* they would consider their latter end!
30 How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?
31 For their rock *is* not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves *being* judges.
32 For their vine *is* of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes *are* grapes of gall, their clusters *are* bitter:†
33 Their wine *is* the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps.
34 *Is* not this laid up in store with me, *and* sealed up among my treasures?
35 To me *belongeth* vengeance, and recompence; their foot shall slide in *due* time: for the day of their calamity *is* at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste.
36 For the LORD shall judge his people, and repent himself for his servants, when he seeth that *their* power is gone, and *there is* none shut up, or left.‡
37 And he shall say, Where *are* their gods, *their* rock in whom they trusted,
38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, *and* drank the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, *and* be your protection.§
39 See now that I, *even* I, *am* he, and *there is* no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither *is there any* that can deliver out of my hand.
40 For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever.
41 If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.
42 I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; *and that* with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy.
43 Rejoice, O ye nations, *with* his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, *and* to his people.**
44 ¶ And Moses came and spake all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he, and Hoshea the son of Nun.††
45 And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel:

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†† **32:17** not to...: or, which were not God ‡‡ **32:19** abhorred: or, despised §§ **32:22** shall burn: or, hath burned *** **32:22** shall consume: or, hath consumed ††† **32:24** heat: Heb. coals ‡‡‡ **32:25** within: Heb. from the chambers §§§ **32:25** destroy: Heb. bereave * **32:27** Our...: or, Our high hand, and not the LORD hath done † **32:32** of the vine: or, worse than the vine ‡ **32:36** power: Heb. hand § **32:38** your...: Heb. an hiding for you ** **32:43** Rejoice...: or, Praise his people, ye nations: or, Sing ye †† **32:44** Hoshea: or, Joshua

46 And he said unto them, Set your hearts unto all the words which I testify among you
this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do, all the words of this law.
47 For it *is* not a vain thing for you; because it *is* your life: and through this thing ye shall
prolong *your* days in the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.
48 And the LORD spake unto Moses that selfsame day, saying,
49 Get thee up into this mountain Abarim, *unto* mount Nebo, which *is* in the land of Moab,
that *is* over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children
of Israel for a possession:
50 And die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto thy people; as Aaron
thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people:
51 Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of
Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the
children of Israel.‡‡
52 Yet thou shalt see the land before *thee;* but thou shalt not go thither unto the land which
I give the children of Israel.

33

1 And this *is* the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel
before his death.
2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined
forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand
went a fiery law for them.*
3 Yea, he loved the people; all his saints *are* in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet;
every one shall receive of thy words.
4 Moses commanded us a law, *even* the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob.
5 And he was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people *and* the tribes of Israel were
gathered together.
6 ¶ Let Reuben live, and not die; and let *not* his men be few.
7 ¶ And this *is the blessing* of Judah: and he said, Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, and bring
him unto his people: let his hands be sufficient for him; and be thou an help *to him* from
his enemies.
8 ¶ And of Levi he said, *Let* thy Thummim and thy Urim *be* with thy holy one, whom thou
didst prove at Massah, *and with* whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah;
9 Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he
acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word,
and kept thy covenant.
10 They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before
thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.†‡§
11 Bless, LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands: smite through the loins
of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not again.
12 ¶ *And* of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; *and
the* LORD shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders.
13 ¶ And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD *be* his land, for the precious things of
heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,
14 And for the precious fruits *brought forth* by the sun, and for the precious things put
forth by the moon,**††
15 And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the
lasting hills,
16 And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and *for* the good will of
him that dwelt in the bush: let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top
of the head of him *that was* separated from his brethren.
17 His glory *is like* the firstling of his bullock, and his horns *are like* the horns of unicorns:
with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they *are* the ten
thousands of Ephraim, and they *are* the thousands of Manasseh.‡‡
18 ¶ And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents.

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‡‡ **32:51** Meribah-Kadesh: or, strife at Kadesh * **33:2** a fiery...: Heb. a fire of law † **33:10** They shall teach: or, Let them teach ‡ **33:10** they shall put: or, let them put § **33:10** before...: Heb. at thy nose ** **33:14** put: Heb. thrust †† **33:14** moon: Heb. moons ‡‡ **33:17** unicorns: Heb. an unicorn

19 They shall call the people unto the mountain; there they shall offer sacrifices of
righteousness: for they shall suck *of* the abundance of the seas, and *of* treasures hid in
the sand.
20 ¶ And of Gad he said, Blessed *be* he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and
teareth the arm with the crown of the head.
21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, *in* a portion of the lawgiver,
was he seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the
LORD, and his judgments with Israel.§§
22 ¶ And of Dan he said, Dan *is* a lion's whelp: he shall leap from Bashan.
23 ¶ And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing
of the LORD: possess thou the west and the south.
24 ¶ And of Asher he said, *Let* Asher *be* blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his
brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil.
25 Thy shoes *shall be* iron and brass; and as thy days, *so shall* thy strength *be*.***
26 ¶ *There is* none like unto the God of Jeshurun, *who* rideth upon the heaven in thy help,
and in his excellency on the sky.
27 The eternal God *is thy* refuge, and underneath *are* the everlasting arms: and he shall
thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy *them*.
28 Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob *shall be* upon a land of
corn and wine; also his heavens shall drop down dew.
29 Happy *art* thou, O Israel: who *is* like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield
of thy help, and who *is* the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars
unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.†††

34

1 And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of
Pisgah, that *is* over against Jericho. And the LORD shewed him all the land of Gilead, unto
Dan,*
2 And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah,
unto the utmost sea,
3 And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar.
4 And the LORD said unto him, This *is* the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac,
and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see *it* with thine
eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither.
5 ¶ So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the
word of the LORD.
6 And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but no man
knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.
7 ¶ And Moses *was* an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim,
nor his natural force abated.†‡
8 ¶ And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days: so the
days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses were ended.
9 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his
hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD
commanded Moses.
10 ¶ And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew
face to face,
11 In all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt to
Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land,
12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed in the sight
of all Israel.

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§§ **33:21** seated: Heb. cieled *** **33:25** Thy shoes: or, Under thy shoes ††† **33:29** found...: or, subdued * **34:1** Pisgah: or, the hill † **34:7** natural...: Heb. moisture ‡ **34:7** abated: Heb. fled

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1 Now after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD
spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying,
2 Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this
people, unto the land which I do give to them, *even* to the children of Israel.
3 Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I
said unto Moses.
4 From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates,
all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall
be your coast.
5 There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was
with Moses, *so* I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.
6 Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an
inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.*
7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to
all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it *to* the right hand
or *to* the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.†
8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein
day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for
then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.‡
9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be
thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee whithersoever thou goest.
10 ¶ Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying,
11 Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for
within three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the
LORD your God giveth you to possess it.
12 ¶ And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to half the tribe of Manasseh, spake
Joshua, saying,
13 Remember the word which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying,
The LORD your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this land.
14 Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in the land which Moses gave
you on this side Jordan; but ye shall pass before your brethren armed, all the mighty men
of valour, and help them;§
15 Until the LORD have given your brethren rest, as *he hath given* you, and they also have
possessed the land which the LORD your God giveth them: then ye shall return unto the
land of your possession, and enjoy it, which Moses the LORD's servant gave you on this side
Jordan toward the sunrising.
16 ¶ And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and
whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.
17 According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee:
only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses.
18 Whosoever *he be* that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will not hearken unto
thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of
a good courage.

2

1 And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go view
the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and
lodged there.*†
2 And it was told the king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men in hither to night of
the children of Israel to search out the country.
3 And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to
thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the country.
4 And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There came men unto
me, but I wist not whence they *were:*

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* **1:6** unto this...: or, thou shalt cause this people to inherit the land, etc † **1:7** prosper: or, do wisely ‡ **1:8** have...: or, do wisely § **1:14** armed: Heb. marshalled by five * **2:1** sent: or, had sent † **2:1** lodged: Heb. lay

5 And it came to pass *about the time* of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men
went out: whither the men went I wot not: pursue after them quickly; for ye shall overtake
them.
6 But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them with the stalks of
flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof.
7 And the men pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they
which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate.
8 ¶ And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof;
9 And she said unto the men, I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that your
terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.‡
10 For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye
came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that *were* on the
other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.
11 And as soon as we had heard *these things*, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain
any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he *is* God in heaven
above, and in earth beneath.§
12 Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by the LORD, since I have shewed you
kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my father's house, and give me a true token:
13 And *that* ye will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters,
and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.
14 And the men answered her, Our life for yours, if ye utter not this our business. And
it shall be, when the LORD hath given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with
thee.**
15 Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house *was* upon the
town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall.
16 And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide
yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your
way.
17 And the men said unto her, We *will be* blameless of this thine oath which thou hast
made us swear.
18 Behold, *when* we come into the land, thou shalt bind this line of scarlet thread in the
window which thou didst let us down by: and thou shalt bring thy father, and thy mother,
and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, home unto thee.††
19 And it shall be, *that* whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy house into the street, his
blood *shall be* upon his head, and we *will be* guiltless: and whosoever shall be with thee in
the house, his blood *shall be* on our head, if *any* hand be upon him.
20 And if thou utter this our business, then we will be quit of thine oath which thou hast
made us to swear.
21 And she said, According unto your words, so *be* it. And she sent them away, and they
departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.
22 And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the
pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought *them* throughout all the way, but found
them not.
23 ¶ So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and
came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all *things* that befell them:
24 And they said unto Joshua, Truly the LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land;
for even all the inhabitants of the country do faint because of us.‡‡

3

1 And Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to
Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.
2 And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the host;
3 And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the
LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your
place, and go after it.
4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure:
come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not
passed *this* way heretofore.*

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‡ **2:9** faint: Heb. melt § **2:11** did there...: Heb. rose up ** **2:14** for...: Heb. instead of you to die †† **2:18** bring: Heb. gather ‡‡ **2:24** faint: Heb. melt * **3:4** heretofore: Heb. since yesterday, and the third day

5 And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do
wonders among you.
6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass
over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the
people.
7 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of
all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, *so* I will be with thee.
8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, When ye
are come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.
9 ¶ And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear the words of the
LORD your God.
10 And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God *is* among you, and *that* he
will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Hivites,
and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.
11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into
Jordan.
12 Now therefore take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel, out of every tribe a man.
13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark
of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, *that* the waters of
Jordan shall be cut off *from* the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand
upon an heap.
14 ¶ And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan,
and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people;
15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that
bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all
the time of harvest,)
16 That the waters which came down from above stood *and* rose up upon an heap very
far from the city Adam, that *is* beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea
of the plain, *even* the salt sea, failed, *and* were cut off: and the people passed over right
against Jericho.
17 And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground
in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people
were passed clean over Jordan.

4

1 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over Jordan, that the LORD
spake unto Joshua, saying,
2 Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man,
3 And command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the
place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with
you, and leave them in the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night.
4 Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel,
out of every tribe a man:
5 And Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of the LORD your God into the
midst of Jordan, and take ye up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according
unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel:
6 That this may be a sign among you, *that* when your children ask *their fathers* in time to
come, saying, What *mean* ye by these stones?*
7 Then ye shall answer them, That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the
covenant of the LORD; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and
these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever.
8 And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out
of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the
tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they
lodged, and laid them down there.
9 And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of
the priests which bare the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there unto this day.
10 ¶ For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was
finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to speak unto the people, according to all that
Moses commanded Joshua: and the people hasted and passed over.

* **4:6** in time...: Heb. to morrow

11 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over, that the ark of the
LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people.
12 And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh,
passed over armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spake unto them:
13 About forty thousand prepared for war passed over before the LORD unto battle, to
the plains of Jericho.†
14 ¶ On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him,
as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.
15 And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,
16 Command the priests that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of
Jordan.
17 Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come ye up out of Jordan.
18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD
were come up out of the midst of Jordan, *and* the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up
unto the dry land, that the waters of Jordan returned unto their place, and flowed over all
his banks, as *they did* before.‡§
19 ¶ And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth *day* of the first month, and
encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho.
20 And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did Joshua pitch in Gilgal.
21 And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their
fathers in time to come, saying, What *mean* these stones?**
22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.
23 For the LORD your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were
passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red sea, which he dried up from before us,
until we were gone over:
24 That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that it *is* mighty:
that ye might fear the LORD your God for ever.††

5

1 And it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which *were* on the side of Jordan
westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which *were* by the sea, heard that the LORD
had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed
over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the
children of Israel.
2 ¶ At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee sharp knives, and circumcise again
the children of Israel the second time.*
3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Israel at the hill of
the foreskins.†‡
4 And this *is* the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the people that came out of Egypt,
that were males, *even* all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came
out of Egypt.
5 Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people *that were* born in
the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, *them* they had not circumcised.
6 For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people *that
were* men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the
voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that he would not shew them the land,
which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land that floweth with
milk and honey.
7 And their children, *whom* he raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they
were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.
8 And it came to pass, when they had done circumcising all the people, that they abode
in their places in the camp, till they were whole.§
9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from
off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day.**
10 ¶ And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the
fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

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† **4:13** prepared: or, ready armed ‡ **4:18** lifted...: Heb. plucked up § **4:18** flowed: Heb. went ** **4:21** in time...: Heb. to morrow †† **4:24** for ever: Heb. all days * **5:2** sharp...: or, knives of flints † **5:3** sharp...: or, knives of flints ‡ **5:3** the hill...: or, Gibeah-haaraloth § **5:8** they had...: Heb. the people had made an end to be circumcised ** **5:9** Gilgal: that is Rolling

11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover,
unleavened cakes, and parched *corn* in the selfsame day.
12 ¶ And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the
land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the
land of Canaan that year.
13 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked,
and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and
Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, *Art* thou for us, or for our adversaries?
14 And he said, Nay; but *as* captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua
fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto
his servant?††
15 And the captain of the LORD's host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot;
for the place whereon thou standest *is* holy. And Joshua did so.

6

1 Now Jericho was straitly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and
none came in.*
2 And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king
thereof, *and* the mighty men of valour.
3 And ye shall compass the city, all *ye* men of war, *and* go round about the city once. Thus
shalt thou do six days.
4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the
seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the
trumpets.
5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long *blast* with the ram's horn, *and*
when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and
the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight
before him.†
6 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of
the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of
the LORD.
7 And he said unto the people, Pass on, and compass the city, and let him that is armed
pass on before the ark of the LORD.
8 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the seven priests
bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the
trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.
9 ¶ And the armed men went before the priests that blew with the trumpets, and the
rereward came after the ark, *the priests* going on, and blowing with the trumpets.‡
10 And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall not shout, nor make any noise
with your voice, neither shall *any* word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you
shout; then shall ye shout.§
11 So the ark of the LORD compassed the city, going about *it* once: and they came into the
camp, and lodged in the camp.
12 ¶ And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of the LORD.
13 And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD
went on continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them;
but the rereward came after the ark of the LORD, *the priests* going on, and blowing with
the trumpets.
14 And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp: so they
did six days.
15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the
day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they
compassed the city seven times.
16 And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets,
Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city.
17 ¶ And the city shall be accursed, *even* it, and all that *are* therein, to the LORD: only
Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that *are* with her in the house, because she hid the
messengers that we sent.**

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†† **5:14** captain: or, prince * **6:1** was...: Heb. did shut up, and was shut up † **6:5** flat: Heb. under it ‡ **6:9** rereward: Heb. gathering host § **6:10** any noise...: Heb. your voice to be heard ** **6:17** accursed: or, devoted

18 And ye, in any wise keep *yourselves* from the accursed thing, lest ye make *yourselves*
accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and
trouble it.††‡‡
19 But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, *are* consecrated unto the
LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.§§
20 So the people shouted when *the priests* blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass,
when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great
shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man
straight before him, and they took the city.***
21 And they utterly destroyed all that *was* in the city, both man and woman, young and
old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.
22 But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the
harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto
her.
23 And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father,
and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her
kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.†††
24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that *was* therein: only the silver, and the gold,
and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.
25 And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's household, and all that she
had; and she dwelleth in Israel *even* unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which
Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.
26 ¶ And Joshua adjured *them* at that time, saying, Cursed *be* the man before the LORD,
that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his
firstborn, and in his youngest *son* shall he set up the gates of it.
27 So the LORD was with Joshua; and his fame was *noised* throughout all the country.

7

1 But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for Achan, the
son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed
thing: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.*†
2 And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which *is* beside Beth-aven, on the east side of
Beth-el, and spake unto them, saying, Go up and view the country. And the men went up
and viewed Ai.
3 And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the people go up; but let
about two or three thousand men go up and smite Ai; *and* make not all the people to labour
thither; for they *are but* few.‡
4 So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men: and they fled before
the men of Ai.
5 And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them *from*
before the gate *even* unto Shebarim, and smote them in the going down: wherefore the
hearts of the people melted, and became as water.§
6 ¶ And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the
LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel, and put dust upon their heads.
7 And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord GOD, wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over
Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us? would to God we had
been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!
8 O Lord, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their backs before their enemies!**
9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear *of it*, and shall environ
us round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what wilt thou do unto thy great name?
10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up; wherefore liest thou thus upon thy
face?††
11 Israel hath sinned, and they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded
them: for they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled
also, and they have put *it* even among their own stuff.

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†† **6:18** accursed: or, devoted ‡‡ **6:18** a curse: or, devoted §§ **6:19** consecrated: Heb. holiness *** **6:20** flat: Heb. under it ††† **6:23** kindred: Heb. families * **7:1** Achan: also called, Achar † **7:1** Zabdi: also called, Zimri ‡ **7:3** about...: Heb. about two thousand men, or, about three thousand men § **7:5** in...: or, in Morad ** **7:8** backs: Heb. necks †† **7:10** liest: Heb. fallest

12 Therefore the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, *but* turned *their*
backs before their enemies, because they were accursed: neither will I be with you any
more, except ye destroy the accursed from among you.
13 Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow: for thus saith
the LORD God of Israel, *There is* an accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel: thou canst
not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the accursed thing from among you.
14 In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your tribes: and it shall be,
that the tribe which the LORD taketh shall come according to the families *thereof;* and the
family which the LORD shall take shall come by households; and the household which the
LORD shall take shall come man by man.
15 And it shall be, *that* he that is taken with the accursed thing shall be burnt with fire, he
and all that he hath: because he hath transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because
he hath wrought folly in Israel.‡‡
16 ¶ So Joshua rose up early in the morning, and brought Israel by their tribes; and the
tribe of Judah was taken:
17 And he brought the family of Judah; and he took the family of the Zarhites: and he
brought the family of the Zarhites man by man; and Zabdi was taken:
18 And he brought his household man by man; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of
Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken.
19 And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Israel,
and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide *it* not from me.
20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of
Israel, and thus and thus have I done:
21 When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels
of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them;
and, behold, they *are* hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.§§
22 ¶ So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, behold, *it was* hid in his
tent, and the silver under it.
23 And they took them out of the midst of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and
unto all the children of Israel, and laid them out before the LORD.***
24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and
the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and
his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them unto the
valley of Achor.
25 And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day. And
all Israel stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them
with stones.
26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day. So the LORD turned
from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley
of Achor, unto this day.†††

8

1 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the people
of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and
his people, and his city, and his land:
2 And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the
spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an
ambush for the city behind it.
3 ¶ So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up against Ai: and Joshua chose out
thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent them away by night.
4 And he commanded them, saying, Behold, ye shall lie in wait against the city, *even*
behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready:
5 And I, and all the people that *are* with me, will approach unto the city: and it shall come
to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them,
6 (For they will come out after us) till we have drawn them from the city; for they will say,
They flee before us, as at the first: therefore we will flee before them.*
7 Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city: for the LORD your God
will deliver it into your hand.

‡‡ **7:15** folly: or, wickedness §§ **7:21** wedge: Heb. tongue *** **7:23** laid: Heb. poured ††† **7:26** Achor: that is, Trouble * **8:6** drawn: Heb. pulled

8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, *that* ye shall set the city on fire: according
to the commandment of the LORD shall ye do. See, I have commanded you.
9 ¶ Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between
Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the people.
10 And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people, and went up, he
and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai.
11 And all the people, *even the people* of war that *were* with him, went up, and drew
nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now *there was* a valley
between them and Ai.
12 And he took about five thousand men, and set them to lie in ambush between Beth-el
and Ai, on the west side of the city.†
13 And when they had set the people, *even* all the host that *was* on the north of the city,
and their liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua went that night into the midst of the
valley.‡
14 ¶ And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw *it*, that they hasted and rose up early,
and the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, at a time
appointed, before the plain; but he wist not that *there were* liers in ambush against him
behind the city.
15 And Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way
of the wilderness.
16 And all the people that *were* in Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they
pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away from the city.
17 And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they
left the city open, and pursued after Israel.
18 And the LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch out the spear that *is* in thy hand toward Ai; for
I will give it into thine hand. And Joshua stretched out the spear that *he had* in his hand
toward the city.
19 And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had
stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city, and took it, and hasted and set the
city on fire.
20 And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke of the
city ascended up to heaven, and they had no power to flee this way or that way: and the
people that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers.§
21 And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the
smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.
22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel,
some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of
them remain or escape.
23 And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.
24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai
in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on
the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai,
and smote it with the edge of the sword.
25 And *so* it was, *that* all that fell that day, both of men and women, *were* twelve thousand,
even all the men of Ai.
26 For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had
utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.
27 Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto themselves,
according unto the word of the LORD which he commanded Joshua.
28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, *even* a desolation unto this day.
29 And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun was down,
Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the
entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, *that remaineth* unto
this day.
30 ¶ Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God of Israel in mount Ebal,
31 As Moses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as it is written
in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up
any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace
offerings.

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† **8:12** of...: or, of Ai ‡ **8:13** liers...: Heb. lying in wait § **8:20** power: Heb. hand

32 ¶ And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote in
the presence of the children of Israel.
33 And all Israel, and their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the
ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of
the LORD, as well the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them over against
mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal; as Moses the servant of the
LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the people of Israel.
34 And afterward he read all the words of the law, the blessings and cursings, according
to all that is written in the book of the law.
35 There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua read not before all
the congregation of Israel, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that were
conversant among them.**

9

1 And it came to pass, when all the kings which *were* on this side Jordan, in the hills, and
in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the great sea over against Lebanon, the Hittite, and
the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard *thereof;*
2 That they gathered themselves together, to fight with Joshua and with Israel, with one
accord.*
3 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done unto Jericho and to
Ai,
4 They did work wilily, and went and made as if they had been ambassadors, and took
old sacks upon their asses, and wine bottles, old, and rent, and bound up;
5 And old shoes and clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the
bread of their provision was dry *and* mouldy.
6 And they went to Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal, and said unto him, and to the men of
Israel, We be come from a far country: now therefore make ye a league with us.
7 And the men of Israel said unto the Hivites, Peradventure ye dwell among us; and how
shall we make a league with you?
8 And they said unto Joshua, We *are* thy servants. And Joshua said unto them, Who *are*
ye? and from whence come ye?
9 And they said unto him, From a very far country thy servants are come because of the
name of the LORD thy God: for we have heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt,
10 And all that he did to the two kings of the Amorites, that *were* beyond Jordan, to Sihon
king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, which *was* at Ashtaroth.
11 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us, saying, Take
victuals with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, We *are* your
servants: therefore now make ye a league with us.†
12 This our bread we took hot *for* our provision out of our houses on the day we came
forth to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry, and it is mouldy:
13 And these bottles of wine, which we filled, *were* new; and, behold, they be rent: and
these our garments and our shoes are become old by reason of the very long journey.
14 And the men took of their victuals, and asked not *counsel* at the mouth of the LORD.‡
15 And Joshua made peace with them, and made a league with them, to let them live: and
the princes of the congregation sware unto them.
16 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a league with them,
that they heard that they *were* their neighbours, and *that* they dwelt among them.
17 And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities on the third day. Now
their cities *were* Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kirjath-jearim.
18 And the children of Israel smote them not, because the princes of the congregation had
sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel. And all the congregation murmured against
the princes.
19 But all the princes said unto all the congregation, We have sworn unto them by the
LORD God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them.
20 This we will do to them; we will even let them live, lest wrath be upon us, because of
the oath which we sware unto them.
21 And the princes said unto them, Let them live; but let them be hewers of wood and
drawers of water unto all the congregation; as the princes had promised them.

** **8:35** were...: Heb. walked * **9:2** accord: Heb. mouth † **9:11** with you: Heb. in your hand ‡ **9:14** the men...: or, they received the men by reason of their victuals

22 ¶ And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying, Wherefore have ye
beguiled us, saying, We *are* very far from you; when ye dwell among us?
23 Now therefore ye *are* cursed, and there shall none of you be freed from being
bondmen, and hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God.§
24 And they answered Joshua, and said, Because it was certainly told thy servants, how
that the LORD thy God commanded his servant Moses to give you all the land, and to
destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you, therefore we were sore afraid of
our lives because of you, and have done this thing.
25 And now, behold, we *are* in thine hand: as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do
unto us, do.
26 And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel,
that they slew them not.
27 And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the
congregation, and for the altar of the LORD, even unto this day, in the place which he
should choose.**

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1 Now it came to pass, when Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had
taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had
done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel,
and were among them;
2 That they feared greatly, because Gibeon *was* a great city, as one of the royal cities, and
because it *was* greater than Ai, and all the men thereof *were* mighty.*
3 Wherefore Adoni-zedek king of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham king of Hebron, and unto
Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon,
saying,
4 Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: for it hath made peace with
Joshua and with the children of Israel.
5 Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the
king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and
went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it.
6 ¶ And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, Slack not thy
hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings
of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us.
7 So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the
mighty men of valour.
8 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine
hand; there shall not a man of them stand before thee.
9 Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, *and* went up from Gilgal all night.
10 And the LORD discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter
at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to Beth-horon, and smote them to
Azekah, and unto Makkedah.
11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, *and* were in the going down to
Beth-horon, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah,
and they died: *they were* more which died with hailstones than *they* whom the children of
Israel slew with the sword.
12 ¶ Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites
before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon
Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.†
13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves
upon their enemies. *Is* not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the
midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.‡
14 And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the
voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.
15 ¶ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.
16 But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at Makkedah.
17 And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah.
18 And Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to
keep them:

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§ **9:23** none...: Heb. not be cut off from you ** **9:27** made: Heb. gave, or, delivered to be * **10:2** royal...: Heb. cities of the kingdom † **10:12** stand...: Heb. be silent ‡ **10:13** Jasher: or, the upright?

19 And stay ye not, *but* pursue after your enemies, and smite the hindmost of them; suffer
them not to enter into their cities: for the LORD your God hath delivered them into your
hand.§
20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying
them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest *which* remained of
them entered into fenced cities.
21 And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none moved
his tongue against any of the children of Israel.
22 Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings unto me
out of the cave.
23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king
of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, *and* the king of
Eglon.
24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called
for all the men of Israel, and said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him,
Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their
feet upon the necks of them.
25 And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage:
for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.
26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and
they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.
27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, *that* Joshua commanded,
and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been
hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, *which remain* until this very day.
28 ¶ And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and
the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none
remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah as he did unto the king of Jericho.
29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto Libnah, and fought
against Libnah:
30 And the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he
smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain
in it; but did unto the king thereof as he did unto the king of Jericho.
31 ¶ And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto Lachish, and
encamped against it, and fought against it:
32 And the LORD delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it on the second
day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein, according
to all that he had done to Libnah.
33 ¶ Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his
people, until he had left him none remaining.
34 ¶ And from Lachish Joshua passed unto Eglon, and all Israel with him; and they
encamped against it, and fought against it:
35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls
that *were* therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.
36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto Hebron; and they fought
against it:
37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all
the cities thereof, and all the souls that *were* therein; he left none remaining, according to
all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that *were* therein.
38 ¶ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to Debir; and fought against it:
39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them
with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that *were* therein; he left
none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as
he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.
40 ¶ So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and
of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that
breathed, as the LORD God of Israel commanded.
41 And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza, and all the country of
Goshen, even unto Gibeon.
42 And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time, because the LORD God
of Israel fought for Israel.

§ **10:19** smite...: Heb. cut off the tail

43 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

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1 And it came to pass, when Jabin king of Hazor had heard *those things*, that he sent to
Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph,
2 And to the kings that *were* on the north of the mountains, and of the plains south of
Chinneroth, and in the valley, and in the borders of Dor on the west,
3 *And to* the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and *to* the Amorite, and the Hittite,
and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the mountains, and *to* the Hivite under Hermon in
the land of Mizpeh.
4 And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, even as the sand
that *is* upon the sea shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many.
5 And when all these kings were met together, they came and pitched together at the
waters of Merom, to fight against Israel.*
6 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Be not afraid because of them: for to morrow about
this time will I deliver them up all slain before Israel: thou shalt hough their horses, and
burn their chariots with fire.
7 So Joshua came, and all the people of war with him, against them by the waters of
Merom suddenly; and they fell upon them.
8 And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Israel, who smote them, and chased them
unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephoth-maim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and
they smote them, until they left them none remaining.†‡
9 And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt
their chariots with fire.
10 ¶ And Joshua at that time turned back, and took Hazor, and smote the king thereof with
the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.
11 And they smote all the souls that *were* therein with the edge of the sword, utterly
destroying *them:* there was not any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.§
12 And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and smote
them with the edge of the sword, *and* he utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of
the LORD commanded.
13 But *as for* the cities that stood still in their strength, Israel burned none of them, save
Hazor only; *that* did Joshua burn.**
14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto
themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed
them, neither left they any to breathe.
15 ¶ As the LORD commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command Joshua, and so
did Joshua; he left nothing undone of all that the LORD commanded Moses.††
16 So Joshua took all that land, the hills, and all the south country, and all the land of
Goshen, and the valley, and the plain, and the mountain of Israel, and the valley of the
same;
17 *Even* from the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even unto Baal-gad in the valley
of Lebanon under mount Hermon: and all their kings he took, and smote them, and slew
them.‡‡
18 Joshua made war a long time with all those kings.
19 There was not a city that made peace with the children of Israel, save the Hivites the
inhabitants of Gibeon: all *other* they took in battle.
20 For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should come against Israel in
battle, that he might destroy them utterly, *and* that they might have no favour, but that he
might destroy them, as the LORD commanded Moses.
21 ¶ And at that time came Joshua, and cut off the Anakims from the mountains, from
Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the mountains of Judah, and from all the
mountains of Israel: Joshua destroyed them utterly with their cities.
22 There was none of the Anakims left in the land of the children of Israel: only in Gaza,
in Gath, and in Ashdod, there remained.

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* **11:5** met...: Heb. assembled by appointment † **11:8** great Zidon: or, Zidonrabbah ‡ **11:8** Misrephoth-maim: or, Salt pits: Heb. Burnings of waters § **11:11** any...: Heb. any breath ** **11:13** in their...: Heb. on their heap †† **11:15** left...: Heb. removed nothing ‡‡ **11:17** the mount...: or, the smooth mountain

23 So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the LORD said unto Moses; and
Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their divisions by their tribes.
And the land rested from war.

12

1 Now these *are* the kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote, and possessed
their land on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto
mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:
2 Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, *and* ruled from Aroer, which *is* upon
the bank of the river Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even
unto the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the children of Ammon;
3 And from the plain to the sea of Chinneroth on the east, and unto the sea of the plain,
even the salt sea on the east, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and from the south, under Ashdoth-
pisgah:*†
4 ¶ And the coast of Og king of Bashan, *which was* of the remnant of the giants, that dwelt
at Ashtaroth and at Edrei,
5 And reigned in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the
Geshurites and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon.
6 Them did Moses the servant of the LORD and the children of Israel smite: and Moses
the servant of the LORD gave it *for* a possession unto the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and
the half tribe of Manasseh.
7 ¶ And these *are* the kings of the country which Joshua and the children of Israel smote
on this side Jordan on the west, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount
Halak, that goeth up to Seir; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel *for* a possession
according to their divisions;
8 In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the
wilderness, and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the
Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:
9 ¶ The king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which *is* beside Beth-el, one;
10 The king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one;
11 The king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one;
12 The king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one;
13 The king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one;
14 The king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one;
15 The king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one;
16 The king of Makkedah, one; the king of Beth-el, one;
17 The king of Tappuah, one; the king of Hepher, one;
18 The king of Aphek, one; the king of Lasharon, one;‡
19 The king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one;
20 The king of Shimron-meron, one; the king of Achshaph, one;
21 The king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one;
22 The king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam of Carmel, one;
23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gilgal, one;
24 The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

13

1 Now Joshua was old *and* stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old
and stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.*
2 This *is* the land that yet remaineth: all the borders of the Philistines, and all Geshuri,
3 From Sihor, which *is* before Egypt, even unto the borders of Ekron northward, *which* is
counted to the Canaanite: five lords of the Philistines; the Gazathites, and the Ashdothites,
the Eshkalonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also the Avites:
4 From the south, all the land of the Canaanites, and Mearah that *is* beside the Sidonians,
unto Aphek, to the borders of the Amorites:†
5 And the land of the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward the sunrising, from Baal-gad
under mount Hermon unto the entering into Hamath.
6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, *and* all the
Sidonians, them will I drive out from before the children of Israel: only divide thou it by
lot unto the Israelites for an inheritance, as I have commanded thee.

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* **12:3** the south: or, Teman † **12:3** Ashdoth-pisgah: or, the springs of Pisgah, or, the hill ‡ **12:18** Lasharon: or, Sharon * **13:1** to...: Heb. to possess it † **13:4** Mearah: or, the cave

7 Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine tribes, and the half tribe
of Manasseh,
8 With whom the Reubenites and the Gadites have received their inheritance, which
Moses gave them, beyond Jordan eastward, *even* as Moses the servant of the LORD gave
them;
9 From Aroer, that *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that *is* in the midst of
the river, and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon;
10 And all the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the
border of the children of Ammon;
11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maachathites, and all mount
Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salcah;
12 All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei, who
remained of the remnant of the giants: for these did Moses smite, and cast them out.
13 Nevertheless the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites, nor the Maachathites:
but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites until this day.
14 Only unto the tribe of Levi he gave none inheritance; the sacrifices of the LORD God of
Israel made by fire *are* their inheritance, as he said unto them.
15 ¶ And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben *inheritance* according to
their families.
16 And their coast was from Aroer, that *is* on the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that
is in the midst of the river, and all the plain by Medeba;
17 Heshbon, and all her cities that *are* in the plain; Dibon, and Bamoth-baal, and Beth-
baal-meon,‡
18 And Jahazah, and Kedemoth, and Mephaath,
19 And Kirjathaim, and Sibmah, and Zareth-shahar in the mount of the valley,
20 And Beth-peor, and Ashdoth-pisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth,§
21 And all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which
reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the princes of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and
Zur, and Hur, and Reba, *which were* dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.
22 ¶ Balaam also the son of Beor, the soothsayer, did the children of Israel slay with the
sword among them that were slain by them.**
23 And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border *thereof.* This *was*
the inheritance of the children of Reuben after their families, the cities and the villages
thereof.
24 And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the tribe of Gad, *even* unto the children of Gad
according to their families.
25 And their coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the children
of Ammon, unto Aroer that *is* before Rabbah;
26 And from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the
border of Debir;
27 And in the valley, Beth-aram, and Beth-nimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of
the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, Jordan and *his* border, *even* unto the edge of the sea
of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.
28 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their
villages.
29 ¶ And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the half tribe of Manasseh: and *this* was *the
possession* of the half tribe of the children of Manasseh by their families.
30 And their coast was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan,
and all the towns of Jair, which *are* in Bashan, threescore cities:
31 And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, *were
pertaining* unto the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, *even* to the one half of the
children of Machir by their families.
32 These *are the countries* which Moses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of
Moab, on the other side Jordan, by Jericho, eastward.
33 But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not *any* inheritance: the LORD God of Israel *was*
their inheritance, as he said unto them.

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‡ **13:17** Bamoth-baal...: or, the high places of Baal, and house of Baal-meon § **13:20** Ashdoth-pisgah: or, springs of Pisgah, or, the hill ** **13:22** soothsayer: or, diviner

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1 And these *are the countries* which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan,
which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the
tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.
2 By lot *was* their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, for the
nine tribes, and *for* the half tribe.
3 For Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half tribe on the other side
Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them.
4 For the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gave
no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell *in*, with their suburbs for their cattle
and for their substance.
5 As the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and they divided the land.
6 ¶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of
Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said unto
Moses the man of God concerning me and thee in Kadesh-barnea.
7 Forty years old *was* I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh-barnea
to espy out the land; and I brought him word again as *it was* in mine heart.
8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but
I wholly followed the LORD my God.
9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden
shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed
the LORD my God.
10 And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years,
even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while *the children of* Israel wandered in
the wilderness: and now, lo, I *am* this day fourscore and five years old.*
11 As yet I *am as* strong this day as *I was* in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength
was then, even so *is* my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.
12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou
heardest in that day how the Anakims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great *and* fenced:
if so be the LORD *will be* with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.
13 And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an
inheritance.
14 Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite
unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.
15 And the name of Hebron before *was* Kirjath-arba; *which Arba was* a great man among
the Anakims. And the land had rest from war.

15

1 *This* then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by their families; *even* to the
border of Edom the wilderness of Zin southward *was* the uttermost part of the south coast.
2 And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from the bay that looketh
southward:*
3 And it went out to the south side to Maaleh-acrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and
ascended up on the south side unto Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went
up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa:†
4 *From thence* it passed toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the
goings out of that coast were at the sea: this shall be your south coast.
5 And the east border *was* the salt sea, *even* unto the end of Jordan. And *their* border in
the north quarter *was* from the bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jordan:
6 And the border went up to Beth-hogla, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah;
and the border went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben:
7 And the border went up toward Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward,
looking toward Gilgal, that *is* before the going up to Adummim, which *is* on the south side
of the river: and the border passed toward the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out
thereof were at En-rogel:
8 And the border went up by the valley of the son of Hinnom unto the south side of the
Jebusite; the same *is* Jerusalem: and the border went up to the top of the mountain that
lieth before the valley of Hinnom westward, which *is* at the end of the valley of the giants
northward:

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* **14:10** wandered: Heb. walked * **15:2** bay: Heb. tongue † **15:3** Maaleh-acrabbim: or, the going up to Acrabbim

9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the fountain of the water
of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn to
Baalah, which *is* Kirjath-jearim:
10 And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along
unto the side of mount Jearim, which *is* Chesalon, on the north side, and went down to
Beth-shemesh, and passed on to Timnah:
11 And the border went out unto the side of Ekron northward: and the border was drawn
to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out unto Jabneel; and the goings
out of the border were at the sea.
12 And the west border *was* to the great sea, and the coast *thereof*. This *is* the coast of the
children of Judah round about according to their families.
13 ¶ And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Judah,
according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, *even* the city of Arba the father of
Anak, which *city is* Hebron.‡
14 And Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the
children of Anak.
15 And he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before *was*
Kirjath-sepher.
16 ¶ And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah
my daughter to wife.
17 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah
his daughter to wife.
18 And it came to pass, as she came *unto him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a
field: and she lighted off *her* ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wouldest thou?
19 Who answered, Give me a blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also
springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.
20 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families.
21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah toward the coast of Edom
southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur,
22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,
23 And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,
24 Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,
25 And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, *and* Hezron, which *is* Hazor,
26 Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,
27 And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-palet,
28 And Hazar-shual, and Beer-sheba, and Bizjothjah,
29 Baalah, and Iim, and Azem,
30 And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah,
31 And Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah,
32 And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities *are* twenty and nine,
with their villages:
33 *And* in the valley, Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,
34 And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam,
35 Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,
36 And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their
villages:§
37 Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad,
38 And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Joktheel,
39 Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon,
40 And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish,
41 And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with their
villages:
42 Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan,
43 And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib,
44 And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages:
45 Ekron, with her towns and her villages:
46 From Ekron even unto the sea, all that *lay* near Ashdod, with their villages:**
47 Ashdod with her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto
the river of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border *thereof:*

‡ **15:13** the city...: or, Kirjath-arba § **15:36** and Gederothaim: or, or Gederothaim ** **15:46** near: Heb. by the place of

48 ¶ And in the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh,
49 And Dannah, and Kirjath-sannah, which *is* Debir,
50 And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim,
51 And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their villages:
52 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean,
53 And Janum, and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah,††
54 And Humtah, and Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, and Zior; nine cities with their villages:
55 Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Juttah,
56 And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah,
57 Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages:
58 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor,
59 And Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with their villages:
60 Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, and Rabbah; two cities with their villages:
61 In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah,
62 And Nibshan, and the city of Salt, and En-gedi; six cities with their villages.
63 ¶ As for the Jebusites the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the children of Judah could not drive them out: but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.

16

1 And the lot of the children of Joseph fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Beth-el,*
2 And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth,
3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to Gezer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea.
4 So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.
5 ¶ And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was *thus:* even the border of their inheritance on the east side was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper;
6 And the border went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah;
7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarath, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.
8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families.
9 And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim *were* among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages.
10 And they drave not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.

17

1 There was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he *was* the firstborn of Joseph; *to wit*, for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the father of Gilead: because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan.
2 There was also *a lot* for the rest of the children of Manasseh by their families; for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Hepher, and for the children of Shemida: these *were* the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph by their families.*
3 ¶ But Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these *are* the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.
4 And they came near before Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The LORD commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren. Therefore according to the commandment of the LORD he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father.

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†† **15:53** Janum: or, Janus * **16:1** fell: Heb. went forth * **17:2** Abiezer: also called, Jeezer

5 And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead and Bashan, which
were on the other side Jordan;
6 Because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons: and the rest of
Manasseh's sons had the land of Gilead.
7 ¶ And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethah, that *lieth* before Shechem;
and the border went along on the right hand unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.
8 *Now* Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but Tappuah on the border of Manasseh
belonged to the children of Ephraim;
9 And the coast descended unto the river Kanah, southward of the river: these cities of
Ephraim *are* among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh also *was* on the north
side of the river, and the outgoings of it were at the sea:†
10 Southward *it was* Ephraim's, and northward *it was* Manasseh's, and the sea is his
border; and they met together in Asher on the north, and in Issachar on the east.
11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher Beth-shean and her towns, and Ibleam
and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Endor and
her towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo
and her towns, *even* three countries.
12 Yet the children of Manasseh could not drive out *the inhabitants of* those cities; but the
Canaanites would dwell in that land.
13 Yet it came to pass, when the children of Israel were waxen strong, that they put the
Canaanites to tribute; but did not utterly drive them out.
14 And the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me *but*
one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing I *am* a great people, forasmuch as the LORD hath
blessed me hitherto?
15 And Joshua answered them, If thou *be* a great people, *then* get thee up to the wood
country, and cut down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites and of the giants, if
mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.‡
16 And the children of Joseph said, The hill is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites
that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, *both they* who *are* of Beth-shean
and her towns, and *they* who *are* of the valley of Jezreel.
17 And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, *even* to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying,
Thou *art* a great people, and hast great power: thou shalt not have one lot *only:*
18 But the mountain shall be thine; for it *is* a wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the
outgoings of it shall be thine: for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have iron
chariots, *and* though they *be* strong.

18

1 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and
set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.
2 And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet
received their inheritance.
3 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long *are* ye slack to go to possess the
land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?
4 Give out from among you three men for *each* tribe: and I will send them, and they shall
rise, and go through the land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and
they shall come *again* to me.
5 And they shall divide it into seven parts: Judah shall abide in their coast on the south,
and the house of Joseph shall abide in their coasts on the north.
6 Ye shall therefore describe the land *into* seven parts, and bring *the description* hither to
me, that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.
7 But the Levites have no part among you; for the priesthood of the LORD *is* their
inheritance: and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of Manasseh, have received their
inheritance beyond Jordan on the east, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them.
8 ¶ And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that went to describe
the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me, that
I may here cast lots for you before the LORD in Shiloh.
9 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven
parts in a book, and came *again* to Joshua to the host at Shiloh.
10 ¶ And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the LORD: and there Joshua divided
the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.

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† **17:9** river Kanah: or, brook of reeds ‡ **17:15** giants: or, Rephaims

11 ¶ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their
families: and the coast of their lot came forth between the children of Judah and the
children of Joseph.
12 And their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the border went up to the
side of Jericho on the north side, and went up through the mountains westward; and the
goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Beth-aven.
13 And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, which *is* Beth-el,
southward; and the border descended to Ataroth-adar, near the hill that *lieth* on the south
side of the nether Beth-horon.
14 And the border was drawn *thence*, and compassed the corner of the sea southward,
from the hill that *lieth* before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out thereof were at
Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, a city of the children of Judah: this *was* the west
quarter.
15 And the south quarter *was* from the end of Kirjath-jearim, and the border went out on
the west, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah:
16 And the border came down to the end of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of
the son of Hinnom, *and* which *is* in the valley of the giants on the north, and descended to
the valley of Hinnom, to the side of Jebusi on the south, and descended to En-rogel,
17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-shemesh, and went forth toward
Geliloth, which *is* over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to the stone of
Bohan the son of Reuben,
18 And passed along toward the side over against Arabah northward, and went down
unto Arabah:*
19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the outgoings
of the border were at the north bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this *was* the
south coast.†
20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This *was* the inheritance of the
children of Benjamin, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.
21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were
Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,
22 And Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and Beth-el,
23 And Avim, and Parah, and Ophrah,
24 And Chephar-haammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba; twelve cities with their villages:
25 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth,
26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,
27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,
28 And Zelah, Eleph, and Jebusi, which *is* Jerusalem, Gibeath, *and* Kirjath; fourteen cities
with their villages. This *is* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their
families.

19

1 And the second lot came forth to Simeon, *even* for the tribe of the children of Simeon
according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the
children of Judah.
2 And they had in their inheritance Beer-sheba, or Sheba, and Moladah,
3 And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem,
4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,
5 And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah,
6 And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen; thirteen cities and their villages:
7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four cities and their villages:
8 And all the villages that *were* round about these cities to Baalath-beer, Ramath of the
south. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their
families.
9 Out of the portion of the children of Judah *was* the inheritance of the children of
Simeon: for the part of the children of Judah was too much for them: therefore the children
of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.
10 ¶ And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according to their families: and
the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:
11 And their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth,
and reached to the river that *is* before Jokneam;

* **18:18** Arabah: or, the plain † **18:19** bay: Heb. tongue

12 And turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising unto the border of Chisloth-
tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth up to Japhia,
13 And from thence passeth on along on the east to Gittah-hepher, to Ittah-kazin, and
goeth out to Remmon-methoar to Neah;*
14 And the border compasseth it on the north side to Hannathon: and the outgoings
thereof are in the valley of Jiphthah-el:
15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: twelve cities
with their villages.
16 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these
cities with their villages.
17 ¶ *And* the fourth lot came out to Issachar, for the children of Issachar according to their
families.
18 And their border was toward Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,
19 And Hapharaim, and Shion, and Anaharath,
20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,
21 And Remeth, and En-gannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez;
22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and Beth-shemesh; and the
outgoings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages.
23 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their
families, the cities and their villages.
24 ¶ And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their
families.
25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,
26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal; and reacheth to Carmel westward, and to
Shihor-libnath;
27 And turneth toward the sunrising to Beth-dagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the
valley of Jiphthah-el toward the north side of Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul
on the left hand,
28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, *even* unto great Zidon;
29 And *then* the coast turneth to Ramah, and to the strong city Tyre; and the coast turneth
to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to Achzib:†
30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages.
31 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families,
these cities with their villages.
32 ¶ The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, *even* for the children of Naphtali
according to their families.
33 And their coast was from Heleph, from Allon to Zaanannim, and Adami, Nekeb, and
Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jordan:
34 And *then* the coast turneth westward to Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to
Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west
side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the sunrising.
35 And the fenced cities *are* Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and Chinnereth,
36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,
37 And Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,
38 And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities
with their villages.
39 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their
families, the cities and their villages.
40 ¶ *And* the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their
families.
41 And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh,
42 And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah,
43 And Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron,
44 And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,
45 And Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon,
46 And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.‡§
47 And the coast of the children of Dan went out *too little* for them: therefore the children
of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword,

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* **19:13** methoar: or, which is drawn † **19:29** Tyre: Heb. Tzor ‡ **19:46** before: or, over against § **19:46** Japho: or, Joppa

and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father.

48 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

49 ¶ When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance by their coasts, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua the son of Nun among them:

50 According to the word of the LORD they gave him the city which he asked, *even* Timnath-serah in mount Ephraim: and he built the city, and dwelt therein.

51 These *are* the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance by lot in Shiloh before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. So they made an end of dividing the country.

20

1 The LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying,

2 Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:

3 That the slayer that killeth *any* person unawares *and* unwittingly may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.

4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.

5 And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.

6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, *and* until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled.

7 ¶ And they appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, in the mountain of Judah.*

8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.

9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth *any* person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.

21

1 Then came near the heads of the fathers of the Levites unto Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel;

2 And they spake unto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saying, The LORD commanded by the hand of Moses to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs thereof for our cattle.

3 And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance, at the commandment of the LORD, these cities and their suburbs.

4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron the priest, *which were* of the Levites, had by lot out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities.

5 And the rest of the children of Kohath *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.

6 And the children of Gershon *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

7 The children of Merari by their families *had* out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.

8 And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

9 ¶ And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are *here* mentioned by name,*

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* **20:7** appointed: Heb. sanctified * **21:9** mentioned: Heb. called

10 Which the children of Aaron, *being* of the families of the Kohathites, *who were* of the
children of Levi, had: for theirs was the first lot.
11 And they gave them the city of Arba the father of Anak, which *city is* Hebron, in the hill
country of Judah, with the suburbs thereof round about it.†
12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of
Jephunneh for his possession.
13 ¶ Thus they gave to the children of Aaron the priest Hebron with her suburbs, *to be* a
city of refuge for the slayer; and Libnah with her suburbs,
14 And Jattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her suburbs,
15 And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs,‡
16 And Ain with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs, *and* Beth-shemesh with her
suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.§
17 And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba with her suburbs,**
18 Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her suburbs; four cities.††
19 All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, *were* thirteen cities with their
suburbs.
20 ¶ And the families of the children of Kohath, the Levites which remained of the
children of Kohath, even they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.
21 For they gave them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, *to be* a city of refuge
for the slayer; and Gezer with her suburbs,
22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs; four cities.
23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibbethon with her suburbs,
24 Aijalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; four cities.
25 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon
with her suburbs; two cities.
26 All the cities *were* ten with their suburbs for the families of the children of Kohath that
remained.
27 ¶ And unto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Levites, out of the *other* half
tribe of Manasseh *they gave* Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the
slayer; and Beesh-terah with her suburbs; two cities.
28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,
29 Jarmuth with her suburbs, En-gannim with her suburbs; four cities.
30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,
31 Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs; four cities.
32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, *to be* a city of
refuge for the slayer; and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs;
three cities.
33 All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families *were* thirteen cities with
their suburbs.
34 ¶ And unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe
of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs,
35 Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs; four cities.
36 And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs,
37 Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities.
38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge
for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs,
39 Heshbon with her suburbs, Jazer with her suburbs; four cities in all.
40 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of
the families of the Levites, were *by* their lot twelve cities.
41 All the cities of the Levites within the possession of the children of Israel *were* forty
and eight cities with their suburbs.
42 These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus *were* all these
cities.
43 ¶ And the LORD gave unto Israel all the land which he sware to give unto their fathers;
and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.
44 And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their
fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered
all their enemies into their hand.

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† **21:11** the city...: or, Kirjath-arba ‡ **21:15** Holon: also called, Hilen § **21:16** Ain: also called, Ashan ** **21:17** Geba: also called, Gaba †† **21:18** Almon: also called, Alemeth

45 There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house
of Israel; all came to pass.

22

1 Then Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,
2 And said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded
you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:
3 Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge
of the commandment of the LORD your God.
4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, as he promised them:
therefore now return ye, and get you unto your tents, *and* unto the land of your possession,
which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.
5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of
the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep
his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with
all your soul.
6 So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents.
7 ¶ Now to the *one* half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given *possession* in Bashan:
but unto the *other* half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren on this side Jordan
westward. And when Joshua sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them,
8 And he spake unto them, saying, Return with much riches unto your tents, and with
very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very
much raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren.
9 ¶ And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh
returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which *is* in the land of
Canaan, to go unto the country of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were
possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
10 ¶ And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that *are* in the land of Canaan, the
children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh built there an
altar by Jordan, a great altar to see to.
11 ¶ And the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben and the children
of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar over against the land of Canaan,
in the borders of Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel.
12 And when the children of Israel heard *of it*, the whole congregation of the children of
Israel gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up to war against them.
13 And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad,
and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the
priest,
14 And with him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of
Israel; and each one *was* an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of
Israel.*
15 ¶ And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the
half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,
16 Thus saith the whole congregation of the LORD, What trespass *is* this that ye have
committed against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from following the LORD, in
that ye have builded you an altar, that ye might rebel this day against the LORD?
17 *Is* the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day,
although there was a plague in the congregation of the LORD,
18 But that ye must turn away this day from following the LORD? and it will be,
seeing ye rebel to day against the LORD, that to morrow he will be wroth with the whole
congregation of Israel.
19 Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession *be* unclean, *then* pass ye over unto
the land of the possession of the LORD, wherein the LORD's tabernacle dwelleth, and take
possession among us: but rebel not against the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you
an altar beside the altar of the LORD our God.
20 Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell
on all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his iniquity.
21 ¶ Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh
answered, and said unto the heads of the thousands of Israel,

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* **22:14** chief...: Heb. house of the father

22 The LORD God of gods, the LORD God of gods, he knoweth, and Israel he shall know; if
it be in rebellion, or if in transgression against the LORD, (save us not this day,)
23 That we have built us an altar to turn from following the LORD, or if to offer thereon
burnt offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himself
require *it;*
24 And if we have not *rather* done it for fear of *this* thing, saying, In time to come your
children might speak unto our children, saying, What have ye to do with the LORD God of
Israel?†
25 For the LORD hath made Jordan a border between us and you, ye children of Reuben
and children of Gad; ye have no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our children
cease from fearing the LORD.
26 Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt offering, nor
for sacrifice:
27 But *that* it *may be* a witness between us, and you, and our generations after us, that
we might do the service of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings, and with our
sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your children may not say to our children in
time to come, Ye have no part in the LORD.
28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should *so* say to us or to our generations
in time to come, that we may say *again*, Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which
our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it *is* a witness between us
and you.
29 God forbid that we should rebel against the LORD, and turn this day from following
the LORD, to build an altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside
the altar of the LORD our God that *is* before his tabernacle.
30 ¶ And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the
thousands of Israel which *were* with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and
the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake, it pleased them.‡
31 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the children of Reuben, and to
the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceive that the LORD
is among us, because ye have not committed this trespass against the LORD: now ye have
delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD.§
32 ¶ And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes, returned from the
children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land
of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again.
33 And the thing pleased the children of Israel; and the children of Israel blessed God, and
did not intend to go up against them in battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of
Reuben and Gad dwelt.
34 And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the altar *Ed:* for it *shall be*
a witness between us that the LORD *is* God.**

23

1 And it came to pass a long time after that the LORD had given rest unto Israel from all
their enemies round about, that Joshua waxed old *and* stricken in age.*
2 And Joshua called for all Israel, *and* for their elders, and for their heads, and for their
judges, and for their officers, and said unto them, I am old *and* stricken in age:
3 And ye have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto all these nations because
of you; for the LORD your God *is* he that hath fought for you.
4 Behold, I have divided unto you by lot these nations that remain, to be an inheritance
for your tribes, from Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea
westward.†
5 And the LORD your God, he shall expel them from before you, and drive them from out
of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, as the LORD your God hath promised unto
you.
6 Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the
law of Moses, that ye turn not aside therefrom *to* the right hand or *to* the left;
7 That ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you; neither make
mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear *by them*, neither serve them, nor
bow yourselves unto them:

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† **22:24** In time...: Heb. To morrow ‡ **22:30** pleased...: Heb. was good in their eyes § **22:31** now: Heb. then
** **22:34** Ed: that is, A witness * **23:1** stricken...: Heb. come into days † **23:4** westward: Heb. at the sunset

8 But cleave unto the LORD your God, as ye have done unto this day.‡
9 For the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but *as for* you,
no man hath been able to stand before you unto this day.§
10 One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, he *it is* that fighteth
for you, as he hath promised you.
11 Take good heed therefore unto yourselves, that ye love the LORD your God.**
12 Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, *even*
these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and go in unto them,
and they to you:
13 Know for a certainty that the LORD your God will no more drive out *any of* these
nations from before you; but they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your
sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your
God hath given you.
14 And, behold, this day I *am* going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts
and in all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the LORD
your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, *and* not one thing hath failed
thereof.
15 Therefore it shall come to pass, *that* as all good things are come upon you, which the
LORD your God promised you; so shall the LORD bring upon you all evil things, until he
have destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.
16 When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded
you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the
anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good
land which he hath given unto you.

24

1 And Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of
Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented
themselves before God.
2 And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Your fathers
dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, *even* Terah, the father of Abraham, and the
father of Nachor: and they served other gods.
3 And I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood, and led him
throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.
4 And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount Seir, to possess it;
but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.
5 I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did among
them: and afterward I brought you out.
6 And I brought your fathers out of Egypt: and ye came unto the sea; and the Egyptians
pursued after your fathers with chariots and horsemen unto the Red sea.
7 And when they cried unto the LORD, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians,
and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes have seen what I have
done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness a long season.
8 And I brought you into the land of the Amorites, which dwelt on the other side Jordan;
and they fought with you: and I gave them into your hand, that ye might possess their land;
and I destroyed them from before you.
9 Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred against Israel, and sent
and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you:
10 But I would not hearken unto Balaam; therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered you
out of his hand.
11 And ye went over Jordan, and came unto Jericho: and the men of Jericho fought
against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the
Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I delivered them into your hand.
12 And I sent the hornet before you, which drave them out from before you, *even* the two
kings of the Amorites; *but* not with thy sword, nor with thy bow.
13 And I have given you a land for which ye did not labour, and cities which ye built not,
and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat.

‡ **23:8** But cleave...: or, For if ye will cleave, etc
§ **23:9** For the LORD...: or, Then the LORD will drive
** **23:11** yourselves: Heb. your souls

14 ¶ Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away
the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve
ye the LORD.
15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve;
whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the flood, or the
gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve
the LORD.
16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to
serve other gods;
17 For the LORD our God, he *it is* that brought us up and our fathers out of the land
of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and which did those great signs in our sight, and
preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all the people through whom
we passed:
18 And the LORD drave out from before us all the people, even the Amorites which dwelt
in the land: *therefore* will we also serve the LORD; for he *is* our God.
19 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the LORD: for he *is* an holy God; he
is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins.*
20 If ye forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then he will turn and do you hurt, and
consume you, after that he hath done you good.
21 And the people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will serve the LORD.
22 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye *are* witnesses against yourselves that ye have
chosen you the LORD, to serve him. And they said, *We are* witnesses.
23 Now therefore put away, *said he*, the strange gods which *are* among you, and incline
your heart unto the LORD God of Israel.
24 And the people said unto Joshua, The LORD our God will we serve, and his voice will
we obey.
25 So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an
ordinance in Shechem.
26 ¶ And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and took a great stone,
and set it up there under an oak, that *was* by the sanctuary of the LORD.
27 And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us; for it
hath heard all the words of the LORD which he spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness
unto you, lest ye deny your God.
28 So Joshua let the people depart, every man unto his inheritance.
29 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the
LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.
30 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which *is* in
mount Ephraim, on the north side of the hill of Gaash.
31 And Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that
overlived Joshua, and which had known all the works of the LORD, that he had done for
Israel.†
32 ¶ And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried
they in Shechem, in a parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father
of Shechem for an hundred pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the children
of Joseph.‡
33 And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in a hill *that pertained to*
Phinehas his son, which was given him in mount Ephraim.

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* **24:19** holy God: Heb. holy Gods † **24:31** overlived...: Heb. prolonged their days after Joshua ‡ **24:32** pieces...: or, lambs

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1 Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked the LORD,
saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?
2 And the LORD said, Judah shall go up: behold, I have delivered the land into his hand.
3 And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with me into my lot, that we may
fight against the Canaanites; and I likewise will go with thee into thy lot. So Simeon went
with him.
4 And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their
hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men.
5 And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, and they slew the
Canaanites and the Perizzites.
6 But Adoni-bezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his
thumbs and his great toes.
7 And Adoni-bezek said, Threescore and ten kings, having their thumbs and their great
toes cut off, gathered *their meat* under my table: as I have done, so God hath requited me.
And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.*†
8 Now the children of Judah had fought against Jerusalem, and had taken it, and smitten
it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.
9 ¶ And afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites, that
dwelt in the mountain, and in the south, and in the valley.‡
10 And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now the name of
Hebron before *was* Kirjath-arba:) and they slew Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai.
11 And from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir
before *was* Kirjath-sepher:
12 And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah
my daughter to wife.
13 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him Achsah
his daughter to wife.
14 And it came to pass, when she came *to him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a
field: and she lighted from off *her* ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wilt thou?
15 And she said unto him, Give me a blessing: for thou hast given me a south land; give
me also springs of water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs.
16 ¶ And the children of the Kenite, Moses' father in law, went up out of the city of palm
trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which *lieth* in the south of
Arad; and they went and dwelt among the people.
17 And Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they slew the Canaanites that inhabited
Zephath, and utterly destroyed it. And the name of the city was called Hormah.
18 Also Judah took Gaza with the coast thereof, and Askelon with the coast thereof, and
Ekron with the coast thereof.
19 And the LORD was with Judah; and he drave out *the inhabitants of* the mountain; but
could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had chariots of iron.§
20 And they gave Hebron unto Caleb, as Moses said: and he expelled thence the three
sons of Anak.
21 And the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that inhabited Jerusalem;
but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day.
22 ¶ And the house of Joseph, they also went up against Beth-el: and the LORD *was* with
them.
23 And the house of Joseph sent to descry Beth-el. (Now the name of the city before *was*
Luz.)
24 And the spies saw a man come forth out of the city, and they said unto him, Shew us,
we pray thee, the entrance into the city, and we will shew thee mercy.
25 And when he shewed them the entrance into the city, they smote the city with the edge
of the sword; but they let go the man and all his family.
26 And the man went into the land of the Hittites, and built a city, and called the name
thereof Luz: which *is* the name thereof unto this day.

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* **1:7** their thumbs...: Heb. the thumbs of their hands and of their feet † **1:7** gathered: or, gleaned ‡ **1:9** valley: or, low country § **1:19** drave...: or, possessed the mountain

27 ¶ Neither did Manasseh drive out *the inhabitants of* Beth-shean and her towns, nor
Taanach and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, nor the inhabitants of
Ibleam and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns: but the Canaanites
would dwell in that land.
28 And it came to pass, when Israel was strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute,
and did not utterly drive them out.
29 ¶ Neither did Ephraim drive out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer; but the Canaanites
dwelt in Gezer among them.
30 ¶ Neither did Zebulun drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the inhabitants of
Nahalol; but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries.
31 ¶ Neither did Asher drive out the inhabitants of Accho, nor the inhabitants of Zidon,
nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of Rehob:
32 But the Asherites dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: for they did
not drive them out.
33 ¶ Neither did Naphtali drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants
of Beth-anath; but he dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: neverthe-
less the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh and of Beth-anath became tributaries unto them.
34 And the Amorites forced the children of Dan into the mountain: for they would not
suffer them to come down to the valley:
35 But the Amorites would dwell in mount Heres in Aijalon, and in Shaalbim: yet the
hand of the house of Joseph prevailed, so that they became tributaries.**
36 And the coast of the Amorites *was* from the going up to Akrabbim, from the rock, and
upward.††

2

1 And an angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said, I made you to go
up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto the land which I sware unto your fathers; and
I said, I will never break my covenant with you.*
2 And ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land; ye shall throw down their
altars: but ye have not obeyed my voice: why have ye done this?
3 Wherefore I also said, I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall be *as*
thorns in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you.
4 And it came to pass, when the angel of the LORD spake these words unto all the children
of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and wept.
5 And they called the name of that place Bochim: and they sacrificed there unto the
LORD.†
6 ¶ And when Joshua had let the people go, the children of Israel went every man unto
his inheritance to possess the land.
7 And the people served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders
that outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the LORD, that he did for Israel.‡
8 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten
years old.
9 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-heres, in the mount of
Ephraim, on the north side of the hill Gaash.§
10 And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another
generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for
Israel.
11 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim:
12 And they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them out of the land
of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the gods of the people that *were* round about them,
and bowed themselves unto them, and provoked the LORD to anger.
13 And they forsook the LORD, and served Baal and Ashtaroth.
14 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he delivered them into the
hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and he sold them into the hands of their enemies round
about, so that they could not any longer stand before their enemies.
15 Whithersoever they went out, the hand of the LORD was against them for evil, as the
LORD had said, and as the LORD had sworn unto them: and they were greatly distressed.

** **1:35** prevailed: Heb. was heavy †† **1:36** the going...: or, Maaleh-acrabbim * **2:1** angel: or, messenger † **2:5** Bochim: that is, Weepers ‡ **2:7** outlived: Heb. prolonged days after § **2:9** Timnath-heres: also called, Timnath-serah

16 ¶ Nevertheless the LORD raised up judges, which delivered them out of the hand of
those that spoiled them.**
17 And yet they would not hearken unto their judges, but they went a whoring after other
gods, and bowed themselves unto them: they turned quickly out of the way which their
fathers walked in, obeying the commandments of the LORD; *but* they did not so.
18 And when the LORD raised them up judges, then the LORD was with the judge, and
delivered them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge: for it repented
the LORD because of their groanings by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed
them.
19 And it came to pass, when the judge was dead, *that* they returned, and corrupted
themselves more than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down
unto them; they ceased not from their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.††‡‡
20 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel; and he said, Because that this
people hath transgressed my covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not
hearkened unto my voice;
21 I also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations which Joshua
left when he died:
22 That through them I may prove Israel, whether they will keep the way of the LORD to
walk therein, as their fathers did keep *it*, or not.
23 Therefore the LORD left those nations, without driving them out hastily; neither
delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.§§

3

1 Now these *are* the nations which the LORD left, to prove Israel by them, *even* as many
of Israel as had not known all the wars of Canaan;
2 Only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the
least such as before knew nothing thereof;
3 *Namely*, five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the
Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entering in of
Hamath.
4 And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the
commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.
5 ¶ And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and Amorites, and
Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites:
6 And they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons,
and served their gods.
7 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and forgat the LORD their
God, and served Baalim and the groves.
8 ¶ Therefore the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hand
of Chushan-rishathaim king of Mesopotamia: and the children of Israel served Chushan-
rishathaim eight years.*
9 And when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised up a deliverer to
the children of Israel, who delivered them, *even* Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger
brother.†
10 And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he judged Israel, and went out to war:
and the LORD delivered Chushan-rishathaim king of Mesopotamia into his hand; and his
hand prevailed against Chushan-rishathaim.‡§
11 And the land had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz died.
12 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD
strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done evil in the sight
of the LORD.
13 And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek, and went and smote
Israel, and possessed the city of palm trees.
14 So the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.

** **2:16** delivered: Heb. saved †† **2:19** corrupted...: or, were corrupt ‡‡ **2:19** ceased...: Heb. let nothing fall of their §§ **2:23** left: or, suffered * **3:8** Mesopotamia: Heb. Aram-naharaim † **3:9** deliverer: Heb. saviour ‡ **3:10** came: Heb. was § **3:10** Mesopotamia: Heb. Aram

15 But when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised them up a
deliverer, Ehud the son of Gera, a Benjamite, a man lefthanded: and by him the children
of Israel sent a present unto Eglon the king of Moab.**††
16 But Ehud made him a dagger which had two edges, of a cubit length; and he did gird it
under his raiment upon his right thigh.
17 And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon *was* a very fat man.
18 And when he had made an end to offer the present, he sent away the people that bare
the present.
19 But he himself turned again from the quarries that *were* by Gilgal, and said, I have a
secret errand unto thee, O king: who said, Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out
from him.‡‡
20 And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in a summer parlour, which he had for
himself alone. And Ehud said, I have a message from God unto thee. And he arose out of
his seat.§§
21 And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust
it into his belly:
22 And the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he
could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and the dirt came out.***
23 Then Ehud went forth through the porch, and shut the doors of the parlour upon him,
and locked them.
24 When he was gone out, his servants came; and when they saw that, behold, the doors
of the parlour *were* locked, they said, Surely he covereth his feet in his summer chamber.†††
25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, behold, he opened not the doors of the
parlour; therefore they took a key, and opened *them:* and, behold, their lord *was* fallen
down dead on the earth.
26 And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the quarries, and escaped
unto Seirath.
27 And it came to pass, when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in the mountain of
Ephraim, and the children of Israel went down with him from the mount, and he before
them.
28 And he said unto them, Follow after me: for the LORD hath delivered your enemies
the Moabites into your hand. And they went down after him, and took the fords of Jordan
toward Moab, and suffered not a man to pass over.
29 And they slew of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, all lusty, and all men of
valour; and there escaped not a man.‡‡‡
30 So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest
fourscore years.
31 ¶ And after him was Shamgar the son of Anath, which slew of the Philistines six
hundred men with an ox goad: and he also delivered Israel.

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1 And the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the LORD, when Ehud was dead.
2 And the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor;
the captain of whose host *was* Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles.
3 And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD: for he had nine hundred chariots of
iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the children of Israel.
4 ¶ And Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, she judged Israel at that time.
5 And she dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and Beth-el in mount
Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for judgment.
6 And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali, and said unto
him, Hath not the LORD God of Israel commanded, *saying*, Go and draw toward mount
Tabor, and take with thee ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children
of Zebulun?
7 And I will draw unto thee to the river Kishon Sisera, the captain of Jabin's army, with
his chariots and his multitude; and I will deliver him into thine hand.
8 And Barak said unto her, If thou wilt go with me, then I will go: but if thou wilt not go
with me, *then* I will not go.

** **3:15** a Benjamite: or, the son of Jemini †† **3:15** lefthanded: Heb. shut of his right hand ‡‡ **3:19** quarries: or, graven images §§ **3:20** a summer...: Heb. a parlour of cooling *** **3:22** the dirt...: or, it came out at the buttocks ††† **3:24** covereth...: or, doeth his easement ‡‡‡ **3:29** lusty: Heb. fat

9 And she said, I will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the journey that thou takest
shall not be for thine honour; for the LORD shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And
Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh.
10 ¶ And Barak called Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and he went up with ten thousand
men at his feet: and Deborah went up with him.
11 Now Heber the Kenite, *which was* of the children of Hobab the father in law of Moses,
had severed himself from the Kenites, and pitched his tent unto the plain of Zaanaim,
which *is* by Kedesh.
12 And they shewed Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up to mount Tabor.
13 And Sisera gathered together all his chariots, *even* nine hundred chariots of iron, and
all the people that *were* with him, from Harosheth of the Gentiles unto the river of Kishon.*
14 And Deborah said unto Barak, Up; for this *is* the day in which the LORD hath delivered
Sisera into thine hand: is not the LORD gone out before thee? So Barak went down from
mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him.
15 And the LORD discomfited Sisera, and all *his* chariots, and all *his* host, with the edge
of the sword before Barak; so that Sisera lighted down off *his* chariot, and fled away on his
feet.
16 But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto Harosheth of the
Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera fell upon the edge of the sword; *and* there was not a
man left.†
17 Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet to the tent of Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite: for
there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.
18 ¶ And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, Turn in, my lord, turn in to me;
fear not. And when he had turned in unto her into the tent, she covered him with a mantle.‡
19 And he said unto her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink; for I am thirsty. And
she opened a bottle of milk, and gave him drink, and covered him.
20 Again he said unto her, Stand in the door of the tent, and it shall be, when any man
doth come and enquire of thee, and say, Is there any man here? that thou shalt say, No.
21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and took an hammer in her hand, and
went softly unto him, and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground:
for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died.§
22 And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him,
Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And when he came into her *tent*,
behold, Sisera lay dead, and the nail *was* in his temples.
23 So God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel.
24 And the hand of the children of Israel prospered, and prevailed against Jabin the king
of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.**

5

1 Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying,
2 Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered
themselves.
3 Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes; I, *even* I, will sing unto the LORD; I will sing
praise to the LORD God of Israel.
4 LORD, when thou wentest out of Seir, when thou marchedst out of the field of Edom,
the earth trembled, and the heavens dropped, the clouds also dropped water.
5 The mountains melted from before the LORD, *even* that Sinai from before the LORD
God of Israel.*
6 In the days of Shamgar the son of Anath, in the days of Jael, the highways were
unoccupied, and the travellers walked through byways.†‡
7 *The inhabitants of* the villages ceased, they ceased in Israel, until that I Deborah arose,
that I arose a mother in Israel.
8 They chose new gods; then *was* war in the gates: was there a shield or spear seen among
forty thousand in Israel?
9 My heart *is* toward the governors of Israel, that offered themselves willingly among the
people. Bless ye the LORD.
10 Speak, ye that ride on white asses, ye that sit in judgment, and walk by the way.§

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* **4:13** together: Heb. by cry, or, proclamation † **4:16** a man: Heb. unto one ‡ **4:18** mantle: or, rug, or, blanket § **4:21** and took: Heb. and put ** **4:24** prospered...: Heb. going went and was hard * **5:5** melted: Heb. flowed † **5:6** travellers: Heb. walkers of paths ‡ **5:6** byways: Heb. crooked ways § **5:10** Speak: or, Meditate

11 *They that are delivered* from the noise of archers in the places of drawing water, there
shall they rehearse the righteous acts of the LORD, *even* the righteous acts *toward the*
inhabitants of his villages in Israel: then shall the people of the LORD go down to the
gates.**
12 Awake, awake, Deborah: awake, awake, utter a song: arise, Barak, and lead thy
captivity captive, thou son of Abinoam.
13 Then he made him that remaineth have dominion over the nobles among the people:
the LORD made me have dominion over the mighty.
14 Out of Ephraim *was there* a root of them against Amalek; after thee, Benjamin, among
thy people; out of Machir came down governors, and out of Zebulun they that handle the
pen of the writer.††
15 And the princes of Issachar *were* with Deborah; even Issachar, and also Barak: he
was sent on foot into the valley. For the divisions of Reuben *there were* great thoughts of
heart.‡‡§§***
16 Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds, to hear the bleatings of the flocks? For the
divisions of Reuben *there were* great searchings of heart.†††
17 Gilead abode beyond Jordan: and why did Dan remain in ships? Asher continued on
the sea shore, and abode in his breaches.‡‡‡§§§
18 Zebulun and Naphtali *were* a people *that* jeoparded their lives unto the death in the
high places of the field.*
19 The kings came *and* fought, then fought the kings of Canaan in Taanach by the waters
of Megiddo; they took no gain of money.
20 They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera.†
21 The river of Kishon swept them away, that ancient river, the river Kishon. O my soul,
thou hast trodden down strength.
22 Then were the horsehoofs broken by the means of the pransings, the pransings of their
mighty ones.‡
23 Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof;
because they came not to the help of the LORD, to the help of the LORD against the mighty.
24 Blessed above women shall Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite be, blessed shall she be
above women in the tent.
25 He asked water, *and* she gave *him* milk; she brought forth butter in a lordly dish.
26 She put her hand to the nail, and her right hand to the workmen's hammer; and with
the hammer she smote Sisera, she smote off his head, when she had pierced and stricken
through his temples.§
27 At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay down: at her feet he bowed, he fell: where he
bowed, there he fell down dead.**††
28 The mother of Sisera looked out at a window, and cried through the lattice, Why is his
chariot *so* long in coming? why tarry the wheels of his chariots?
29 Her wise ladies answered her, yea, she returned answer to herself,‡‡
30 Have they not sped? have they *not* divided the prey; to every man a damsel *or* two; to
Sisera a prey of divers colours, a prey of divers colours of needlework, of divers colours of
needlework on both sides, *meet* for the necks of *them that take* the spoil?§§
31 So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but *let* them that love him *be* as the sun when
he goeth forth in his might. And the land had rest forty years.

6

1 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD delivered
them into the hand of Midian seven years.
2 And the hand of Midian prevailed against Israel: *and* because of the Midianites the
children of Israel made them the dens which *are* in the mountains, and caves, and strong
holds.*
3 And *so* it was, when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up, and the Amalekites,
and the children of the east, even they came up against them;

** **5:11** righteous...: Heb. righteousnesses †† **5:14** handle: Heb. draw with ‡‡ **5:15** foot: Heb. his feet §§ **5:15** thoughts: Heb. impressions *** **5:15** For: or, In ††† **5:16** For: or, In ‡‡‡ **5:17** shore: or, port §§§ **5:17** breaches: or, creeks * **5:18** jeoparded: Heb. exposed to reproach † **5:20** courses: Heb. paths ‡ **5:22** pransings: or, tramplings, or, plungings § **5:26** with...: Heb. she hammered ** **5:27** At: Heb. Between †† **5:27** dead: Heb. destroyed ‡‡ **5:29** answer: Heb. her words §§ **5:30** every...: Heb. the head of a man * **6:2** prevailed: Heb. was strong

4 And they encamped against them, and destroyed the increase of the earth, till thou
come unto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel, neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass.†
5 For they came up with their cattle and their tents, and they came as grasshoppers for
multitude; *for* both they and their camels were without number: and they entered into the
land to destroy it.
6 And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of
Israel cried unto the LORD.
7 ¶ And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the
Midianites,
8 That the LORD sent a prophet unto the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus
saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the
house of bondage;‡
9 And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that
oppressed you, and drave them out from before you, and gave you their land;
10 And I said unto you, I *am* the LORD your God; fear not the gods of the Amorites, in
whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.
11 ¶ And there came an angel of the LORD, and sat under an oak which *was* in Ophrah,
that *pertained* unto Joash the Abi-ezrite: and his son Gideon threshed wheat by the
winepress, to hide *it* from the Midianites.§**
12 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him, The LORD *is* with
thee, thou mighty man of valour.
13 And Gideon said unto him, Oh my Lord, if the LORD be with us, why then is all this
befallen us? and where *be* all his miracles which our fathers told us of, saying, Did not the
LORD bring us up from Egypt? but now the LORD hath forsaken us, and delivered us into
the hands of the Midianites.
14 And the LORD looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save
Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?
15 And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold, my family
is poor in Manasseh, and I *am* the least in my father's house.††
16 And the LORD said unto him, Surely I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the
Midianites as one man.
17 And he said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, then shew me a sign that
thou talkest with me.
18 Depart not hence, I pray thee, until I come unto thee, and bring forth my present, and
set *it* before thee. And he said, I will tarry until thou come again.‡‡
19 ¶ And Gideon went in, and made ready a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of
flour: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought *it* out unto
him under the oak, and presented *it*.§§
20 And the angel of God said unto him, Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay
them upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so.
21 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that *was* in his hand, and
touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and
consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of
his sight.
22 And when Gideon perceived that he *was* an angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O
Lord GOD! for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face.
23 And the LORD said unto him, Peace *be* unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die.
24 Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, and called it Jehovah-shalom: unto
this day it *is* yet in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.***
25 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Take thy father's
young bullock, even the second bullock of seven years old, and throw down the altar of
Baal that thy father hath, and cut down the grove that *is* by it:†††
26 And build an altar unto the LORD thy God upon the top of this rock, in the ordered
place, and take the second bullock, and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grove
which thou shalt cut down.‡‡‡§§§

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† **6:4** sheep: or goat ‡ **6:8** a prophet: Heb. a man a prophet § **6:11** Gideon: Gr. Gedeon ** **6:11** to hide...: Heb. to cause it to flee †† **6:15** my family...: Heb. my thousand is the meanest ‡‡ **6:18** present: or, meat offering §§ **6:19** a kid: Heb. a kid of the goats *** **6:24** Jehovah-shalom: that is, The LORD send peace ††† **6:25** even: or, and ‡‡‡ **6:26** rock: Heb. strong place §§§ **6:26** in the ordered...: or, in an orderly manner

27 Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and did as the LORD had said unto him: and
so it was, because he feared his father's household, and the men of the city, that he could
not do *it* by day, that he did *it* by night.
28 ¶ And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold, the altar of Baal
was cast down, and the grove was cut down that *was* by it, and the second bullock was
offered upon the altar *that was* built.
29 And they said one to another, Who hath done this thing? And when they enquired and
asked, they said, Gideon the son of Joash hath done this thing.
30 Then the men of the city said unto Joash, Bring out thy son, that he may die: because
he hath cast down the altar of Baal, and because he hath cut down the grove that *was* by it.
31 And Joash said unto all that stood against him, Will ye plead for Baal? will ye save him?
he that will plead for him, let him be put to death whilst *it is yet* morning: if he *be* a god, let
him plead for himself, because *one* hath cast down his altar.
32 Therefore on that day he called him Jerubbaal, saying, Let Baal plead against him,
because he hath thrown down his altar.*†
33 ¶ Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites and the children of the east were gathered
together, and went over, and pitched in the valley of Jezreel.
34 But the Spirit of the LORD came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet; and Abi-ezer
was gathered after him.‡§
35 And he sent messengers throughout all Manasseh; who also was gathered after him:
and he sent messengers unto Asher, and unto Zebulun, and unto Naphtali; and they came
up to meet them.**
36 ¶ And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said,
37 Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; *and* if the dew be on the fleece only, and *it*
be dry upon all the earth *beside*, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine hand,
as thou hast said.
38 And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and
wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.
39 And Gideon said unto God, Let not thine anger be hot against me, and I will speak but
this once: let me prove, I pray thee, but this once with the fleece; let it now be dry only upon
the fleece, and upon all the ground let there be dew.
40 And God did so that night: for it was dry upon the fleece only, and there was dew on
all the ground.

7

1 Then Jerubbaal, who *is* Gideon, and all the people that *were* with him, rose up early,
and pitched beside the well of Harod: so that the host of the Midianites were on the north
side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.
2 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that *are* with thee *are* too many for me to
give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine
own hand hath saved me.
3 Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, Whosoever *is* fearful
and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead. And there returned of the
people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.
4 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people *are* yet *too* many; bring them down unto
the water, and I will try them for thee there: and it shall be, *that* of whom I say unto thee,
This shall go with thee, the same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee,
This shall not go with thee, the same shall not go.
5 So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every
one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by
himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.
6 And the number of them that lapped, *putting* their hand to their mouth, were three
hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water.
7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you,
and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the *other* people go every man unto
his place.

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* **6:32** Jerubbaal: that is, Let Baal plead † **6:32** Jerubbesheth: that is, Let the shameful thing plead ‡ **6:34** came...: Heb. clothed § **6:34** gathered: Heb. called ** **6:35** gathered: Heb. called

8 So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all *the rest*
of Israel every man unto his tent, and retained those three hundred men: and the host of
Midian was beneath him in the valley.
9 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down
unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.
10 But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down to the host:
11 And thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened
to go down unto the host. Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of
the armed men that *were* in the host.*
12 And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the
valley like grasshoppers for multitude; and their camels *were* without number, as the sand
by the sea side for multitude.
13 And when Gideon was come, behold, *there was* a man that told a dream unto his fellow,
and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host
of Midian, and came unto a tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay
along.
14 And his fellow answered and said, This *is* nothing else save the sword of Gideon the
son of Joash, a man of Israel: *for* into his hand hath God delivered Midian, and all the host.
15 ¶ And it was *so*, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and the interpretation
thereof, that he worshipped, and returned into the host of Israel, and said, Arise; for the
LORD hath delivered into your hand the host of Midian.†
16 And he divided the three hundred men *into* three companies, and he put a trumpet in
every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and lamps within the pitchers.‡§
17 And he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the
outside of the camp, it shall be *that*, as I do, so shall ye do.
18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that *are* with me, then blow ye the trumpets also
on every side of all the camp, and say, *The sword* of the LORD, and of Gideon.
19 ¶ So Gideon, and the hundred men that *were* with him, came unto the outside of the
camp in the beginning of the middle watch; and they had but newly set the watch: and
they blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers that *were* in their hands.
20 And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the
lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to blow *withal:* and they
cried, The sword of the LORD, and of Gideon.
21 And they stood every man in his place round about the camp: and all the host ran, and
cried, and fled.
22 And the three hundred blew the trumpets, and the LORD set every man's sword against
his fellow, even throughout all the host: and the host fled to Beth-shittah in Zererath, *and*
to the border of Abel-meholah, unto Tabbath.**††
23 And the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher,
and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after the Midianites.
24 ¶ And Gideon sent messengers throughout all mount Ephraim, saying, Come down
against the Midianites, and take before them the waters unto Beth-barah and Jordan. Then
all the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and took the waters unto Beth-barah
and Jordan.
25 And they took two princes of the Midianites, Oreb and Zeeb; and they slew Oreb upon
the rock Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeeb, and pursued Midian, and
brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon on the other side Jordan.

8

1 And the men of Ephraim said unto him, Why hast thou served us thus, that thou calledst
us not, when thou wentest to fight with the Midianites? And they did chide with him
sharply.*†
2 And he said unto them, What have I done now in comparison of you? *Is* not the gleaning
of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of Abi-ezer?
3 God hath delivered into your hands the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what
was I able to do in comparison of you? Then their anger was abated toward him, when he
had said that.‡

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* **7:11** armed men: or, ranks by five † **7:15** interpretation: Heb. breaking ‡ **7:16** a trumpet...: Heb. trumpets in the hand of all of them § **7:16** lamps: or, firebrands, or, torches ** **7:22** in: or, toward †† **7:22** border: Heb. lip
* **8:1** Why...: Heb. What thing is this thou hast done unto us † **8:1** sharply: Heb. strongly ‡ **8:3** anger: Heb. spirit

4 ¶ And Gideon came to Jordan, *and* passed over, he, and the three hundred men that
were with him, faint, yet pursuing *them*.
5 And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people
that follow me; for they *be* faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of
Midian.
6 ¶ And the princes of Succoth said, *Are* the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine
hand, that we should give bread unto thine army?
7 And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into
mine hand, then I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers.§
8 ¶ And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise: and the men of
Penuel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered *him*.
9 And he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come again in peace, I will
break down this tower.
10 ¶ Now Zebah and Zalmunna *were* in Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen
thousand *men*, all that were left of all the hosts of the children of the east: for there fell an
hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword.**
11 ¶ And Gideon went up by the way of them that dwelt in tents on the east of Nobah and
Jogbehah, and smote the host: for the host was secure.
12 And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he pursued after them, and took the two kings
of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and discomfited all the host.††
13 ¶ And Gideon the son of Joash returned from battle before the sun *was up*,
14 And caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and enquired of him: and he described
unto him the princes of Succoth, and the elders thereof, *even* threescore and seventeen
men.‡‡
15 And he came unto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, with
whom ye did upbraid me, saying, *Are* the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand,
that we should give bread unto thy men *that are* weary?
16 And he took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with
them he taught the men of Succoth.§§
17 And he beat down the tower of Penuel, and slew the men of the city.
18 ¶ Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men *were they* whom ye
slew at Tabor? And they answered, As thou *art*, so *were* they; each one resembled the
children of a king.***
19 And he said, They *were* my brethren, *even* the sons of my mother: *as* the LORD liveth,
if ye had saved them alive, I would not slay you.
20 And he said unto Jether his firstborn, Up, *and* slay them. But the youth drew not his
sword: for he feared, because he *was* yet a youth.
21 Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as the man *is, so is* his
strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took away the ornaments
that *were* on their camels' necks.†††
22 ¶ Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon, Rule thou over us, both thou, and thy son,
and thy son's son also: for thou hast delivered us from the hand of Midian.
23 And Gideon said unto them, I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over
you: the LORD shall rule over you.
24 ¶ And Gideon said unto them, I would desire a request of you, that ye would give
me every man the earrings of his prey. (For they had golden earrings, because they *were*
Ishmaelites.)
25 And they answered, We will willingly give *them*. And they spread a garment, and did
cast therein every man the earrings of his prey.
26 And the weight of the golden earrings that he requested was a thousand and seven
hundred *shekels* of gold; beside ornaments, and collars, and purple raiment that *was* on
the kings of Midian, and beside the chains that *were* about their camels' necks.‡‡‡
27 And Gideon made an ephod thereof, and put it in his city, *even* in Ophrah: and all Israel
went thither a whoring after it: which thing became a snare unto Gideon, and to his house.
28 ¶ Thus was Midian subdued before the children of Israel, so that they lifted up their
heads no more. And the country was in quietness forty years in the days of Gideon.
29 ¶ And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and dwelt in his own house.

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§ **8:7** tear: Heb. thresh ** **8:10** men that...: or, every one drawing a sword †† **8:12** discomfited: Heb. terrified
‡‡ **8:14** described: Heb. writ §§ **8:16** taught: Heb. made to know *** **8:18** resembled...: Heb. according to the
form, etc ††† **8:21** ornaments: or, ornaments like the moon ‡‡‡ **8:26** collars: or, sweet jewels

30 And Gideon had threescore and ten sons of his body begotten: for he had many
wives.§§§
31 And his concubine that *was* in Shechem, she also bare him a son, whose name he called
Abimelech.*
32 ¶ And Gideon the son of Joash died in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulchre
of Joash his father, in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.
33 And it came to pass, as soon as Gideon was dead, that the children of Israel turned
again, and went a whoring after Baalim, and made Baal-berith their god.
34 And the children of Israel remembered not the LORD their God, who had delivered
them out of the hands of all their enemies on every side:
35 Neither shewed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal, *namely*, Gideon, according to
all the goodness which he had shewed unto Israel.

9

1 And Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem unto his mother's brethren, and
communed with them, and with all the family of the house of his mother's father, saying,
2 Speak, I pray you, in the ears of all the men of Shechem, Whether *is* better for you, either
that all the sons of Jerubbaal, *which are* threescore and ten persons, reign over you, or that
one reign over you? remember also that I *am* your bone and your flesh.*
3 And his mother's brethren spake of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these
words: and their hearts inclined to follow Abimelech; for they said, He *is* our brother.†
4 And they gave him threescore and ten *pieces* of silver out of the house of Baal-berith,
wherewith Abimelech hired vain and light persons, which followed him.
5 And he went unto his father's house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren the sons of
Jerubbaal, *being* threescore and ten persons, upon one stone: notwithstanding yet Jotham
the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he hid himself.
6 And all the men of Shechem gathered together, and all the house of Millo, and went,
and made Abimelech king, by the plain of the pillar that *was* in Shechem.‡
7 ¶ And when they told *it* to Jotham, he went and stood in the top of mount Gerizim, and
lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto them, Hearken unto me, ye men of Shechem,
that God may hearken unto you.
8 The trees went forth *on a time* to anoint a king over them; and they said unto the olive
tree, Reign thou over us.
9 But the olive tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, wherewith by me they
honour God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees?§
10 And the trees said to the fig tree, Come thou, *and* reign over us.
11 But the fig tree said unto them, Should I forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit, and
go to be promoted over the trees?
12 Then said the trees unto the vine, Come thou, *and* reign over us.
13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man,
and go to be promoted over the trees?
14 Then said all the trees unto the bramble, Come thou, *and* reign over us.**
15 And the bramble said unto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me king over you, *then* come
and put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of the bramble, and devour
the cedars of Lebanon.
16 Now therefore, if ye have done truly and sincerely, in that ye have made Abimelech
king, and if ye have dealt well with Jerubbaal and his house, and have done unto him
according to the deserving of his hands;
17 (For my father fought for you, and adventured his life far, and delivered you out of the
hand of Midian:††
18 And ye are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons,
threescore and ten persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech, the son of his
maidservant, king over the men of Shechem, because he *is* your brother;)
19 If ye then have dealt truly and sincerely with Jerubbaal and with his house this day,
then rejoice ye in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you:

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§§§ **8:30** of his...: Heb. going out of his thigh * **8:31** called: Heb. set * **9:2** Whether...: Heb. What is good? whether, etc † **9:3** to follow: Heb. after ‡ **9:6** plain: or, oak § **9:9** go...: or, go up and down for other trees ** **9:14** bramble: or, thistle †† **9:17** adventured...: Heb. cast his life

20 But if not, let fire come out from Abimelech, and devour the men of Shechem, and the
house of Millo; and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo,
and devour Abimelech.
21 And Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there, for fear of
Abimelech his brother.
22 ¶ When Abimelech had reigned three years over Israel,
23 Then God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem; and the men
of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech:
24 That the cruelty *done* to the threescore and ten sons of Jerubbaal might come, and
their blood be laid upon Abimelech their brother, which slew them; and upon the men of
Shechem, which aided him in the killing of his brethren.‡‡
25 And the men of Shechem set liers in wait for him in the top of the mountains, and they
robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech.
26 And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went over to Shechem: and the
men of Shechem put their confidence in him.
27 And they went out into the fields, and gathered their vineyards, and trode *the grapes*,
and made merry, and went into the house of their god, and did eat and drink, and cursed
Abimelech.§§
28 And Gaal the son of Ebed said, Who *is* Abimelech, and who *is* Shechem, that we should
serve him? *is* not *he* the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve the men of Hamor
the father of Shechem: for why should we serve him?
29 And would to God this people were under my hand! then would I remove Abimelech.
And he said to Abimelech, Increase thine army, and come out.
30 ¶ And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the son of Ebed, his
anger was kindled.***
31 And he sent messengers unto Abimelech privily, saying, Behold, Gaal the son of Ebed
and his brethren be come to Shechem; and, behold, they fortify the city against thee.†††
32 Now therefore up by night, thou and the people that *is* with thee, and lie in wait in the
field:
33 And it shall be, *that* in the morning, as soon as the sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and
set upon the city: and, behold, *when* he and the people that *is* with him come out against
thee, then mayest thou do to them as thou shalt find occasion.‡‡‡
34 ¶ And Abimelech rose up, and all the people that *were* with him, by night, and they laid
wait against Shechem in four companies.
35 And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and
Abimelech rose up, and the people that *were* with him, from lying in wait.
36 And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold, there come people down from
the top of the mountains. And Zebul said unto him, Thou seest the shadow of the mountains
as *if they were* men.
37 And Gaal spake again and said, See there come people down by the middle of the land,
and another company come along by the plain of Meonenim.§§§*
38 Then said Zebul unto him, Where *is* now thy mouth, wherewith thou saidst, Who *is*
Abimelech, that we should serve him? *is* not this the people that thou hast despised? go
out, I pray now, and fight with them.
39 And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech.
40 And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and many were overthrown *and*
wounded, *even* unto the entering of the gate.
41 And Abimelech dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal and his brethren, that they
should not dwell in Shechem.
42 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into the field; and they
told Abimelech.
43 And he took the people, and divided them into three companies, and laid wait in the
field, and looked, and, behold, the people *were* come forth out of the city; and he rose up
against them, and smote them.
44 And Abimelech, and the company that *was* with him, rushed forward, and stood in the
entering of the gate of the city: and the two *other* companies ran upon all *the people* that
were in the fields, and slew them.

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‡‡ **9:24** aided...: Heb. strengthened his hands to kill §§ **9:27** merry: or, songs *** **9:30** kindled: or, hot ††† **9:31** privily: Heb. craftily or, to Tormah ‡‡‡ **9:33** as thou shalt...: Heb. as thine hand shall find §§§ **9:37** middle: Heb. navel * **9:37** Meonenim: or, the regarders of times

45 And Abimelech fought against the city all that day; and he took the city, and slew the
people that *was* therein, and beat down the city, and sowed it with salt.
46 ¶ And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard *that*, they entered into an hold
of the house of the god Berith.
47 And it was told Abimelech, that all the men of the tower of Shechem were gathered
together.
48 And Abimelech gat him up to mount Zalmon, he and all the people that *were* with him;
and Abimelech took an axe in his hand, and cut down a bough from the trees, and took it,
and laid *it* on his shoulder, and said unto the people that *were* with him, What ye have seen
me do, make haste, *and* do as I *have done*.†
49 And all the people likewise cut down every man his bough, and followed Abimelech,
and put *them* to the hold, and set the hold on fire upon them; so that all the men of the tower
of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women.
50 ¶ Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and took it.
51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the men and women,
and all they of the city, and shut *it* to them, and gat them up to the top of the tower.
52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and went hard unto the
door of the tower to burn it with fire.
53 And a certain woman cast a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's head, and all to
brake his skull.
54 Then he called hastily unto the young man his armourbearer, and said unto him, Draw
thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, A woman slew him. And his young man
thrust him through, and he died.
55 And when the men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they departed every man
unto his place.
56 ¶ Thus God rendered the wickedness of Abimelech, which he did unto his father, in
slaying his seventy brethren:
57 And all the evil of the men of Shechem did God render upon their heads: and upon
them came the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal.

10

1 And after Abimelech there arose to defend Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo,
a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim.*
2 And he judged Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was buried in Shamir.
3 ¶ And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and judged Israel twenty and two years.
4 And he had thirty sons that rode on thirty ass colts, and they had thirty cities, which are
called Havoth-jair unto this day, which *are* in the land of Gilead.†
5 And Jair died, and was buried in Camon.
6 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim,
and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the
gods of the children of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines, and forsook the LORD, and
served not him.
7 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hands of
the Philistines, and into the hands of the children of Ammon.
8 And that year they vexed and oppressed the children of Israel: eighteen years, all the
children of Israel that *were* on the other side Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which *is*
in Gilead.‡
9 Moreover the children of Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also against Judah, and
against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore distressed.
10 ¶ And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, saying, We have sinned against thee,
both because we have forsaken our God, and also served Baalim.
11 And the LORD said unto the children of Israel, *Did* not *I deliver you* from the Egyptians,
and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines?
12 The Zidonians also, and the Amalekites, and the Maonites, did oppress you; and ye
cried to me, and I delivered you out of their hand.
13 Yet ye have forsaken me, and served other gods: wherefore I will deliver you no more.
14 Go and cry unto the gods which ye have chosen; let them deliver you in the time of
your tribulation.

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† **9:48** me do: Heb. I have done * **10:1** defend: or, deliver: Heb. save † **10:4** Havoth-jair: or, the villages of Jair
‡ **10:8** oppressed: Heb. crushed

15 ¶ And the children of Israel said unto the LORD, We have sinned: do thou unto us
whatsoever seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only, we pray thee, this day.§
16 And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served the LORD: and his
soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.**††
17 Then the children of Ammon were gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And
the children of Israel assembled themselves together, and encamped in Mizpeh.‡‡
18 And the people *and* princes of Gilead said one to another, What man *is he* that will
begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall be head over all the inhabitants of
Gilead.

11

1 Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valour, and he *was* the son of an harlot:
and Gilead begat Jephthah.*†
2 And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and his wife's sons grew up, and they thrust out
Jephthah, and said unto him, Thou shalt not inherit in our father's house; for thou *art* the
son of a strange woman.
3 Then Jephthah fled from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of Tob: and there were
gathered vain men to Jephthah, and went out with him.‡
4 ¶ And it came to pass in process of time, that the children of Ammon made war against
Israel.§
5 And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against Israel, the elders of
Gilead went to fetch Jephthah out of the land of Tob:
6 And they said unto Jephthah, Come, and be our captain, that we may fight with the
children of Ammon.
7 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, Did not ye hate me, and expel me out of
my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now when ye are in distress?
8 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Therefore we turn again to thee now, that
thou mayest go with us, and fight against the children of Ammon, and be our head over all
the inhabitants of Gilead.
9 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, If ye bring me home again to fight against
the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliver them before me, shall I be your head?
10 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, The LORD be witness between us, if we
do not so according to thy words.**
11 Then Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and
captain over them: and Jephthah uttered all his words before the LORD in Mizpeh.
12 ¶ And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What
hast thou to do with me, that thou art come against me to fight in my land?
13 And the king of the children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah,
Because Israel took away my land, when they came up out of Egypt, from Arnon even unto
Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those *lands* again peaceably.
14 And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the children of Ammon:
15 And said unto him, Thus saith Jephthah, Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the
land of the children of Ammon:
16 But when Israel came up from Egypt, and walked through the wilderness unto the Red
sea, and came to Kadesh;
17 Then Israel sent messengers unto the king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee, pass
through thy land: but the king of Edom would not hearken *thereto*. And in like manner
they sent unto the king of Moab: but he would not *consent:* and Israel abode in Kadesh.
18 Then they went along through the wilderness, and compassed the land of Edom, and
the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab, and pitched on the other
side of Arnon, but came not within the border of Moab: for Arnon *was* the border of Moab.
19 And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, the king of Heshbon; and
Israel said unto him, Let us pass, we pray thee, through thy land into my place.
20 But Sihon trusted not Israel to pass through his coast: but Sihon gathered all his people
together, and pitched in Jahaz, and fought against Israel.

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§ **10:15** seemeth...: Heb. is good in thine eyes ** **10:16** strange...: Heb. gods of strangers †† **10:16** grieved: Heb. shortened ‡‡ **10:17** gathered: Heb. cried * **11:1** Jephthah: Gr. Jephthae † **11:1** an harlot: Heb. a woman an harlot ‡ **11:3** from: Heb. from the face of § **11:4** in process...: Heb. after days ** **11:10** witness...: Heb. the hearer between us

21 And the LORD God of Israel delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel,
and they smote them: so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of
that country.
22 And they possessed all the coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and
from the wilderness even unto Jordan.
23 So now the LORD God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites from before his people
Israel, and shouldest thou possess it?
24 Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess? So
whomsoever the LORD our God shall drive out from before us, them will we possess.
25 And now *art* thou any thing better than Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab? did he
ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight against them,
26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns, and in Aroer and her towns, and in all
the cities that *be* along by the coasts of Arnon, three hundred years? why therefore did ye
not recover *them* within that time?
27 Wherefore I have not sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against
me: the LORD the Judge be judge this day between the children of Israel and the children
of Ammon.
28 Howbeit the king of the children of Ammon hearkened not unto the words of Jephthah
which he sent him.
29 ¶ Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead, and
Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over
unto the children of Ammon.
30 And Jephthah vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou shalt without fail deliver
the children of Ammon into mine hands,
31 Then it shall be, that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me,
when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD's, and I will
offer it up for a burnt offering.††‡‡
32 ¶ So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and the
LORD delivered them into his hands.
33 And he smote them from Aroer, even till thou come to Minnith, *even* twenty cities, and
unto the plain of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon
were subdued before the children of Israel.§§
34 ¶ And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold, his daughter came out
to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she *was his* only child; beside her he had
neither son nor daughter.***
35 And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my
daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that trouble me: for I
have opened my mouth unto the LORD, and I cannot go back.
36 And she said unto him, My father, *if* thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD, do to
me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as the LORD hath
taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, *even* of the children of Ammon.
37 And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two months,
that I may go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my
fellows.†††
38 And he said, Go. And he sent her away *for* two months: and she went with her
companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains.
39 And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who
did with her *according* to his vow which he had vowed: and she knew no man. And it was
a custom in Israel,‡‡‡
40 *That* the daughters of Israel went yearly to lament the daughter of Jephthah the
Gileadite four days in a year.§§§*

12

1 And the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and went northward, and said
unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the children of Ammon, and
didst not call us to go with thee? we will burn thine house upon thee with fire.*

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†† **11:31** whatsoever...: Heb. that which cometh forth, which shall come forth ‡‡ **11:31** and...: or, or I will offer it, etc
§§ **11:33** the plain: or, Abel *** **11:34** beside...: or, he had not of his own either son or daughter: Heb. of himself
††† **11:37** go up...: Heb. go and go down ‡‡‡ **11:39** custom: or, ordinance §§§ **11:40** yearly: Heb. from year to
year * **11:40** to lament: or, to talk with * **12:1** gathered...: Heb. were called

2 And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of
Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not out of their hands.
3 And when I saw that ye delivered *me* not, I put my life in my hands, and passed over
against the children of Ammon, and the LORD delivered them into my hand: wherefore
then are ye come up unto me this day, to fight against me?
4 Then Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and
the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites *are* fugitives of Ephraim
among the Ephraimites, *and* among the Manassites.
5 And the Gileadites took the passages of Jordan before the Ephraimites: and it was *so*,
that when those Ephraimites which were escaped said, Let me go over; that the men of
Gilead said unto him, *Art* thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay;
6 Then said they unto him, Say now Shibboleth: and he said Sibboleth: for he could not
frame to pronounce *it* right. Then they took him, and slew him at the passages of Jordan:
and there fell at that time of the Ephraimites forty and two thousand.
7 And Jephthah judged Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was buried
in *one of* the cities of Gilead.
8 ¶ And after him Ibzan of Beth-lehem judged Israel.
9 And he had thirty sons, and thirty daughters, *whom* he sent abroad, and took in thirty
daughters from abroad for his sons. And he judged Israel seven years.
10 Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Beth-lehem.
11 ¶ And after him Elon, a Zebulonite, judged Israel; and he judged Israel ten years.
12 And Elon the Zebulonite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the country of Zebulun.
13 ¶ And after him Abdon the son of Hillel, a Pirathonite, judged Israel.
14 And he had forty sons and thirty nephews, that rode on threescore and ten ass colts:
and he judged Israel eight years.†
15 And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the
land of Ephraim, in the mount of the Amalekites.

13

1 And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD delivered
them into the hand of the Philistines forty years.*
2 ¶ And there was a certain man of Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name *was*
Manoah; and his wife *was* barren, and bare not.
3 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto her, Behold now,
thou *art* barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son.
4 Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not
any unclean *thing:*
5 For, lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for the
child shall be a Nazarite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin to deliver Israel out
of the hand of the Philistines.
6 ¶ Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, A man of God came unto me, and
his countenance *was* like the countenance of an angel of God, very terrible: but I asked him
not whence he *was*, neither told he me his name:
7 But he said unto me, Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no
wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean *thing:* for the child shall be a Nazarite to
God from the womb to the day of his death.
8 ¶ Then Manoah intreated the LORD, and said, O my Lord, let the man of God which thou
didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be
born.
9 And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the angel of God came again unto the
woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband *was* not with her.
10 And the woman made haste, and ran, and shewed her husband, and said unto him,
Behold, the man hath appeared unto me, that came unto me the *other* day.
11 And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said unto him,
Art thou the man that spakest unto the woman? And he said, I *am*.
12 And Manoah said, Now let thy words come to pass. How shall we order the child, and
how shall we do unto him?†‡

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† **12:14** nephews: Heb. sons' sons * **13:1** did evil...: Heb. added to commit, etc † **13:12** How shall we order...: Heb. What shall be the manner of the, etc ‡ **13:12** how shall we do...: or, what shall he do?: Heb. what shall be his work?

13 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Of all that I said unto the woman let her
beware.
14 She may not eat of any *thing* that cometh of the vine, neither let her drink wine or
strong drink, nor eat any unclean *thing:* all that I commanded her let her observe.
15 ¶ And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, I pray thee, let us detain thee, until we
shall have made ready a kid for thee.§
16 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Though thou detain me, I will not eat
of thy bread: and if thou wilt offer a burnt offering, thou must offer it unto the LORD. For
Manoah knew not that he *was* an angel of the LORD.
17 And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, What *is* thy name, that when thy sayings
come to pass we may do thee honour?
18 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Why askest thou thus after my name, seeing
it *is* secret?**
19 So Manoah took a kid with a meat offering, and offered *it* upon a rock unto the LORD:
and *the angel* did wondrously; and Manoah and his wife looked on.
20 For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the
angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the altar. And Manoah and his wife looked on
it, and fell on their faces to the ground.
21 But the angel of the LORD did no more appear to Manoah and to his wife. Then Manoah
knew that he *was* an angel of the LORD.
22 And Manoah said unto his wife, We shall surely die, because we have seen God.
23 But his wife said unto him, If the LORD were pleased to kill us, he would not have
received a burnt offering and a meat offering at our hands, neither would he have shewed
us all these *things*, nor would as at this time have told us *such things* as these.
24 ¶ And the woman bare a son, and called his name Samson: and the child grew, and the
LORD blessed him.
25 And the Spirit of the LORD began to move him at times in the camp of Dan between
Zorah and Eshtaol.††

14

1 And Samson went down to Timnath, and saw a woman in Timnath of the daughters of
the Philistines.
2 And he came up, and told his father and his mother, and said, I have seen a woman in
Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore get her for me to wife.
3 Then his father and his mother said unto him, *Is there* never a woman among the
daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the
uncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for she
pleaseth me well.*
4 But his father and his mother knew not that it *was* of the LORD, that he sought an
occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion over Israel.
5 ¶ Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnath, and came to the
vineyards of Timnath: and, behold, a young lion roared against him.†
6 And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have
rent a kid, and *he had* nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he
had done.
7 And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased Samson well.
8 ¶ And after a time he returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carcase of the
lion: and, behold, *there was* a swarm of bees and honey in the carcase of the lion.
9 And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother,
and he gave them, and they did eat: but he told not them that he had taken the honey out
of the carcase of the lion.
10 ¶ So his father went down unto the woman: and Samson made there a feast; for so
used the young men to do.
11 And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought thirty companions to be
with him.
12 ¶ And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can certainly
declare it me within the seven days of the feast, and find *it* out, then I will give you thirty
sheets and thirty change of garments:‡

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§ **13:15** for thee: Heb. before thee ** **13:18** secret: or, wonderful †† **13:25** the camp...: Heb. Mahaneh-dan
* **14:3** pleaseth...: Heb. is right in mine eyes † **14:5** against...: Heb. in meeting him ‡ **14:12** sheets: or, shirts

13 But if ye cannot declare *it* me, then shall ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of
garments. And they said unto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it.§
14 And he said unto them, Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came
forth sweetness. And they could not in three days expound the riddle.
15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice thy
husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, lest we burn thee and thy father's house
with fire: have ye called us to take that we have? *is it* not *so*?**
16 And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me
not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told *it* me.
And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told *it* my father nor my mother, and shall I tell *it*
thee?
17 And she wept before him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass
on the seventh day, that he told her, because she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle
to the children of her people.††
18 And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down,
What *is* sweeter than honey? and what *is* stronger than a lion? And he said unto them, If
ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.
19 ¶ And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew
thirty men of them, and took their spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which
expounded the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.‡‡
20 But Samson's wife was *given* to his companion, whom he had used as his friend.

15

1 But it came to pass within a while after, in the time of wheat harvest, that Samson visited
his wife with a kid; and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father
would not suffer him to go in.
2 And her father said, I verily thought that thou hadst utterly hated her; therefore I gave
her to thy companion: *is* not her younger sister fairer than she? take her, I pray thee,
instead of her.*
3 ¶ And Samson said concerning them, Now shall I be more blameless than the
Philistines, though I do them a displeasure.†
4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and took firebrands, and turned
tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst between two tails.‡
5 And when he had set the brands on fire, he let *them* go into the standing corn of the
Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks, and also the standing corn, with the vineyards
and olives.
6 ¶ Then the Philistines said, Who hath done this? And they answered, Samson, the son
in law of the Timnite, because he had taken his wife, and given her to his companion. And
the Philistines came up, and burnt her and her father with fire.
7 ¶ And Samson said unto them, Though ye have done this, yet will I be avenged of you,
and after that I will cease.
8 And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter: and he went down and dwelt
in the top of the rock Etam.
9 ¶ Then the Philistines went up, and pitched in Judah, and spread themselves in Lehi.
10 And the men of Judah said, Why are ye come up against us? And they answered, To
bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he hath done to us.
11 Then three thousand men of Judah went to the top of the rock Etam, and said to
Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistines *are* rulers over us? what *is* this *that* thou
hast done unto us? And he said unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done unto them.§
12 And they said unto him, We are come down to bind thee, that we may deliver thee into
the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said unto them, Swear unto me, that ye will not
fall upon me yourselves.
13 And they spake unto him, saying, No; but we will bind thee fast, and deliver thee into
their hand: but surely we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two new cords, and
brought him up from the rock.

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§ **14:13** sheets: or, shirts ** **14:15** take...: Heb. possess us, or, impoverish us? †† **14:17** the seven...: or, the rest of the seven days ‡‡ **14:19** spoil: or, apparel * **15:2** take...: Heb. let her be thine † **15:3** more...: or, blameless from the Philistines though, etc ‡ **15:4** firebrands: or, torches § **15:11** went: Heb. went down

14 ¶ *And* when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of
the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that *were* upon his arms became as flax
that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands.**
15 And he found a new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a
thousand men therewith.††
16 And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an
ass have I slain a thousand men.‡‡
17 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the
jawbone out of his hand, and called that place Ramath-lehi.§§
18 ¶ And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said, Thou hast given this great
deliverance into the hand of thy servant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the
hand of the uncircumcised?
19 But God clave an hollow place that *was* in the jaw, and there came water thereout; and
when he had drunk, his spirit came again, and he revived: wherefore he called the name
thereof En-hakkore, which *is* in Lehi unto this day.***†††
20 And he judged Israel in the days of the Philistines twenty years.

16

1 Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in unto her.*
2 *And it was told* the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed *him* in,
and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night, saying, In
the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him.†
3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of
the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, bar and all, and put *them* upon his
shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that *is* before Hebron.‡
4 ¶ And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose
name *was* Delilah.§
5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see
wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what *means* we may prevail against him, that we
may bind him to afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred *pieces*
of silver.**
6 ¶ And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and
wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.
7 And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven green withs that were never
dried, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.††‡‡
8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not
been dried, and she bound him with them.§§
9 Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto
him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a thread of tow is
broken when it toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known.***
10 And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now
tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.
11 And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with new ropes that never were occupied,
then shall I be weak, and be as another man.†††
12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The
Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And *there were* liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And
he brake them from off his arms like a thread.
13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me
wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks
of my head with the web.
14 And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee,
Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and
with the web.

** **15:14** loosed: Heb. were melted †† **15:15** new: Heb. moist ‡‡ **15:16** heaps upon...: Heb. an heap, two heaps §§ **15:17** Ramath-lehi: that is, the lifting up of the jawbone, or, casting away of the jawbone *** **15:19** En-hakkore: that is, the well of him that called or, cried ††† **15:19** the jaw: or, Lehi, as called in this chapter * **16:1** harlot: Heb. a woman an harlot † **16:2** quiet: Heb. silence ‡ **16:3** bar...: Heb. with the bar § **16:4** in...: or, by the brook ** **16:5** afflict: or, humble †† **16:7** green...: or, new cords: Heb. moist ‡‡ **16:7** another: Heb. one §§ **16:8** green...: or, new cords: Heb. moist *** **16:9** toucheth: Heb. smelleth ††† **16:11** that never...: Heb. wherewith work hath not been done

15 ¶ And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart *is* not
with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great
strength *lieth*.
16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, *so*
that his soul was vexed unto death;‡‡‡
17 That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine
head; for I *have been* a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my
strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man.
18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords
of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the
lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.
19 And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him
to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went
from him.
20 And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and
said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD
was departed from him.
21 ¶ But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza,
and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house.§§§
22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven.*
23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice
unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our
enemy into our hand.
24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath
delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many
of us.†
25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that
he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made
them sport: and they set him between the pillars.‡
26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the
pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.
27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines *were*
there; and *there were* upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld
while Samson made sport.
28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee,
and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the
Philistines for my two eyes.
29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and on
which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.§
30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with *all his*
might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that *were* therein. So the
dead which he slew at his death were more than *they* which he slew in his life.**
31 Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and
brought *him* up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the buryingplace of Manoah
his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.

17

1 And there was a man of mount Ephraim, whose name *was* Micah.
2 And he said unto his mother, The eleven hundred *shekels* of silver that were taken from
thee, about which thou cursedst, and spakest of also in mine ears, behold, the silver *is* with
me; I took it. And his mother said, Blessed *be thou* of the LORD, my son.
3 And when he had restored the eleven hundred *shekels* of silver to his mother, his
mother said, I had wholly dedicated the silver unto the LORD from my hand for my son, to
make a graven image and a molten image: now therefore I will restore it unto thee.
4 Yet he restored the money unto his mother; and his mother took two hundred *shekels*
of silver, and gave them to the founder, who made thereof a graven image and a molten
image: and they were in the house of Micah.

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‡‡‡ **16:16** vexed: Heb. shortened §§§ **16:21** put out: Heb. bored out * **16:22** after...: or, as when he was shaven
† **16:24** which...: Heb. and who multiplied our slain ‡ **16:25** them: Heb. before them § **16:29** on which...: or, he
leaned on them ** **16:30** me: Heb. my soul

5 And the man Micah had an house of gods, and made an ephod, and teraphim, and
consecrated one of his sons, who became his priest.*
6 In those days *there was* no king in Israel, *but* every man did *that which was* right in his
own eyes.
7 ¶ And there was a young man out of Beth-lehem-judah of the family of Judah, who *was*
a Levite, and he sojourned there.
8 And the man departed out of the city from Beth-lehem-judah to sojourn where he could
find *a place:* and he came to mount Ephraim to the house of Micah, as he journeyed.†
9 And Micah said unto him, Whence comest thou? And he said unto him, I *am* a Levite of
Beth-lehem-judah, and I go to sojourn where I may find *a place.*
10 And Micah said unto him, Dwell with me, and be unto me a father and a priest, and I
will give thee ten *shekels* of silver by the year, and a suit of apparel, and thy victuals. So the
Levite went in.‡
11 And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young man was unto him
as one of his sons.
12 And Micah consecrated the Levite; and the young man became his priest, and was in
the house of Micah.
13 Then said Micah, Now know I that the LORD will do me good, seeing I have a Levite to
my priest.

18

1 In those days *there was* no king in Israel: and in those days the tribe of the Danites
sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto that day *all their* inheritance had not fallen
unto them among the tribes of Israel.
2 And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their coasts, men of valour,
from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them,
Go, search the land: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they
lodged there.*
3 When they *were* by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the young man the Levite:
and they turned in thither, and said unto him, Who brought thee hither? and what makest
thou in this *place*? and what hast thou here?
4 And he said unto them, Thus and thus dealeth Micah with me, and hath hired me, and
I am his priest.
5 And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray thee, of God, that we may know whether
our way which we go shall be prosperous.
6 And the priest said unto them, Go in peace: before the LORD *is* your way wherein ye go.
7 ¶ Then the five men departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people that *were* therein,
how they dwelt careless, after the manner of the Zidonians, quiet and secure; and *there
was* no magistrate in the land, that might put *them* to shame in *any* thing; and they *were*
far from the Zidonians, and had no business with *any* man.†‡
8 And they came unto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said unto
them, What *say* ye?
9 And they said, Arise, that we may go up against them: for we have seen the land, and,
behold, it *is* very good: and *are* ye still? be not slothful to go, *and* to enter to possess the
land.
10 When ye go, ye shall come unto a people secure, and to a large land: for God hath given
it into your hands; a place where *there is* no want of any thing that *is* in the earth.
11 ¶ And there went from thence of the family of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of
Eshtaol, six hundred men appointed with weapons of war.§
12 And they went up, and pitched in Kirjath-jearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that
place Mahaneh-dan unto this day: behold, *it is* behind Kirjath-jearim.
13 And they passed thence unto mount Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah.
14 ¶ Then answered the five men that went to spy out the country of Laish, and said unto
their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a
graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what ye have to do.
15 And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of the young man the Levite, *even*
unto the house of Micah, and saluted him.**

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* **17:5** consecrated: Heb. filled the hand † **17:8** as he...: Heb. in making his way ‡ **17:10** a suit...: or, a double suit, etc: Heb. an order of garments * **18:2** men of: Heb. sons of † **18:7** Laish: also called, Leshem ‡ **18:7** magistrate: Heb. possessor, or, heir of restraints § **18:11** appointed: Heb. girded ** **18:15** saluted...: Heb. asked him of peace

16 And the six hundred men appointed with their weapons of war, which *were* of the children of Dan, stood by the entering of the gate.
17 And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, *and* came in thither, *and* took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six hundred men *that were* appointed with weapons of war.
18 And these went into Micah's house, and fetched the carved image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image. Then said the priest unto them, What do ye?
19 And they said unto him, Hold thy peace, lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, and be to us a father and a priest: *is it* better for thee to be a priest unto the house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?
20 And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people.
21 So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the carriage before them.
22 ¶ *And* when they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that *were* in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the children of Dan.
23 And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What aileth thee, that thou comest with such a company?[††]
24 And he said, Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and what *is* this *that* ye say unto me, What aileth thee?
25 And the children of Dan said unto him, Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the lives of thy household.[‡‡]
26 And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they *were* too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house.
27 And they took *the things* which Micah had made, and the priest which he had, and came unto Laish, unto a people *that were* at quiet and secure: and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt the city with fire.
28 And *there was* no deliverer, because it *was* far from Zidon, and they had no business with *any* man; and it was in the valley that *lieth* by Beth-rehob. And they built a city, and dwelt therein.
29 And they called the name of the city Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city *was* Laish at the first.
30 ¶ And the children of Dan set up the graven image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the son of Manasseh, he and his sons were priests to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.
31 And they set them up Micah's graven image, which he made, all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

19

1 And it came to pass in those days, when *there was* no king in Israel, that there was a certain Levite sojourning on the side of mount Ephraim, who took to him a concubine out of Beth-lehem-judah.[*]
2 And his concubine played the whore against him, and went away from him unto her father's house to Beth-lehem-judah, and was there four whole months.[†]
3 And her husband arose, and went after her, to speak friendly unto her, *and* to bring her again, having his servant with him, and a couple of asses: and she brought him into her father's house: and when the father of the damsel saw him, he rejoiced to meet him.[‡]
4 And his father in law, the damsel's father, retained him; and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged there.
5 ¶ And it came to pass on the fourth day, when they arose early in the morning, that he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said unto his son in law, Comfort thine heart with a morsel of bread, and afterward go your way.[§]
6 And they sat down, and did eat and drink both of them together: for the damsel's father had said unto the man, Be content, I pray thee, and tarry all night, and let thine heart be merry.
7 And when the man rose up to depart, his father in law urged him: therefore he lodged there again.

[††] **18:23** comest...: Heb. art gathered together? [‡‡] **18:25** angry: Heb. bitter of soul [*] **19:1** a concubine: Heb. a woman a concubine, or, a wife a concubine [†] **19:2** four whole months: or, a year and four month: Heb. days, four months [‡] **19:3** friendly...: Heb. to her heart [§] **19:5** Comfort: Heb. Strengthen

8 And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart: and the damsel's father
said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee. And they tarried until afternoon, and they did eat
both of them.**
9 And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and his servant, his father
in law, the damsel's father, said unto him, Behold, now the day draweth toward evening,
I pray you tarry all night: behold, the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart
may be merry; and to morrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest go home.††‡‡§§
10 But the man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and departed, and came
over against Jebus, which *is* Jerusalem; and *there were* with him two asses saddled, his
concubine also *was* with him.***
11 *And* when they *were* by Jebus, the day was far spent; and the servant said unto his
master, Come, I pray thee, and let us turn in into this city of the Jebusites, and lodge in it.
12 And his master said unto him, We will not turn aside hither into the city of a stranger,
that *is* not of the children of Israel; we will pass over to Gibeah.
13 And he said unto his servant, Come, and let us draw near to one of these places to lodge
all night, in Gibeah, or in Ramah.
14 And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them *when they*
were by Gibeah, which *belongeth* to Benjamin.
15 And they turned aside thither, to go in *and* to lodge in Gibeah: and when he went in,
he sat him down in a street of the city: for *there was* no man that took them into his house
to lodging.
16 ¶ And, behold, there came an old man from his work out of the field at even, which
was also of mount Ephraim; and he sojourned in Gibeah: but the men of the place *were*
Benjamites.
17 And when he had lifted up his eyes, he saw a wayfaring man in the street of the city:
and the old man said, Whither goest thou? and whence comest thou?
18 And he said unto him, We *are* passing from Beth-lehem-judah toward the side of mount
Ephraim; from thence *am* I: and I went to Beth-lehem-judah, but I *am now* going to the
house of the LORD; and there *is* no man that receiveth me to house.†††
19 Yet there is both straw and provender for our asses; and there is bread and wine also
for me, and for thy handmaid, and for the young man *which is* with thy servants: *there is*
no want of any thing.
20 And the old man said, Peace *be* with thee; howsoever *let* all thy wants *lie* upon me; only
lodge not in the street.
21 So he brought him into his house, and gave provender unto the asses: and they washed
their feet, and did eat and drink.
22 ¶ *Now* as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain sons
of Belial, beset the house round about, *and* beat at the door, and spake to the master of the
house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may
know him.
23 And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay,
my brethren, *nay*, I pray you, do not *so* wickedly; seeing that this man is come into mine
house, do not this folly.
24 Behold, *here is* my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now,
and humble ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man
do not so vile a thing.‡‡‡
25 But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought
her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning:
and when the day began to spring, they let her go.
26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's
house where her lord *was*, till it was light.
27 And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out
to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down *at* the door of the
house, and her hands *were* upon the threshold.
28 And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going. But none answered. Then the man took
her *up* upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him unto his place.

** **19:8** until afternoon: Heb. till the day declined †† **19:9** draweth: Heb. is weak ‡‡ **19:9** the day groweth to an end: Heb. it is the pitching time of the day §§ **19:9** home: Heb. to thy tent *** **19:10** over against: Heb. to over against ††† **19:18** receiveth: Heb. gathereth ‡‡‡ **19:24** so vile...: Heb. the matter of this folly

29 ¶ And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine,
and divided her, *together* with her bones, into twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts
of Israel.
30 And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed done nor seen from the
day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of
it, take advice, and speak *your minds*.

20

1 Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as
one man, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the land of Gilead, unto the LORD in Mizpeh.
2 And the chief of all the people, *even* of all the tribes of Israel, presented themselves in
the assembly of the people of God, four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword.
3 (Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to
Mizpeh.) Then said the children of Israel, Tell *us*, how was this wickedness?
4 And the Levite, the husband of the woman that was slain, answered and said, I came
into Gibeah that *belongeth* to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge.*
5 And the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round about upon me by
night, *and* thought to have slain me: and my concubine have they forced, that she is dead.†
6 And I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country
of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed lewdness and folly in Israel.
7 Behold, ye *are* all children of Israel; give here your advice and counsel.
8 ¶ And all the people arose as one man, saying, We will not any *of us* go to his tent, neither
will we any *of us* turn into his house.
9 But now this *shall be* the thing which we will do to Gibeah; *we will go up* by lot against
it;
10 And we will take ten men of an hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an
hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the people,
that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin, according to all the folly that
they have wrought in Israel.
11 So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, knit together as one man.‡
12 ¶ And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, What
wickedness *is* this that is done among you?
13 Now therefore deliver *us* the men, the children of Belial, which *are* in Gibeah, that we
may put them to death, and put away evil from Israel. But the children of Benjamin would
not hearken to the voice of their brethren the children of Israel:
14 But the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together out of the cities unto
Gibeah, to go out to battle against the children of Israel.
15 And the children of Benjamin were numbered at that time out of the cities twenty
and six thousand men that drew sword, beside the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were
numbered seven hundred chosen men.
16 Among all this people *there were* seven hundred chosen men lefthanded; every one
could sling stones at an hair *breadth*, and not miss.
17 And the men of Israel, beside Benjamin, were numbered four hundred thousand men
that drew sword: all these *were* men of war.
18 ¶ And the children of Israel arose, and went up to the house of God, and asked counsel
of God, and said, Which of us shall go up first to the battle against the children of Benjamin?
And the LORD said, Judah *shall go up* first.
19 And the children of Israel rose up in the morning, and encamped against Gibeah.
20 And the men of Israel went out to battle against Benjamin; and the men of Israel put
themselves in array to fight against them at Gibeah.
21 And the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and destroyed down to the
ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two thousand men.
22 And the people the men of Israel encouraged themselves, and set their battle again in
array in the place where they put themselves in array the first day.
23 (And the children of Israel went up and wept before the LORD until even, and asked
counsel of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up again to battle against the children of Benjamin
my brother? And the LORD said, Go up against him.)
24 And the children of Israel came near against the children of Benjamin the second day.

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* **20:4** the Levite: Heb. the man the Levite † **20:5** forced: Heb. humbled ‡ **20:11** knit...: Heb. fellows

25 And Benjamin went forth against them out of Gibeah the second day, and destroyed
down to the ground of the children of Israel again eighteen thousand men; all these drew
the sword.
26 ¶ Then all the children of Israel, and all the people, went up, and came unto the house
of God, and wept, and sat there before the LORD, and fasted that day until even, and offered
burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.
27 And the children of Israel enquired of the LORD, (for the ark of the covenant of God
was there in those days,
28 And Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, stood before it in those days,)
saying, Shall I yet again go out to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother, or
shall I cease? And the LORD said, Go up; for to morrow I will deliver them into thine hand.
29 And Israel set liers in wait round about Gibeah.
30 And the children of Israel went up against the children of Benjamin on the third day,
and put themselves in array against Gibeah, as at other times.
31 And the children of Benjamin went out against the people, *and* were drawn away from
the city; and they began to smite of the people, *and* kill, as at other times, in the highways,
of which one goeth up to the house of God, and the other to Gibeah in the field, about thirty
men of Israel.§**
32 And the children of Benjamin said, They *are* smitten down before us, as at the first. But
the children of Israel said, Let us flee, and draw them from the city unto the highways.
33 And all the men of Israel rose up out of their place, and put themselves in array at Baal-
tamar: and the liers in wait of Israel came forth out of their places, *even* out of the meadows
of Gibeah.
34 And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the
battle was sore: but they knew not that evil *was* near them.
35 And the LORD smote Benjamin before Israel: and the children of Israel destroyed of
the Benjamites that day twenty and five thousand and an hundred men: all these drew the
sword.
36 So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten: for the men of Israel gave
place to the Benjamites, because they trusted unto the liers in wait which they had set
beside Gibeah.
37 And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the liers in wait drew
themselves along, and smote all the city with the edge of the sword.††
38 Now there was an appointed sign between the men of Israel and the liers in wait, that
they should make a great flame with smoke rise up out of the city.‡‡§§***
39 And when the men of Israel retired in the battle, Benjamin began to smite *and* kill of
the men of Israel about thirty persons: for they said, Surely they are smitten down before
us, as *in* the first battle.†††
40 But when the flame began to arise up out of the city with a pillar of smoke, the
Benjamites looked behind them, and, behold, the flame of the city ascended up to
heaven.‡‡‡
41 And when the men of Israel turned again, the men of Benjamin were amazed: for they
saw that evil was come upon them.§§§
42 Therefore they turned *their backs* before the men of Israel unto the way of the
wilderness; but the battle overtook them; and them which *came* out of the cities they
destroyed in the midst of them.
43 *Thus* they inclosed the Benjamites round about, *and* chased them, *and* trode them
down with ease over against Gibeah toward the sunrising.*†
44 And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these *were* men of valour.
45 And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon: and they
gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men; and pursued hard after them unto
Gidom, and slew two thousand men of them.
46 So that all which fell that day of Benjamin were twenty and five thousand men that
drew the sword; all these *were* men of valour.

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§ **20:31** to smite...: Heb. to smite of the people wounded as at, etc ** **20:31** the house...: or, Beth-el †† **20:37** drew...: or, made a long sound with the trumpet ‡‡ **20:38** sign: or, time §§ **20:38** and: Heb. with *** **20:38** flame: Heb. elevation ††† **20:39** to smite...: Heb. to smite the wounded ‡‡‡ **20:40** the flame of: Heb. the whole consumption of §§§ **20:41** was come...: Heb. touched them * **20:43** with ease...: or, from Menuchah, etc † **20:43** over...: Heb. unto over against

47 But six hundred men turned and fled to the wilderness unto the rock Rimmon, and
abode in the rock Rimmon four months.
48 And the men of Israel turned again upon the children of Benjamin, and smote them
with the edge of the sword, as well the men of *every* city, as the beast, and all that came to
hand: also they set on fire all the cities that they came to.‡§

21

1 Now the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpeh, saying, There shall not any of us give his
daughter unto Benjamin to wife.
2 And the people came to the house of God, and abode there till even before God, and
lifted up their voices, and wept sore;
3 And said, O LORD God of Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that there should be
to day one tribe lacking in Israel?
4 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people rose early, and built there an altar,
and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings.
5 And the children of Israel said, Who *is there* among all the tribes of Israel that came not
up with the congregation unto the LORD? For they had made a great oath concerning him
that came not up to the LORD to Mizpeh, saying, He shall surely be put to death.
6 And the children of Israel repented them for Benjamin their brother, and said, There is
one tribe cut off from Israel this day.
7 How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing we have sworn by the LORD
that we will not give them of our daughters to wives?
8 ¶ And they said, What one *is there* of the tribes of Israel that came not up to Mizpeh to
the LORD? And, behold, there came none to the camp from Jabesh-gilead to the assembly.
9 For the people were numbered, and, behold, *there were* none of the inhabitants of
Jabesh-gilead there.
10 And the congregation sent thither twelve thousand men of the valiantest, and
commanded them, saying, Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead with the edge of
the sword, with the women and the children.
11 And this *is* the thing that ye shall do, Ye shall utterly destroy every male, and every
woman that hath lain by man.*
12 And they found among the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead four hundred young virgins,
that had known no man by lying with any male: and they brought them unto the camp to
Shiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan.†
13 And the whole congregation sent *some* to speak to the children of Benjamin that *were*
in the rock Rimmon, and to call peaceably unto them.‡§
14 And Benjamin came again at that time; and they gave them wives which they had
saved alive of the women of Jabesh-gilead: and yet so they sufficed them not.
15 And the people repented them for Benjamin, because that the LORD had made a
breach in the tribes of Israel.
16 ¶ Then the elders of the congregation said, How shall we do for wives for them that
remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of Benjamin?
17 And they said, *There must be* an inheritance for them that be escaped of Benjamin, that
a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel.
18 Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: for the children of Israel have
sworn, saying, Cursed *be* he that giveth a wife to Benjamin.
19 Then they said, Behold, *there is* a feast of the LORD in Shiloh yearly *in a place* which *is*
on the north side of Beth-el, on the east side of the highway that goeth up from Beth-el to
Shechem, and on the south of Lebonah.**††‡‡
20 Therefore they commanded the children of Benjamin, saying, Go and lie in wait in the
vineyards;
21 And see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come
ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and
go to the land of Benjamin.
22 And it shall be, when their fathers or their brethren come unto us to complain, that
we will say unto them, Be favourable unto them for our sakes: because we reserved not to

‡ **20:48** came to hand: Heb. was found § **20:48** they came...: Heb. were found * **21:11** hath lain...: Heb. knoweth the lying with man † **21:12** young...: Heb. young women virgins ‡ **21:13** to speak...: Heb. and spake and called § **21:13** call...: or, proclaim peace ** **21:19** yearly: Heb. from year to year †† **21:19** on the east...: or, toward the sunrising ‡‡ **21:19** of the highway: or, on the highway

each man his wife in the war: for ye did not give unto them at this time, *that* ye should be guilty.§§

23 And the children of Benjamin did so, and took *them* wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and repaired the cities, and dwelt in them.

24 And the children of Israel departed thence at that time, every man to his tribe and to his family, and they went out from thence every man to his inheritance.

25 In those days *there was* no king in Israel: every man did *that which was* right in his own eyes.

§§ **21:22** Be favourable...: or, Gratify us in them

The Book of Ruth

1 Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the
land. And a certain man of Beth-lehem-judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he,
and his wife, and his two sons.*
2 And the name of the man *was* Elimelech, and the name of his wife Naomi, and the name
of his two sons Mahlon and Chilion, Ephrathites of Beth-lehem-judah. And they came into
the country of Moab, and continued there.†
3 And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two sons.
4 And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one *was* Orpah, and
the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years.
5 And Mahlon and Chilion died also both of them; and the woman was left of her two sons
and her husband.
6 ¶ Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of
Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that the LORD had visited his people
in giving them bread.
7 Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters in law
with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah.
8 And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law, Go, return each to her mother's house:
the LORD deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.
9 The LORD grant you that ye may find rest, each *of you* in the house of her husband. Then
she kissed them; and they lifted up their voice, and wept.
10 And they said unto her, Surely we will return with thee unto thy people.
11 And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will ye go with me? *are* there yet *any
more* sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?
12 Turn again, my daughters, go *your way;* for I am too old to have an husband. If I should
say, I have hope, *if* I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons;‡
13 Would ye tarry for them till they were grown? would ye stay for them from having
husbands? nay, my daughters; for it grieveth me much for your sakes that the hand of the
LORD is gone out against me.§**
14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law;
but Ruth clave unto her.
15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto her gods:
return thou after thy sister in law.
16 And Ruth said, Intreat me not to leave thee, *or* to return from following after thee: for
whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people *shall be* my
people, and thy God my God:††
17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and more
also, *if ought* but death part thee and me.
18 When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking
unto her.‡‡
19 ¶ So they two went until they came to Beth-lehem. And it came to pass, when they were
come to Beth-lehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, *Is* this Naomi?
20 And she said unto them, Call me not Naomi, call me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt
very bitterly with me.§§***
21 I went out full, and the LORD hath brought me home again empty: why *then* call ye me
Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?
22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with her, which
returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Beth-lehem in the beginning of
barley harvest.

2

1 And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of
Elimelech; and his name *was* Boaz.*

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* **1:1** ruled: Heb. judged † **1:2** continued: Heb. were ‡ **1:12** should have...: or were with an husband § **1:13** tarry: Heb. hope ** **1:13** it grieveth...: Heb. I have much bitterness †† **1:16** Intreat...: or, Be not against me ‡‡ **1:18** was...: Heb. strengthened herself §§ **1:20** Naomi: that is, Pleasant *** **1:20** Mara: that is, Bitter * **2:1** Boaz: Gr. Booz

2 And Ruth the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of
corn after *him* in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.
3 And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to
light on a part of the field *belonging* unto Boaz, who *was* of the kindred of Elimelech.†
4 ¶ And, behold, Boaz came from Beth-lehem, and said unto the reapers, The LORD *be*
with you. And they answered him, The LORD bless thee.
5 Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose damsel *is* this?
6 And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It *is* the Moabitish
damsel that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab:
7 And she said, I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves:
so she came, and hath continued even from the morning until now, that she tarried a little
in the house.
8 Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another
field, neither go from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens:
9 *Let* thine eyes *be* on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not
charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto
the vessels, and drink of *that* which the young men have drawn.
10 Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why
have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I *am* a
stranger?
11 And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast
done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and *how* thou hast left thy
father and thy mother, and the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou
knewest not heretofore.
12 The LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of
Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.
13 Then she said, Let me find favour in thy sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted
me, and for that thou hast spoken friendly unto thine handmaid, though I be not like unto
one of thine handmaidens.‡§
14 And Boaz said unto her, At mealtime come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dip thy
morsel in the vinegar. And she sat beside the reapers: and he reached her parched *corn*,
and she did eat, and was sufficed, and left.
15 And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her
glean even among the sheaves, and reproach her not:**
16 And let fall also *some* of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leave *them*, that she may
glean *them*, and rebuke her not.
17 So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was
about an ephah of barley.
18 ¶ And she took *it* up, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she
had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that she had reserved after she was
sufficed.
19 And her mother in law said unto her, Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where
wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did take knowledge of thee. And she shewed her
mother in law with whom she had wrought, and said, The man's name with whom I
wrought to day *is* Boaz.
20 And Naomi said unto her daughter in law, Blessed *be* he of the LORD, who hath not left
off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man *is* near of
kin unto us, one of our next kinsmen.††
21 And Ruth the Moabitess said, He said unto me also, Thou shalt keep fast by my young
men, until they have ended all my harvest.
22 And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, *It is* good, my daughter, that thou go
out with his maidens, that they meet thee not in any other field.‡‡
23 So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest and of
wheat harvest; and dwelt with her mother in law.

3

1 Then Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee,
that it may be well with thee?

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† **2:3** hap...: Heb. hap happened ‡ **2:13** Let me...: or, I find § **2:13** friendly: Heb. to the heart ** **2:15** reproach...: Heb. shame her not †† **2:20** one of...: or, one that hath right to redeem ‡‡ **2:22** meet...: or, fall upon thee

2 And now *is* not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he
winnoweth barley to night in the threshingfloor.
3 Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and get thee
down to the floor: *but* make not thyself known unto the man, until he shall have done
eating and drinking.
4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie,
and thou shalt go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what
thou shalt do.*
5 And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.
6 ¶ And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law
bade her.
7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at
the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.
8 ¶ And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and turned himself: and,
behold, a woman lay at his feet.†
9 And he said, Who *art* thou? And she answered, I *am* Ruth thine handmaid: spread
therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou *art* a near kinsman.‡
10 And he said, Blessed *be* thou of the LORD, my daughter: *for* thou hast shewed more
kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young
men, whether poor or rich.
11 And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the city
of my people doth know that thou *art* a virtuous woman.§
12 And now it is true that I *am thy* near kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than
I.
13 Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, *that* if he will perform unto thee the
part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a
kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, *as* the LORD liveth: lie down
until the morning.
14 ¶ And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before one could know
another. And he said, Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor.
15 Also he said, Bring the vail that *thou hast* upon thee, and hold it. And when she held it,
he measured six *measures* of barley, and laid *it* on her: and she went into the city.**
16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who *art* thou, my daughter? And
she told her all that the man had done to her.
17 And she said, These six *measures* of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty
unto thy mother in law.
18 Then said she, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the
man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

4

1 Then went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, the kinsman of
whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here.
And he turned aside, and sat down.
2 And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye down here. And they sat
down.
3 And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab,
selleth a parcel of land, which *was* our brother Elimelech's:
4 And I thought to advertise thee, saying, Buy *it* before the inhabitants, and before the
elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem *it*, redeem *it:* but if thou wilt not redeem *it, then*
tell me, that I may know: for *there is* none to redeem *it* beside thee; and I *am* after thee.
And he said, I will redeem *it*.*
5 Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy *it*
also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his
inheritance.
6 ¶ And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem *it* for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance:
redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem *it*.

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* **3:4** uncover: or, lift up the clothes that are on † **3:8** turned: or, took hold on ‡ **3:9** a near...: or, one that hath right to redeem § **3:11** city: Heb. gate ** **3:15** vail: or, sheet, or, apron * **4:4** I thought...: Heb. I said, I will reveal in thine ear

7 Now this *was the manner* in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave *it* to his neighbour: and this *was* a testimony in Israel.
8 Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy *it* for thee. So he drew off his shoe.
9 ¶ And Boaz said unto the elders, and *unto* all the people, Ye *are* witnesses this day, that I have bought all that *was* Elimelech's, and all that *was* Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.
10 Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye *are* witnesses this day.
11 And all the people that *were* in the gate, and the elders, said, *We are* witnesses. The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and do thou worthily in Ephratah, and be famous in Bethlehem:[†‡]
12 And let thy house be like the house of Pharez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young woman.
13 ¶ So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bare a son.
14 And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed *be* the LORD, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.[§**]
15 And he shall be unto thee a restorer of *thy* life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath born him.[††‡‡]
16 And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it.
17 And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he *is* the father of Jesse, the father of David.
18 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,
19 And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab,
20 And Amminadab begat Nahshon, and Nahshon begat Salmon,[§§]
21 And Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed,
22 And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.

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† **4:11** do thou...: or, get thee riches, or, power ‡ **4:11** be famous: Heb. proclaim thy name § **4:14** left...: Heb. caused to cease unto thee ** **4:14** kinsman: or, redeemer †† **4:15** a nourisher of: Heb. to nourish ‡‡ **4:15** thine...: Heb. thy gray hairs §§ **4:20** Salmon: or, Salmah

The First Book of Samuel Otherwise Called the First Book of the Kings

1 Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim, of mount Ephraim, and his name
was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an
Ephrathite:
2 And he had two wives; the name of the one *was* Hannah, and the name of the other
Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.
3 And this man went up out of his city yearly to worship and to sacrifice unto the LORD
of hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of the LORD,
were there.*
4 ¶ And when the time was that Elkanah offered, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to all
her sons and her daughters, portions:
5 But unto Hannah he gave a worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: but the LORD had
shut up her womb.†
6 And her adversary also provoked her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had
shut up her womb.‡
7 And *as* he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of the LORD, so she
provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.§
8 Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest
thou not? and why is thy heart grieved? *am* not I better to thee than ten sons?
9 ¶ So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli
the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD.
10 And she *was* in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and wept sore.**
11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the
affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt
give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of
his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.††
12 And it came to pass, as she continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her
mouth.‡‡
13 Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard:
therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.
14 And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.
15 And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I *am* a woman of a sorrowful spirit:
I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the
LORD.§§
16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my
complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.***
17 Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant *thee* thy petition
that thou hast asked of him.
18 And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way,
and did eat, and her countenance was no more *sad*.
19 ¶ And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and
returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and
the LORD remembered her.
20 Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had
conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, *saying*, Because I have asked
him of the LORD.†††‡‡‡
21 And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the LORD the yearly
sacrifice, and his vow.
22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, *I will not go up* until the child
be weaned, and *then* I will bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide
for ever.

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* **1:3** yearly: Heb. from year to year † **1:5** worthy: or, double ‡ **1:6** provoked: Heb. angered § **1:7** when...: or, from the time that she, etc: Heb. from her going up ** **1:10** in...: Heb. bitter of soul †† **1:11** a man...: Heb. seed of men ‡‡ **1:12** continued...: Heb. multiplied to pray §§ **1:15** of a sorrowful...: Heb. hard of spirit *** **1:16** complaint: or, meditation ††† **1:20** when...: Heb. in revolution of days ‡‡‡ **1:20** Samuel: that is, Asked of God

23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good; tarry until thou
have weaned him; only the LORD establish his word. So the woman abode, and gave her
son suck until she weaned him.
24 ¶ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and
one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the LORD in
Shiloh: and the child *was* young.
25 And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.
26 And she said, Oh my lord, *as* thy soul liveth, my lord, I *am* the woman that stood by
thee here, praying unto the LORD.
27 For this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition which I asked of him:
28 Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the
LORD. And he worshipped the LORD there.§§§*

2

1 And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in
the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.
2 *There is* none holy as the LORD: for *there is* none beside thee: neither *is there* any rock
like our God.
3 Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let *not* arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the
LORD *is* a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.*
4 The bows of the mighty men *are* broken, and they that stumbled are girded with
strength.
5 *They that were* full have hired out themselves for bread; and *they that were* hungry
ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed
feeble.
6 The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.
7 The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up.
8 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to
set *them* among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the
earth *are* the LORD's, and he hath set the world upon them.
9 He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by
strength shall no man prevail.
10 The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder
upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his
king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.
11 And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did minister unto the LORD
before Eli the priest.
12 ¶ Now the sons of Eli *were* sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD.
13 And the priests' custom with the people *was, that*, when any man offered sacrifice, the
priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his
hand;
14 And he struck *it* into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought
up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither.
15 Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that
sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but
raw.
16 And *if* any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat presently, and *then* take
as much as thy soul desireth; then he would answer him, *Nay;* but thou shalt give *it me* now:
and if not, I will take *it* by force.†
17 Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the LORD: for men
abhorred the offering of the LORD.
18 ¶ But Samuel ministered before the LORD, *being* a child, girded with a linen ephod.
19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought *it* to him from year to year,
when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.
20 ¶ And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, The LORD give thee seed of this
woman for the loan which is lent to the LORD. And they went unto their own home.‡
21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two
daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the LORD.

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§§§ **1:28** lent him: or, returned him, whom I have obtained by petition * **1:28** he shall...: or, he whom I have obtained by petition shall be returned * **2:3** arrogancy: Heb. hard † **2:16** presently: Heb. as on the day ‡ **2:20** loan...: or, petition which she asked, etc

22 ¶[Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay
with the women that assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.§
23 And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? for I hear of your evil dealings by all
this people.**
24 Nay, my sons; for *it is* no good report that I hear: ye make the LORD's people to
transgress.††
25 If one man sin against another, the judge shall judge him: but if a man sin against the
LORD, who shall intreat for him? Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto the voice of
their father, because the LORD would slay them.
26 And the child Samuel grew on, and was in favour both with the LORD, and also with
men.
27 ¶ And there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Did I
plainly appear unto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house?
28 And did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel *to be* my priest, to offer upon mine
altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of thy
father all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel?
29 Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded *in
my* habitation; and honourest thy sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest
of all the offerings of Israel my people?
30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed *that* thy house, and the house of
thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for
them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.
31 Behold, the days come, that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm of thy father's house,
that there shall not be an old man in thine house.
32 And thou shalt see an enemy *in my* habitation, in all *the wealth* which *God* shall give
Israel: and there shall not be an old man in thine house for ever.‡‡
33 And the man of thine, *whom* I shall not cut off from mine altar, *shall be* to consume
thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die in the
flower of their age.§§
34 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two sons, on Hophni and
Phinehas; in one day they shall die both of them.
35 And I will raise me up a faithful priest, *that* shall do according to *that* which *is* in mine
heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine
anointed for ever.
36 And it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left in thine house shall come *and*
crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray thee,
into one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.***†††

3

1 And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD
was precious in those days; *there was* no open vision.
2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli *was* laid down in his place, and his eyes began
to wax dim, *that* he could not see;
3 And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God *was*,
and Samuel was laid down *to sleep;*
4 That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here *am* I.
5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not;
lie down again. And he went and lay down.
6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said,
Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.
7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed
unto him.*
8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and
said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the
child.

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§ **2:22** assembled: Heb. assembled by troops ** **2:23** of your...: or, evil words of you †† **2:24** transgress: or, cry out ‡‡ **2:32** an enemy...: or, the affliction of the tabernacle, for all the wealth which God would have given Israel §§ **2:33** in the flower...: Heb. men *** **2:36** Put: Heb. Join ††† **2:36** one of...: or, somewhat about the priesthood * **3:7** Now...: or, Thus did Samuel before he knew the LORD, and before the word of the LORD was revealed unto him

9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou
shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.
10 And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then
Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.
11 ¶ And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the
ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.
12 In that day I will perform against Eli all *things* which I have spoken concerning his
house: when I begin, I will also make an end.†
13 For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he
knoweth; because his sons made themselves vile, and he restrained them not.‡§**
14 And therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the iniquity of Eli's house shall
not be purged with sacrifice nor offering for ever.
15 ¶ And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the house of the LORD.
And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision.
16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he answered, Here *am* I.
17 And he said, What *is* the thing that *the* LORD hath said unto thee? I pray thee hide *it* not
from me: God do so to thee, and more also, if thou hide *any* thing from me of all the things
that he said unto thee.††‡‡
18 And Samuel told him every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, It *is* the LORD:
let him do what seemeth him good.§§
19 ¶ And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him, and did let none of his words fall to
the ground.
20 And all Israel from Dan even to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel *was* established *to be* a
prophet of the LORD.***
21 And the LORD appeared again in Shiloh: for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel in
Shiloh by the word of the LORD.

4

1 And the word of Samuel came to all Israel. Now Israel went out against the Philistines
to battle, and pitched beside Eben-ezer: and the Philistines pitched in Aphek.*
2 And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when they joined battle,
Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of the army in the field about four
thousand men.†‡
3 ¶ And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, Wherefore
hath the LORD smitten us to day before the Philistines? Let us fetch the ark of the covenant
of the LORD out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the
hand of our enemies.§
4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of
the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth *between* the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni
and Phinehas, *were* there with the ark of the covenant of God.
5 And when the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel shouted
with a great shout, so that the earth rang again.
6 And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, What *meaneth* the
noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews? And they understood that the ark of
the LORD was come into the camp.
7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the camp. And they said,
Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a thing heretofore.**
8 Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these *are* the
Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in the wilderness.
9 Be strong, and quit yourselves like men, O ye Philistines, that ye be not servants unto
the Hebrews, as they have been to you: quit yourselves like men, and fight.††
10 ¶ And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten, and they fled every man into his
tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

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† **3:12** when...: Heb. beginning and ending ‡ **3:13** For I...: or, And I will tell him § **3:13** vile: or, accursed ** **3:13** restrained...: Heb. frowned not upon them †† **3:17** more also: Heb. so add ‡‡ **3:17** thing: or, word §§ **3:18** every...: Heb. all the things, or, words *** **3:20** established: or, faithful * **4:1** came: or, came to pass: Heb. was † **4:2** they joined...: Heb. the battle was spread ‡ **4:2** army: Heb. array § **4:3** fetch: Heb. take unto us ** **4:7** heretofore: Heb. yesterday, or, the third day †† **4:9** quit...: Heb. be men

11 And the ark of God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were
slain.‡‡
12 ¶ And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to Shiloh the same day
with his clothes rent, and with earth upon his head.
13 And when he came, lo, Eli sat upon a seat by the wayside watching: for his heart
trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city, and told *it*, all the city
cried out.
14 And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, What *meaneth* the noise of this
tumult? And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.
15 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes were dim, that he could not see.§§
16 And the man said unto Eli, I *am* he that came out of the army, and I fled to day out of
the army. And he said, What is there done, my son?***
17 And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines, and there
hath been also a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sons also, Hophni and
Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of God is taken.
18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the
seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old
man, and heavy. And he had judged Israel forty years.
19 ¶ And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, *near* to be delivered: and
when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken, and that her father in law and her
husband were dead, she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains came upon her.†††‡‡‡
20 And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not;
for thou hast born a son. But she answered not, neither did she regard *it*.§§§
21 And she named the child I-chabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel: because
the ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband.*
22 And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for the ark of God is taken.

5

1 And the Philistines took the ark of God, and brought it from Eben-ezer unto Ashdod.
2 When the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the house of Dagon, and
set it by Dagon.
3 ¶ And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon *was* fallen upon
his face to the earth before the ark of the LORD. And they took Dagon, and set him in his
place again.
4 And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon *was* fallen upon his
face to the ground before the ark of the LORD; and the head of Dagon and both the palms
of his hands *were* cut off upon the threshold; only *the stump of* Dagon was left to him.*
5 Therefore neither the priests of Dagon, nor any that come into Dagon's house, tread on
the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod unto this day.
6 But the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and
smote them with emerods, *even* Ashdod and the coasts thereof.
7 And when the men of Ashdod saw that *it was* so, they said, The ark of the God of Israel
shall not abide with us: for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god.
8 They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines unto them, and said,
What shall we do with the ark of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the
God of Israel be carried about unto Gath. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel about
thither.
9 And it was *so*, that, after they had carried it about, the hand of the LORD was against the
city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great,
and they had emerods in their secret parts.
10 ¶ Therefore they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of God
came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, They have brought about the ark of the
God of Israel to us, to slay us and our people.†
11 So they sent and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and said, Send away
the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again to his own place, that it slay us not, and our

‡‡ **4:11** were slain: Heb. died §§ **4:15** were dim: Heb. stood *** **4:16** is...: Heb. is the thing ††† **4:19** be delivered: or, cry out ‡‡‡ **4:19** came: Heb. were turned §§§ **4:20** neither...: Heb. set not her heart * **4:21** I-chabod: that is, Where is the glory? or, There is no glory * **5:4** the stump...: or, the fishy part † **5:10** us, to...: Heb. me to slay me and my

people: for there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; the hand of God was very heavy there.‡
12 And the men that died not were smitten with the emerods: and the cry of the city went up to heaven.

6

1 And the ark of the LORD was in the country of the Philistines seven months.
2 And the Philistines called for the priests and the diviners, saying, What shall we do to the ark of the LORD? tell us wherewith we shall send it to his place.
3 And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it not empty; but in any wise return him a trespass offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you.
4 Then said they, What *shall be* the trespass offering which we shall return to him? They answered, Five golden emerods, and five golden mice, *according to* the number of the lords of the Philistines: for one plague *was* on you all, and on your lords.*
5 Wherefore ye shall make images of your emerods, and images of your mice that mar the land; and ye shall give glory unto the God of Israel: peradventure he will lighten his hand from off you, and from off your gods, and from off your land.
6 Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought wonderfully among them, did they not let the people go, and they departed?†‡
7 Now therefore make a new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there hath come no yoke, and tie the kine to the cart, and bring their calves home from them:
8 And take the ark of the LORD, and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return him *for* a trespass offering, in a coffer by the side thereof; and send it away, that it may go.
9 And see, if it goeth up by the way of his own coast to Beth-shemesh, *then* he hath done us this great evil: but if not, then we shall know that *it is* not his hand *that* smote us; it *was* a chance *that* happened to us.§
10 ¶ And the men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the cart, and shut up their calves at home:
11 And they laid the ark of the LORD upon the cart, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the images of their emerods.
12 And the kine took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, *and* went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside *to* the right hand or *to* the left; and the lords of the Philistines went after them unto the border of Beth-shemesh.
13 And *they of* Beth-shemesh *were* reaping their wheat harvest in the valley: and they lifted up their eyes, and saw the ark, and rejoiced to see *it*.
14 And the cart came into the field of Joshua, a Beth-shemite, and stood there, where *there was* a great stone: and they clave the wood of the cart, and offered the kine a burnt offering unto the LORD.
15 And the Levites took down the ark of the LORD, and the coffer that *was* with it, wherein the jewels of gold *were*, and put *them* on the great stone: and the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt offerings and sacrificed sacrifices the same day unto the LORD.
16 And when the five lords of the Philistines had seen *it*, they returned to Ekron the same day.
17 And these *are* the golden emerods which the Philistines returned *for* a trespass offering unto the LORD; for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Askelon one, for Gath one, for Ekron one;
18 And the golden mice, *according to* the number of all the cities of the Philistines *belonging* to the five lords, *both* of fenced cities, and of country villages, even unto the great *stone of* Abel, whereon they set down the ark of the LORD: *which stone remaineth* unto this day in the field of Joshua, the Beth-shemite.**
19 ¶ And he smote the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked into the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten *many* of the people with a great slaughter.
20 And the men of Beth-shemesh said, Who is able to stand before this holy LORD God? and to whom shall he go up from us?

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‡ **5:11** us not...: Heb. me not, and my * **6:4** you: Heb. them † **6:6** wonderfully: or, reproachfully ‡ **6:6** the people: Heb. them § **6:9** he: or, it ** **6:18** great...: or, great stone

21 ¶ And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of Kirjath-jearim, saying, The Philistines
have brought again the ark of the LORD; come ye down, *and* fetch it up to you.

7

1 And the men of Kirjath-jearim came, and fetched up the ark of the LORD, and brought
it into the house of Abinadab in the hill, and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of
the LORD.
2 And it came to pass, while the ark abode in Kirjath-jearim, that the time was long; for it
was twenty years: and all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD.
3 ¶ And Samuel spake unto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye do return unto the LORD
with all your hearts, *then* put away the strange gods and Ashtaroth from among you, and
prepare your hearts unto the LORD, and serve him only: and he will deliver you out of the
hand of the Philistines.
4 Then the children of Israel did put away Baalim and Ashtaroth, and served the LORD
only.
5 And Samuel said, Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for you unto the LORD.
6 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drew water, and poured *it* out before the
LORD, and fasted on that day, and said there, We have sinned against the LORD. And
Samuel judged the children of Israel in Mizpeh.
7 And when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to
Mizpeh, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the children of Israel
heard *it*, they were afraid of the Philistines.
8 And the children of Israel said to Samuel, Cease not to cry unto the LORD our God for
us, that he will save us out of the hand of the Philistines.*
9 ¶ And Samuel took a sucking lamb, and offered *it for* a burnt offering wholly unto the
LORD: and Samuel cried unto the LORD for Israel; and the LORD heard him.†
10 And as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to
battle against Israel: but the LORD thundered with a great thunder on that day upon the
Philistines, and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel.
11 And the men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the Philistines, and smote
them, until *they came* under Beth-car.
12 Then Samuel took a stone, and set *it* between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name
of it Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us.‡
13 ¶ So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more into the coast of Israel: and
the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel.
14 And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from
Ekron even unto Gath; and the coasts thereof did Israel deliver out of the hands of the
Philistines. And there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.
15 And Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life.
16 And he went from year to year in circuit to Beth-el, and Gilgal, and Mizpeh, and judged
Israel in all those places.§
17 And his return *was* to Ramah; for there *was* his house; and there he judged Israel; and
there he built an altar unto the LORD.

8

1 And it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he made his sons judges over Israel.
2 Now the name of his firstborn was Joel; and the name of his second, Abiah: *they were*
judges in Beer-sheba.
3 And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and
perverted judgment.
4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto
Ramah,
5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make
us a king to judge us like all the nations.
6 ¶ But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And
Samuel prayed unto the LORD.*
7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they
say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not
reign over them.

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* **7:8** Cease...: Heb. Be not silent from us from crying † **7:9** heard: or, answered ‡ **7:12** Eben-ezer: that is, The stone of help § **7:16** in circuit: Heb. and he circuited * **8:6** displeased: Heb. was evil in the eyes of

8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up
out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods,
so do they also unto thee.
9 Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and
shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them.†‡
10 ¶ And Samuel told all the words of the LORD unto the people that asked of him a king.
11 And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: He will take
your sons, and appoint *them* for himself, for his chariots, and *to be* his horsemen; and *some*
shall run before his chariots.
12 And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and *will*
set them to ear his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and
instruments of his chariots.
13 And he will take your daughters *to be* confectionaries, and *to be* cooks, and *to be* bakers.
14 And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, *even* the best *of*
them, and give *them* to his servants.
15 And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and give to his officers,
and to his servants.§
16 And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest young
men, and your asses, and put *them* to his work.
17 He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants.
18 And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye shall have chosen you;
and the LORD will not hear you in that day.
19 ¶ Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, Nay; but
we will have a king over us;
20 That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out
before us, and fight our battles.
21 And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of
the LORD.
22 And the LORD said to Samuel, Hearken unto their voice, and make them a king. And
Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go ye every man unto his city.

9

1 Now there was a man of Benjamin, whose name *was* Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of
Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, a Benjamite, a mighty man of power.*†
2 And he had a son, whose name *was* Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and *there*
was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and
upward *he was* higher than any of the people.
3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now
one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses.
4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalisha, but
they found *them* not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and *there they were* not:
and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found *them* not.
5 *And* when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that *was* with
him, Come, and let us return; lest my father leave *caring* for the asses, and take thought for
us.
6 And he said unto him, Behold now, *there is* in this city a man of God, and *he is*
an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither;
peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.
7 Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, *if* we go, what shall we bring the man? for
the bread is spent in our vessels, and *there is* not a present to bring to the man of God: what
have we?‡§
8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here at hand the fourth
part of a shekel of silver: *that* will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way.**
9 (Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to enquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let
us go to the seer: for *he that is* now *called* a Prophet was beforetime called a Seer.)

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† **8:9** hearken...: or, obey ‡ **8:9** howbeit...: or, notwithstanding when thou hast solemnly protested against them then thou shalt § **8:15** officers: Heb. eunuchs * **9:1** a Benjamite: or, the son of a man of Jemini † **9:1** power: or, substance ‡ **9:7** is spent...: Heb. is gone out of, etc § **9:7** have we: Heb. is with us? ** **9:8** I have...: Heb. there is found in my hand

10 Then said Saul to his servant, Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city
where the man of God *was*.††
11 ¶ *And* as they went up the hill to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw
water, and said unto them, Is the seer here?‡‡
12 And they answered them, and said, He is; behold, *he is* before you: make haste now,
for he came to day to the city; for *there is* a sacrifice of the people to day in the high place:§§
13 As soon as ye be come into the city, ye shall straightway find him, before he go up to
the high place to eat: for the people will not eat until he come, because he doth bless the
sacrifice; *and* afterwards they eat that be bidden. Now therefore get you up; for about this
time ye shall find him.***
14 And they went up into the city: *and* when they were come into the city, behold, Samuel
came out against them, for to go up to the high place.
15 ¶ Now the LORD had told Samuel in his ear a day before Saul came, saying,†††
16 To morrow about this time I will send thee a man out of the land of Benjamin, and thou
shalt anoint him *to be* captain over my people Israel, that he may save my people out of the
hand of the Philistines: for I have looked upon my people, because their cry is come unto
me.
17 And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said unto him, Behold the man whom I spake
to thee of! this same shall reign over my people.‡‡‡
18 Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, where the
seer's house *is*.
19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I *am* the seer: go up before me unto the high
place; for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee go, and will tell thee all
that *is* in thine heart.
20 And as for thine asses that were lost three days ago, set not thy mind on them; for they
are found. And on whom *is* all the desire of Israel? *Is it* not on thee, and on all thy father's
house?§§§
21 And Saul answered and said, *Am* not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of
Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then
speakest thou so to me?*
22 And Samuel took Saul and his servant, and brought them into the parlour, and made
them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden, which *were* about thirty
persons.
23 And Samuel said unto the cook, Bring the portion which I gave thee, of which I said
unto thee, Set it by thee.
24 And the cook took up the shoulder, and *that* which *was* upon it, and set *it* before Saul.
And *Samuel* said, Behold that which is left! set *it* before thee, *and* eat: for unto this time hath
it been kept for thee since I said, I have invited the people. So Saul did eat with Samuel that
day.†
25 ¶ And when they were come down from the high place into the city, *Samuel* communed
with Saul upon the top of the house.
26 And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called
Saul to the top of the house, saying, Up, that I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they
went out both of them, he and Samuel, abroad.
27 *And* as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the servant
pass on before us, (and he passed on,) but stand thou still a while, that I may shew thee the
word of God.‡

10

1 Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured *it* upon his head, and kissed him, and said,
Is it not because the LORD hath anointed thee *to be* captain over his inheritance?
2 When thou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt find two men by Rachel's
sepulchre in the border of Benjamin at Zelzah; and they will say unto thee, The asses
which thou wentest to seek are found: and, lo, thy father hath left the care of the asses,
and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I do for my son?*

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†† **9:10** Well said: Heb. Thy word is good ‡‡ **9:11** the hill...: Heb. in the ascent of the city §§ **9:12** sacrifice: or, feast *** **9:13** this time: Heb. to day ††† **9:15** told...: Heb. revealed the ear of Samuel ‡‡‡ **9:17** reign over: Heb. restrain in §§§ **9:20** three...: Heb. to day three days * **9:21** so...: Heb. according to this word † **9:24** left: or, reserved ‡ **9:27** a while: Heb. to day * **10:2** care: Heb. business

3 Then shalt thou go on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plain of Tabor,
and there shall meet thee three men going up to God to Beth-el, one carrying three kids,
and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine:
4 And they will salute thee, and give thee two *loaves* of bread; which thou shalt receive
of their hands.†
5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where *is* the garrison of the Philistines: and
it shall come to pass, when thou art come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company
of prophets coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and
a harp, before them; and they shall prophesy:
6 And the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them,
and shalt be turned into another man.
7 And let it be, when these signs are come unto thee, *that* thou do as occasion serve thee;
for God *is* with thee.‡§
8 And thou shalt go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold, I will come down unto thee,
to offer burnt offerings, *and* to sacrifice sacrifices of peace offerings: seven days shalt thou
tarry, till I come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt do.
9 ¶ And it was *so*, that when he had turned his back to go from Samuel, God gave him
another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day.**††
10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and
the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.
11 And it came to pass, when all that knew him beforetime saw that, behold, he
prophesied among the prophets, then the people said one to another, What *is* this *that* is
come unto the son of Kish? *Is* Saul also among the prophets?‡‡
12 And one of the same place answered and said, But who *is* their father? Therefore it
became a proverb, *Is* Saul also among the prophets?§§
13 And when he had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place.
14 ¶ And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant, Whither went ye? And he said, To
seek the asses: and when we saw that *they were* no where, we came to Samuel.
15 And Saul's uncle said, Tell me, I pray thee, what Samuel said unto you.
16 And Saul said unto his uncle, He told us plainly that the asses were found. But of the
matter of the kingdom, whereof Samuel spake, he told him not.
17 ¶ And Samuel called the people together unto the LORD to Mizpeh;
18 And said unto the children of Israel, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought up
Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand
of all kingdoms, *and* of them that oppressed you:
19 And ye have this day rejected your God, who himself saved you out of all your
adversities and your tribulations; and ye have said unto him, *Nay*, but set a king over us.
Now therefore present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes, and by your thousands.
20 And when Samuel had caused all the tribes of Israel to come near, the tribe of Benjamin
was taken.
21 When he had caused the tribe of Benjamin to come near by their families, the family of
Matri was taken, and Saul the son of Kish was taken: and when they sought him, he could
not be found.
22 Therefore they enquired of the LORD further, if the man should yet come thither. And
the LORD answered, Behold, he hath hid himself among the stuff.
23 And they ran and fetched him thence: and when he stood among the people, he was
higher than any of the people from his shoulders and upward.
24 And Samuel said to all the people, See ye him whom the LORD hath chosen, that *there
is* none like him among all the people? And all the people shouted, and said, God save the
king.***
25 Then Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdom, and wrote *it* in a book, and
laid *it* up before the LORD. And Samuel sent all the people away, every man to his house.
26 ¶ And Saul also went home to Gibeah; and there went with him a band of men, whose
hearts God had touched.
27 But the children of Belial said, How shall this man save us? And they despised him,
and brought him no presents. But he held his peace.†††

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† **10:4** salute...: Heb. ask thee of peace ‡ **10:7** And...: Heb. And it shall come to pass, that when these signs, etc § **10:7** that...: Heb. do for thee as thine hand shall find ** **10:9** back: Heb. shoulder †† **10:9** gave: Heb. turned ‡‡ **10:11** one...: Heb. a man to his neighbour §§ **10:12** of...: Heb. from thence *** **10:24** God...: Heb. Let the king live ††† **10:27** held...: or, was as though he had been deaf

11

1 Then Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against Jabesh-gilead: and all the
men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, Make a covenant with us, and we will serve thee.
2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this *condition* will I make *a covenant*
with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it *for* a reproach upon all Israel.
3 And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, Give us seven days' respite, that we may send
messengers unto all the coasts of Israel: and then, if *there be* no man to save us, we will
come out to thee.*
4 ¶ Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the ears of the
people: and all the people lifted up their voices, and wept.
5 And, behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul said, What *aileth* the
people that they weep? And they told him the tidings of the men of Jabesh.
6 And the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was
kindled greatly.
7 And he took a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent *them* throughout all
the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, Whosoever cometh not forth after
Saul and after Samuel, so shall it be done unto his oxen. And the fear of the LORD fell on
the people, and they came out with one consent.†
8 And when he numbered them in Bezek, the children of Israel were three hundred
thousand, and the men of Judah thirty thousand.
9 And they said unto the messengers that came, Thus shall ye say unto the men of Jabesh-
gilead, To morrow, by *that time* the sun be hot, ye shall have help. And the messengers
came and shewed *it* to the men of Jabesh; and they were glad.‡
10 Therefore the men of Jabesh said, To morrow we will come out unto you, and ye shall
do with us all that seemeth good unto you.
11 And it was *so* on the morrow, that Saul put the people in three companies; and they
came into the midst of the host in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites until the
heat of the day: and it came to pass, that they which remained were scattered, so that two
of them were not left together.
12 ¶ And the people said unto Samuel, Who *is* he that said, Shall Saul reign over us? bring
the men, that we may put them to death.
13 And Saul said, There shall not a man be put to death this day: for to day the LORD hath
wrought salvation in Israel.
14 Then said Samuel to the people, Come, and let us go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdom
there.
15 And all the people went to Gilgal; and there they made Saul king before the LORD in
Gilgal; and there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before the LORD; and there
Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly.

12

1 And Samuel said unto all Israel, Behold, I have hearkened unto your voice in all that ye
said unto me, and have made a king over you.
2 And now, behold, the king walketh before you: and I am old and grayheaded; and,
behold, my sons *are* with you: and I have walked before you from my childhood unto this
day.
3 Behold, here I *am:* witness against me before the LORD, and before his anointed: whose
ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I
oppressed? or of whose hand have I received *any* bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and
I will restore it you.*†
4 And they said, Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken
ought of any man's hand.
5 And he said unto them, The LORD *is* witness against you, and his anointed *is* witness
this day, that ye have not found ought in my hand. And they answered, *He is* witness.
6 ¶ And Samuel said unto the people, *It is* the LORD that advanced Moses and Aaron, and
that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt.‡
7 Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before the LORD of all the
righteous acts of the LORD, which he did to you and to your fathers.§**

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* **11:3** Give...: Heb. Forbear us † **11:7** with...: Heb. as one man ‡ **11:9** help: or, deliverance * **12:3** bribe: Heb. ransom † **12:3** to blind...: or, that I should hide mine eyes at him ‡ **12:6** advanced: or, made § **12:7** righteous...: Heb. righteousnesses, or, benefits ** **12:7** to: Heb. with

8 When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto the LORD, then the LORD
sent Moses and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them
dwell in this place.
9 And when they forgat the LORD their God, he sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain
of the host of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of
Moab, and they fought against them.
10 And they cried unto the LORD, and said, We have sinned, because we have forsaken
the LORD, and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of
our enemies, and we will serve thee.
11 And the LORD sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered
you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and ye dwelled safe.
12 And when ye saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, ye
said unto me, Nay; but a king shall reign over us: when the LORD your God *was* your king.
13 Now therefore behold the king whom ye have chosen, *and* whom ye have desired! and,
behold, the LORD hath set a king over you.
14 If ye will fear the LORD, and serve him, and obey his voice, and not rebel against the
commandment of the LORD, then shall both ye and also the king that reigneth over you
continue following the LORD your God:[††‡‡]
15 But if ye will not obey the voice of the LORD, but rebel against the commandment of
the LORD, then shall the hand of the LORD be against you, as *it was* against your fathers.
16 ¶ Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which the LORD will do before your
eyes.
17 *Is it* not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto the LORD, and he shall send thunder and
rain; that ye may perceive and see that your wickedness *is* great, which ye have done in
the sight of the LORD, in asking you a king.
18 So Samuel called unto the LORD; and the LORD sent thunder and rain that day: and all
the people greatly feared the LORD and Samuel.
19 And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto the LORD thy God, that
we die not: for we have added unto all our sins *this* evil, to ask us a king.
20 ¶ And Samuel said unto the people, Fear not: ye have done all this wickedness: yet
turn not aside from following the LORD, but serve the LORD with all your heart;
21 And turn ye not aside: for *then should ye go* after vain *things*, which cannot profit nor
deliver; for they *are* vain.
22 For the LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath
pleased the LORD to make you his people.
23 Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray
for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:[§§]
24 Only fear the LORD, and serve him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great
things he hath done for you.[***]
25 But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both ye and your king.

13

1 Saul reigned one year; and when he had reigned two years over Israel,[*]
2 Saul chose him three thousand *men* of Israel; *whereof* two thousand were with Saul
in Michmash and in mount Beth-el, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of
Benjamin: and the rest of the people he sent every man to his tent.
3 And Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that *was* in Geba, and the Philistines
heard *of it*. And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, Let the Hebrews
hear.[†]
4 And all Israel heard say *that* Saul had smitten a garrison of the Philistines, and *that*
Israel also was had in abomination with the Philistines. And the people were called
together after Saul to Gilgal.[‡]
5 ¶ And the Philistines gathered themselves together to fight with Israel, thirty thousand
chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which *is* on the sea shore in
multitude: and they came up, and pitched in Michmash, eastward from Beth-aven.
6 When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait, (for the people were distressed,)
then the people did hide themselves in caves, and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high
places, and in pits.

[††] **12:14** commandment: Heb. mouth [‡‡] **12:14** continue...: Heb. be after [§§] **12:23** in: Heb. from [***] **12:24** how...: or, what a great thing [*] **13:1** reigned one...: Heb. the son of one year in his reigning [†] **13:3** Geba: or, the hill [‡] **13:4** was...: Heb. did stink

7 And *some of* the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. As for Saul,
he *was* yet in Gilgal, and all the people followed him trembling.§
8 ¶ And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel *had appointed:* but
Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.
9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered
the burnt offering.
10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering,
behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him.**
11 ¶ And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people
were scattered from me, and *that* thou camest not within the days appointed, and *that* the
Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;
12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not
made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering.††
13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the command-
ment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have
established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.
14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his
own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him *to be* captain over his people, because thou
hast not kept *that* which the LORD commanded thee.
15 And Samuel arose, and gat him up from Gilgal unto Gibeah of Benjamin. And Saul
numbered the people *that were* present with him, about six hundred men.‡‡
16 And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the people *that were* present with them, abode in
Gibeah of Benjamin: but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.§§***
17 ¶ And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies: one
company turned unto the way *that leadeth to* Ophrah, unto the land of Shual:
18 And another company turned the way *to* Beth-horon: and another company turned *to*
the way of the border that looketh to the valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness.
19 ¶ Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines
said, Lest the Hebrews make *them* swords or spears:
20 But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and
his coulter, and his axe, and his mattock.
21 Yet they had a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks, and for the
axes, and to sharpen the goads.†††‡‡‡
22 So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found
in the hand of any of the people that *were* with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with
Jonathan his son was there found.
23 And the garrison of the Philistines went out to the passage of Michmash.§§§

14

1 Now it came to pass upon a day, that Jonathan the son of Saul said unto the young man
that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over to the Philistines' garrison, that *is* on the
other side. But he told not his father.*
2 And Saul tarried in the uttermost part of Gibeah under a pomegranate tree which *is* in
Migron: and the people that *were* with him *were* about six hundred men;
3 And Ahiah, the son of Ahitub, I-chabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the
LORD's priest in Shiloh, wearing an ephod. And the people knew not that Jonathan was
gone.†
4 ¶ And between the passages, by which Jonathan sought to go over unto the Philistines'
garrison, *there was* a sharp rock on the one side, and a sharp rock on the other side: and
the name of the one *was* Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.
5 The forefront of the one *was* situate northward over against Michmash, and the other
southward over against Gibeah.‡
6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto
the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the LORD will work for us: for *there is*
no restraint to the LORD to save by many or by few.

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§ **13:7** followed...: Heb. trembled after him ** **13:10** salute: Heb. bless †† **13:12** made...: Heb. intreated the face ‡‡ **13:15** present: Heb. found §§ **13:16** present: Heb. found *** **13:16** Gibeah: Heb. Geba ††† **13:21** a file: Heb. a file with mouths, or Heb. a pim, a third of a shekel ‡‡‡ **13:21** sharpen: Heb. set §§§ **13:23** garrison: or, standing camp * **14:1** it came...: or, there was a day † **14:3** Ahiah: called Ahimelech ‡ **14:5** forefront: Heb. tooth

7 And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that *is* in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I
am with thee according to thy heart.
8 Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will pass over unto *these* men, and we will discover
ourselves unto them.
9 If they say thus unto us, Tarry until we come to you; then we will stand still in our place,
and will not go up unto them.§
10 But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up: for the LORD hath delivered
them into our hand: and this *shall be* a sign unto us.
11 And both of them discovered themselves unto the garrison of the Philistines: and
the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrews come forth out of the holes where they had hid
themselves.
12 And the men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his armourbearer, and said, Come
up to us, and we will shew you a thing. And Jonathan said unto his armourbearer, Come
up after me: for the LORD hath delivered them into the hand of Israel.
13 And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armourbearer
after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his armourbearer slew after him.
14 And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armourbearer made, was about
twenty men, within as it were an half acre of land, *which* a yoke *of oxen might plow*.**
15 And there was trembling in the host, in the field, and among all the people: the
garrison, and the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth quaked: so it was a very great
trembling.††
16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and, behold, the multitude
melted away, and they went on beating down *one another*.
17 Then said Saul unto the people that *were* with him, Number now, and see who is gone
from us. And when they had numbered, behold, Jonathan and his armourbearer *were* not
there.
18 And Saul said unto Ahiah, Bring hither the ark of God. For the ark of God was at that
time with the children of Israel.
19 ¶ And it came to pass, while Saul talked unto the priest, that the noise that *was* in the
host of the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul said unto the priest, Withdraw thine
hand.‡‡
20 And Saul and all the people that *were* with him assembled themselves, and they came
to the battle: and, behold, every man's sword was against his fellow, *and there was* a very
great discomfiture.§§
21 Moreover the Hebrews *that* were with the Philistines before that time, which went up
with them into the camp *from the country* round about, even they also *turned* to be with
the Israelites that *were* with Saul and Jonathan.
22 Likewise all the men of Israel which had hid themselves in mount Ephraim, *when* they
heard that the Philistines fled, even they also followed hard after them in the battle.
23 So the LORD saved Israel that day: and the battle passed over unto Beth-aven.
24 ¶ And the men of Israel were distressed that day: for Saul had adjured the people,
saying, Cursed *be* the man that eateth *any* food until evening, that I may be avenged on
mine enemies. So none of the people tasted *any* food.
25 And all *they of* the land came to a wood; and there was honey upon the ground.
26 And when the people were come into the wood, behold, the honey dropped; but no
man put his hand to his mouth: for the people feared the oath.
27 But Jonathan heard not when his father charged the people with the oath: wherefore
he put forth the end of the rod that *was* in his hand, and dipped it in an honeycomb, and
put his hand to his mouth; and his eyes were enlightened.
28 Then answered one of the people, and said, Thy father straitly charged the people with
an oath, saying, Cursed *be* the man that eateth *any* food this day. And the people were
faint.***
29 Then said Jonathan, My father hath troubled the land: see, I pray you, how mine eyes
have been enlightened, because I tasted a little of this honey.
30 How much more, if haply the people had eaten freely to day of the spoil of their
enemies which they found? for had there not been now a much greater slaughter among
the Philistines?

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§ **14:9** Tarry: Heb. Be still ** **14:14** an...: or, half a furrow of an acre of land †† **14:15** a very...: Heb. a trembling of God ‡‡ **14:19** noise: or, tumult §§ **14:20** assembled...: Heb. were cried together *** **14:28** faint: or, weary

31 And they smote the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon: and the people
were very faint.
32 And the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew
them on the ground: and the people did eat *them* with the blood.
33 ¶ Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against the LORD, in that they eat
with the blood. And he said, Ye have transgressed: roll a great stone unto me this day.[†††]
34 And Saul said, Disperse yourselves among the people, and say unto them, Bring me
hither every man his ox, and every man his sheep, and slay *them* here, and eat; and sin not
against the LORD in eating with the blood. And all the people brought every man his ox
with him that night, and slew *them* there.[‡‡‡]
35 And Saul built an altar unto the LORD: the same was the first altar that he built unto
the LORD.[§§§]
36 ¶ And Saul said, Let us go down after the Philistines by night, and spoil them until the
morning light, and let us not leave a man of them. And they said, Do whatsoever seemeth
good unto thee. Then said the priest, Let us draw near hither unto God.
37 And Saul asked counsel of God, Shall I go down after the Philistines? wilt thou deliver
them into the hand of Israel? But he answered him not that day.
38 And Saul said, Draw ye near hither, all the chief of the people: and know and see
wherein this sin hath been this day.[*]
39 For, *as* the LORD liveth, which saveth Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall
surely die. But *there was* not a man among all the people *that* answered him.
40 Then said he unto all Israel, Be ye on one side, and I and Jonathan my son will be on
the other side. And the people said unto Saul, Do what seemeth good unto thee.
41 Therefore Saul said unto the LORD God of Israel, Give a perfect *lot*. And Saul and
Jonathan were taken: but the people escaped.[†‡]
42 And Saul said, Cast *lots* between me and Jonathan my son. And Jonathan was taken.
43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, Tell me what thou hast done. And Jonathan told him, and
said, I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that *was* in mine hand, *and*, lo, I
must die.
44 And Saul answered, God do so and more also: for thou shalt surely die, Jonathan.
45 And the people said unto Saul, Shall Jonathan die, who hath wrought this great
salvation in Israel? God forbid: *as* the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of his head
fall to the ground; for he hath wrought with God this day. So the people rescued Jonathan,
that he died not.
46 Then Saul went up from following the Philistines: and the Philistines went to their own
place.
47 ¶ So Saul took the kingdom over Israel, and fought against all his enemies on every
side, against Moab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the
kings of Zobah, and against the Philistines: and whithersoever he turned himself, he vexed
them.
48 And he gathered an host, and smote the Amalekites, and delivered Israel out of the
hands of them that spoiled them.[§]
49 Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and Ishui, and Melchi-shua: and the names of his
two daughters *were these;* the name of the firstborn Merab, and the name of the younger
Michal:
50 And the name of Saul's wife *was* Ahinoam, the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name of
the captain of his host *was* Abner, the son of Ner, Saul's uncle.[**]
51 And Kish *was* the father of Saul; and Ner the father of Abner *was* the son of Abiel.
52 And there was sore war against the Philistines all the days of Saul: and when Saul saw
any strong man, or any valiant man, he took him unto him.

15

1 Samuel also said unto Saul, The LORD sent me to anoint thee *to be* king over his people,
over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD.
2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember *that* which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid
wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt.

[†††] **14:33** transgressed: or, dealt treacherously [‡‡‡] **14:34** with him: Heb. in his hand [§§§] **14:35** the same...: Heb. that altar he began to build unto the LORD [*] **14:38** chief: Heb. corners [†] **14:41** Give...: or, Shew the innocent [‡] **14:41** escaped: Heb. went forth [§] **14:48** gathered...: or, wrought mightily [**] **14:50** Abner: Heb. Abiner

3 Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not;
but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass.
4 And Saul gathered the people together, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred
thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Judah.
5 And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and laid wait in the valley.*
6 ¶ And Saul said unto the Kenites, Go, depart, get you down from among the Amalekites,
lest I destroy you with them: for ye shewed kindness to all the children of Israel, when they
came up out of Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.
7 And Saul smote the Amalekites from Havilah *until* thou comest to Shur, that *is* over
against Egypt.
8 And he took Agag the king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly destroyed all the people
with the edge of the sword.
9 But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and of
the fatlings, and the lambs, and all *that was* good, and would not utterly destroy them: but
every thing *that was* vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.†
10 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Samuel, saying,
11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul *to be* king: for he is turned back from following
me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto
the LORD all night.
12 And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying,
Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on,
and gone down to Gilgal.
13 And Samuel came to Saul: and Saul said unto him, Blessed *be* thou of the LORD: I have
performed the commandment of the LORD.
14 And Samuel said, What *meaneth* then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the
lowing of the oxen which I hear?
15 And Saul said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared
the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God; and the rest we
have utterly destroyed.
16 Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell thee what the LORD hath said to me
this night. And he said unto him, Say on.
17 And Samuel said, When thou *wast* little in thine own sight, *wast* thou not *made* the
head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed thee king over Israel?
18 And the LORD sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the
Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed.‡
19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the LORD, but didst fly upon the spoil,
and didst evil in the sight of the LORD?
20 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and have gone
the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have
utterly destroyed the Amalekites.
21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should
have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal.
22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as
in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey *is* better than sacrifice, *and* to hearken
than the fat of rams.
23 For rebellion *is as* the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness *is as* iniquity and idolatry.
Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from *being*
king.§
24 ¶ And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment
of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.
25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship
the LORD.
26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word
of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.
27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle, and
it rent.
28 And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this
day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, *that is* better than thou.

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* **15:5** laid...: or, fought † **15:9** fatlings: or, second sort ‡ **15:18** they...: Heb. they consume them § **15:23** witchcraft: Heb. divination

29 And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he *is* not a man, that he should
repent.**
30 Then he said, I have sinned: *yet* honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my
people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD thy God.
31 So Samuel turned again after Saul; and Saul worshipped the LORD.
32 ¶ Then said Samuel, Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the Amalekites. And Agag
came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past.
33 And Samuel said, As thy sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be
childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.
34 ¶ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to Gibeah of Saul.
35 And Samuel came no more to see Saul until the day of his death: nevertheless Samuel
mourned for Saul: and the LORD repented that he had made Saul king over Israel.

16

1 And the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have
rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee
to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons.
2 And Samuel said, How can I go? if Saul hear *it*, he will kill me. And the LORD said, Take
an heifer with thee, and say, I am come to sacrifice to the LORD.*
3 And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will shew thee what thou shalt do: and thou shalt
anoint unto me *him* whom I name unto thee.
4 And Samuel did that which the LORD spake, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of
the town trembled at his coming, and said, Comest thou peaceably?†
5 And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice unto the LORD: sanctify yourselves, and
come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the
sacrifice.
6 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said, Surely
the LORD's anointed *is* before him.‡
7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his
stature; because I have refused him: for *the LORD seeth* not as man seeth; for man looketh
on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.§
8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, Neither
hath the LORD chosen this.
9 Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen
this.**
10 Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse,
The LORD hath not chosen these.
11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all *thy* children? And he said, There remaineth
yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and
fetch him: for we will not sit down till he come hither.††
12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he *was* ruddy, *and* withal of a beautiful
countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this *is* he.‡‡
13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and
the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and
went to Ramah.
14 ¶ But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD
troubled him.§§
15 And Saul's servants said unto him, Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee.
16 Let our lord now command thy servants, *which are* before thee, to seek out a man, *who
is* a cunning player on an harp: and it shall come to pass, when the evil spirit from God is
upon thee, that he shall play with his hand, and thou shalt be well.
17 And Saul said unto his servants, Provide me now a man that can play well, and bring
him to me.
18 Then answered one of the servants, and said, Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the
Beth-lehemite, *that is* cunning in playing, and a mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and
prudent in matters, and a comely person, and the LORD *is* with him.***

** **15:29** Strength: or, Eternity, or, Victory * **16:2** with thee: Heb. in thine hand † **16:4** coming: Heb. meeting ‡ **16:6** Eliab: called Elihu § **16:7** outward...: Heb. eyes ** **16:9** Shammah: Shimeah, also called, Shimma †† **16:11** down: Heb. round ‡‡ **16:12** of a...: Heb. fair of eyes §§ **16:14** troubled: or, terrified *** **16:18** matters: or, speech

19 ¶ Wherefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, Send me David thy son, which
is with the sheep.
20 And Jesse took an ass *laden* with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a kid, and sent *them*
by David his son unto Saul.
21 And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and he loved him greatly; and he
became his armourbearer.
22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, Let David, I pray thee, stand before me; for he hath found
favour in my sight.
23 And it came to pass, when the *evil* spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an
harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit
departed from him.

17

1 Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered
together at Shochoh, which *belongeth* to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah,
in Ephes-dammim.*
2 And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and pitched by the valley of
Elah, and set the battle in array against the Philistines.†
3 And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain
on the other side: and *there was* a valley between them.
4 ¶ And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of
Gath, whose height *was* six cubits and a span.
5 And *he had* an helmet of brass upon his head, and he *was* armed with a coat of mail;
and the weight of the coat *was* five thousand shekels of brass.‡
6 And *he had* greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass between his shoulders.§
7 And the staff of his spear *was* like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head *weighed* six
hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him.
8 And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are ye come
out to set *your* battle in array? *am* not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? choose you a
man for you, and let him come down to me.
9 If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I
prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and serve us.
10 And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may
fight together.
11 When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and
greatly afraid.
12 ¶ Now David *was* the son of that Ephrathite of Beth-lehem-judah, whose name *was*
Jesse; and he had eight sons: and the man went among men *for* an old man in the days of
Saul.
13 And the three eldest sons of Jesse went *and* followed Saul to the battle: and the
names of his three sons that went to the battle *were* Eliab the firstborn, and next unto him
Abinadab, and the third Shammah.
14 And David *was* the youngest: and the three eldest followed Saul.
15 But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Beth-lehem.
16 And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.
17 And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched
corn, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren;
18 And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of *their* thousand, and look how thy
brethren fare, and take their pledge.**††
19 Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, *were* in the valley of Elah, fighting with
the Philistines.
20 ¶ And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took,
and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the trench, as the host was going
forth to the fight, and shouted for the battle.‡‡§§
21 For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army.

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* **17:1** Ephes-dammim: or, the coast of Dammim, called Pas-dammim † **17:2** set...: Heb. ranged the battle ‡ **17:5** armed: Heb. clothed § **17:6** target: or, gorget ** **17:18** cheeses: Heb. cheeses of milk †† **17:18** of...: Heb. of a thousand ‡‡ **17:20** trench: or, place of the carriage §§ **17:20** fight: or, battle array, or, place of fight

22 And David left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the
army, and came and saluted his brethren.***†††
23 And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of
Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same
words: and David heard *them*.
24 And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled from him, and were sore
afraid.‡‡‡
25 And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel
is he come up: and it shall be, *that* the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with
great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel.
26 And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the
man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who *is* this
uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?
27 And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man
that killeth him.
28 ¶ And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger
was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom
hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of
thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle.
29 And David said, What have I now done? *Is there* not a cause?
30 ¶ And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same manner: and the
people answered him again after the former manner.§§§
31 And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed *them* before Saul:
and he sent for him.*
32 ¶ And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go
and fight with this Philistine.
33 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him:
for thou *art but* a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.
34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion,
and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:†
35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered *it* out of his mouth: and when
he arose against me, I caught *him* by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.
36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall
be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God.
37 David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out
of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said
unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee.
38 ¶ And Saul armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head;
also he armed him with a coat of mail.‡
39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not
proved *it*. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved *them*.
And David put them off him.
40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook,
and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling *was* in his
hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.§**
41 And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield
went before him.
42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was
but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.
43 And the Philistine said unto David, *Am* I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves?
And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.
44 And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of
the air, and to the beasts of the field.
45 Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear,
and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies
of Israel, whom thou hast defied.

*** **17:22** his carriage: Heb. the vessels from upon him ††† **17:22** saluted...: Heb. asked his brethren of peace ‡‡‡ **17:24** from...: Heb. from his face §§§ **17:30** manner: Heb. word * **17:31** sent...: Heb. took him † **17:34** lamb: or, kid ‡ **17:38** armed David...: Heb. clothed David with his clothes § **17:40** brook: or, valley ** **17:40** bag: Heb. vessel

46 This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take
thine head from thee; and I will give the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto
the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that
there is a God in Israel.††
47 And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for
the battle *is* the LORD's, and he will give you into our hands.
48 And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David,
that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.
49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang *it*, and smote the
Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face
to the earth.
50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the
Philistine, and slew him; but *there was* no sword in the hand of David.
51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it
out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the
Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.
52 And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines,
until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines
fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.
53 And the children of Israel returned from chasing after the Philistines, and they spoiled
their tents.
54 And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his
armour in his tent.
55 ¶ And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the
captain of the host, Abner, whose son *is* this youth? And Abner said, *As* thy soul liveth, O
king, I cannot tell.
56 And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling *is*.
57 And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and
brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand.
58 And Saul said to him, Whose son *art* thou, *thou* young man? And David answered, I
am the son of thy servant Jesse the Beth-lehemite.

18

1 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the soul of
Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.
2 And Saul took him that day, and would let him go no more home to his father's house.
3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.
4 And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that *was* upon him, and gave it to David, and
his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.
5 ¶ And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, *and* behaved himself wisely: and
Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and
also in the sight of Saul's servants.*
6 And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the
Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king
Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of musick.†‡
7 And the women answered *one another* as they played, and said, Saul hath slain his
thousands, and David his ten thousands.
8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying displeased him; and he said, They have
ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed *but* thousands: and *what*
can he have more but the kingdom?§
9 And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.
10 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, and
he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times:
and *there was* a javelin in Saul's hand.
11 And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall *with it*. And
David avoided out of his presence twice.
12 ¶ And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and was departed
from Saul.

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†† **17:46** deliver...: Heb. shut thee up * **18:5** behaved...: or, prospered † **18:6** Philistine: or, Philistines ‡ **18:6** instruments...: Heb. three stringed instruments § **18:8** displeased him: Heb. was evil in his eyes

13 Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain over a thousand;
and he went out and came in before the people.
14 And David behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the LORD *was* with him.**
15 Wherefore when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he was afraid of him.
16 But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and came in before them.
17 ¶ And Saul said to David, Behold my elder daughter Merab, her will I give thee to wife:
only be thou valiant for me, and fight the LORD's battles. For Saul said, Let not mine hand
be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him.††
18 And David said unto Saul, Who *am* I? and what *is* my life, *or* my father's family in Israel,
that I should be son in law to the king?
19 But it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's daughter should have been given to
David, that she was given unto Adriel the Meholathite to wife.
20 And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased
him.‡‡
21 And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of
the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be
my son in law in *the one of* the twain.
22 ¶ And Saul commanded his servants, *saying*, Commune with David secretly, and say,
Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and all his servants love thee: now therefore be the
king's son in law.
23 And Saul's servants spake those words in the ears of David. And David said, Seemeth
it to you *a* light *thing* to be a king's son in law, seeing that I *am* a poor man, and lightly
esteemed?
24 And the servants of Saul told him, saying, On this manner spake David.§§
25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any dowry, but an
hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought
to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.
26 And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's
son in law: and the days were not expired.***
27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two
hundred men; and David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full tale to the
king, that he might be the king's son in law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to
wife.
28 ¶ And Saul saw and knew that the LORD *was* with David, and *that* Michal Saul's
daughter loved him.
29 And Saul was yet the more afraid of David; and Saul became David's enemy continu-
ally.
30 Then the princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to pass, after they went
forth, *that* David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so that his
name was much set by.†††

19

1 And Saul spake to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that they should kill David.
2 But Jonathan Saul's son delighted much in David: and Jonathan told David, saying, Saul
my father seeketh to kill thee: now therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the
morning, and abide in a secret *place*, and hide thyself:
3 And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou *art*, and I will
commune with my father of thee; and what I see, that I will tell thee.
4 ¶ And Jonathan spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him, Let not the
king sin against his servant, against David; because he hath not sinned against thee, and
because his works *have been* to thee-ward very good:
5 For he did put his life in his hand, and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a
great salvation for all Israel: thou sawest *it*, and didst rejoice: wherefore then wilt thou sin
against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause?
6 And Saul hearkened unto the voice of Jonathan: and Saul sware, *As* the LORD liveth, he
shall not be slain.
7 And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan shewed him all those things. And Jonathan
brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, as in times past.*

** **18:14** behaved...: or, prospered †† **18:17** valiant: Heb. a son of valour ‡‡ **18:20** pleased him: Heb. was right in his eyes §§ **18:24** On...: Heb. According to these words *** **18:26** expired: Heb. fulfilled ††† **18:30** set by: Heb. precious * **19:7** in times...: Heb. yesterday, third day

8 ¶ And there was war again: and David went out, and fought with the Philistines, and
slew them with a great slaughter; and they fled from him.†
9 And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his javelin
in his hand: and David played with *his* hand.
10 And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the javelin; but he slipped away
out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall: and David fled, and escaped
that night.
11 Saul also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the
morning: and Michal David's wife told him, saying, If thou save not thy life to night, to
morrow thou shalt be slain.
12 ¶ So Michal let David down through a window: and he went, and fled, and escaped.
13 And Michal took an image, and laid *it* in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' *hair* for his
bolster, and covered *it* with a cloth.‡
14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He *is* sick.
15 And Saul sent the messengers *again* to see David, saying, Bring him up to me in the
bed, that I may slay him.
16 And when the messengers were come in, behold, *there was* an image in the bed, with
a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster.
17 And Saul said unto Michal, Why hast thou deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy,
that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; why should I
kill thee?
18 ¶ So David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul
had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.
19 And it was told Saul, saying, Behold, David *is* at Naioth in Ramah.
20 And Saul sent messengers to take David: and when they saw the company of the
prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing *as* appointed over them, the Spirit of God was
upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied.
21 And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers, and they prophesied likewise.
And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also.
22 Then went he also to Ramah, and came to a great well that *is* in Sechu: and he asked
and said, Where *are* Samuel and David? And *one* said, Behold, *they be* at Naioth in Ramah.
23 And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God was upon him also, and
he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.
24 And he stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and
lay down naked all that day and all that night. Wherefore they say, *Is* Saul also among the
prophets?§

20

1 And David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said before Jonathan, What have
I done? what *is* mine iniquity? and what *is* my sin before thy father, that he seeketh my
life?
2 And he said unto him, God forbid; thou shalt not die: behold, my father will do nothing
either great or small, but that he will shew it me: and why should my father hide this thing
from me? it *is* not *so*.*
3 And David sware moreover, and said, Thy father certainly knoweth that I have found
grace in thine eyes; and he saith, Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved: but truly
as the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, *there is* but a step between me and death.
4 Then said Jonathan unto David, Whatsoever thy soul desireth, I will even do *it* for thee.†‡
5 And David said unto Jonathan, Behold, to morrow *is* the new moon, and I should not
fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field unto the
third *day* at even.
6 If thy father at all miss me, then say, David earnestly asked *leave* of me that he might
run to Beth-lehem his city: for *there is* a yearly sacrifice there for all the family.§
7 If he say thus, *It is* well; thy servant shall have peace: but if he be very wroth, *then* be
sure that evil is determined by him.
8 Therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant; for thou hast brought thy servant
into a covenant of the LORD with thee: notwithstanding, if there be in me iniquity, slay me
thyself; for why shouldest thou bring me to thy father?

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† **19:8** him: Heb. his face ‡ **19:13** image: Heb. teraphim § **19:24** lay: Heb. fell * **20:2** shew...: Heb. uncover mine ear † **20:4** Whatsoever...: or, Say what is thy mind and I will do, etc ‡ **20:4** desireth: Heb. speaketh, or, thinketh § **20:6** sacrifice: or, feast

9 And Jonathan said, Far be it from thee: for if I knew certainly that evil were determined
by my father to come upon thee, then would not I tell it thee?
10 Then said David to Jonathan, Who shall tell me? or what *if* thy father answer thee
roughly?
11 ¶ And Jonathan said unto David, Come, and let us go out into the field. And they went
out both of them into the field.
12 And Jonathan said unto David, O LORD God of Israel, when I have sounded my father
about to morrow any time, *or* the third *day*, and, behold, *if there be* good toward David, and
I then send not unto thee, and shew it thee;**††
13 The LORD do so and much more to Jonathan: but if it please my father *to do* thee evil,
then I will shew it thee, and send thee away, that thou mayest go in peace: and the LORD
be with thee, as he hath been with my father.‡‡
14 And thou shalt not only while yet I live shew me the kindness of the LORD, that I die
not:
15 But *also* thou shalt not cut off thy kindness from my house for ever: no, not when the
LORD hath cut off the enemies of David every one from the face of the earth.
16 So Jonathan made *a covenant* with the house of David, *saying*, Let the LORD even
require *it* at the hand of David's enemies.§§
17 And Jonathan caused David to swear again, because he loved him: for he loved him as
he loved his own soul.***
18 Then Jonathan said to David, To morrow *is* the new moon: and thou shalt be missed,
because thy seat will be empty.†††
19 And *when* thou hast stayed three days, *then* thou shalt go down quickly, and come to
the place where thou didst hide thyself when the business was *in hand*, and shalt remain
by the stone Ezel.‡‡‡§§§*
20 And I will shoot three arrows on the side *thereof*, as though I shot at a mark.
21 And, behold, I will send a lad, *saying*, Go, find out the arrows. If I expressly say unto
the lad, Behold, the arrows *are* on this side of thee, take them; then come thou: for *there is*
peace to thee, and no hurt; *as* the LORD liveth.†
22 But if I say thus unto the young man, Behold, the arrows *are* beyond thee; go thy way:
for the LORD hath sent thee away.
23 And *as touching* the matter which thou and I have spoken of, behold, the LORD *be*
between thee and me for ever.
24 ¶ So David hid himself in the field: and when the new moon was come, the king sat
him down to eat meat.
25 And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, *even* upon a seat by the wall: and
Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side, and David's place was empty.
26 Nevertheless Saul spake not any thing that day: for he thought, Something hath
befallen him, he *is* not clean; surely he *is* not clean.
27 And it came to pass on the morrow, *which was* the second *day* of the month, that David's
place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son, Wherefore cometh not the son of
Jesse to meat, neither yesterday, nor to day?
28 And Jonathan answered Saul, David earnestly asked *leave* of me *to go* to Beth-lehem:
29 And he said, Let me go, I pray thee; for our family hath a sacrifice in the city; and my
brother, he hath commanded me *to be there:* and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes,
let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren. Therefore he cometh not unto the king's
table.
30 Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, Thou son of the
perverse rebellious *woman*, do not I know that thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine
own confusion, and unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness?‡
31 For as long as the son of Jesse liveth upon the ground, thou shalt not be established,
nor thy kingdom. Wherefore now send and fetch him unto me, for he shall surely die.§
32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, Wherefore shall he be
slain? what hath he done?

** **20:12** sounded: Heb. searched †† **20:12** shew...: Heb. uncover thine ear ‡‡ **20:13** shew...: Heb. uncover thine ear §§ **20:16** made: Heb. cut *** **20:17** because...: or, by his love toward him ††† **20:18** empty: Heb. missed ‡‡‡ **20:19** quickly: or, diligently: Heb. greatly §§§ **20:19** when the...: Heb. in the day of the business * **20:19** Ezel: or, that sheweth the way † **20:21** no hurt: Heb. not any thing ‡ **20:30** Thou...: or, Thou perverse rebel: Heb. Son of perverse rebellion § **20:31** shall...: Heb. is the son of death

33 And Saul cast a javelin at him to smite him: whereby Jonathan knew that it was
determined of his father to slay David.
34 So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no meat the second day
of the month: for he was grieved for David, because his father had done him shame.
35 ¶ And it came to pass in the morning, that Jonathan went out into the field at the time
appointed with David, and a little lad with him.
36 And he said unto his lad, Run, find out now the arrows which I shoot. *And* as the lad
ran, he shot an arrow beyond him.**
37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot,
Jonathan cried after the lad, and said, *Is* not the arrow beyond thee?
38 And Jonathan cried after the lad, Make speed, haste, stay not. And Jonathan's lad
gathered up the arrows, and came to his master.
39 But the lad knew not any thing: only Jonathan and David knew the matter.
40 And Jonathan gave his artillery unto his lad, and said unto him, Go, carry *them* to the
city.††‡‡
41 ¶ *And* as soon as the lad was gone, David arose out of *a place* toward the south, and
fell on his face to the ground, and bowed himself three times: and they kissed one another,
and wept one with another, until David exceeded.
42 And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in
the name of the LORD, saying, The LORD be between me and thee, and between my seed
and thy seed for ever. And he arose and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.§§

21

1 Then came David to Nob to Ahimelech the priest: and Ahimelech was afraid at the
meeting of David, and said unto him, Why *art* thou alone, and no man with thee?*
2 And David said unto Ahimelech the priest, The king hath commanded me a business,
and hath said unto me, Let no man know any thing of the business whereabout I send thee,
and what I have commanded thee: and I have appointed *my* servants to such and such a
place.
3 Now therefore what is under thine hand? give *me* five *loaves of* bread in mine hand, or
what there is present.†
4 And the priest answered David, and said, *There is* no common bread under mine hand,
but there is hallowed bread; if the young men have kept themselves at least from women.
5 And David answered the priest, and said unto him, Of a truth women *have been* kept
from us about these three days, since I came out, and the vessels of the young men are
holy, and *the bread is* in a manner common, yea, though it were sanctified this day in the
vessel.‡
6 So the priest gave him hallowed *bread:* for there was no bread there but the shewbread,
that was taken from before the LORD, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away.
7 Now a certain man of the servants of Saul *was* there that day, detained before the LORD;
and his name *was* Doeg, an Edomite, the chiefest of the herdmen that *belonged* to Saul.
8 ¶ And David said unto Ahimelech, And is there not here under thine hand spear or
sword? for I have neither brought my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's
business required haste.
9 And the priest said, The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom thou slewest in the valley
of Elah, behold, it *is here* wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod: if thou wilt take that, take
it: for *there is* no other save that here. And David said, *There is* none like that; give it me.
10 ¶ And David arose, and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to Achish the king of
Gath.
11 And the servants of Achish said unto him, *Is* not this David the king of the land? did
they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying, Saul hath slain his thousands, and
David his ten thousands?
12 And David laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid of Achish the king of
Gath.
13 And he changed his behaviour before them, and feigned himself mad in their hands,
and scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard.§

** **20:36** beyond...: Heb. to pass over him †† **20:40** artillery: Heb. instruments ‡‡ **20:40** his lad: Heb. the lad that was his §§ **20:42** forasmuch...: or, the LORD be witness of that which etc * **21:1** Ahimelech: also called Ahiah † **21:3** present: Heb. found ‡ **21:5** yea...: or, especially when this day there is other sanctified in the vessel § **21:13** scrabbled: or, made marks

14 Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, ye see the man is mad: wherefore *then* have ye
brought him to me?**
15 Have I need of mad men, that ye have brought this *fellow* to play the mad man in my
presence? shall this *fellow* come into my house?

22

1 David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his
brethren and all his father's house heard *it*, they went down thither to him.
2 And every one *that was* in distress, and every one that *was* in debt, and every one *that*
was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and
there were with him about four hundred men.*†
3 ¶ And David went thence to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the king of Moab, Let my
father and my mother, I pray thee, come forth, *and be* with you, till I know what God will
do for me.
4 And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while
that David was in the hold.
5 ¶ And the prophet Gad said unto David, Abide not in the hold; depart, and get thee into
the land of Judah. Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hareth.
6 ¶ When Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men that *were* with him, (now
Saul abode in Gibeah under a tree in Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his
servants *were* standing about him;)‡
7 Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, ye Benjamites; will
the son of Jesse give every one of you fields and vineyards, *and* make you all captains of
thousands, and captains of hundreds;
8 That all of you have conspired against me, and *there is* none that sheweth me that my
son hath made a league with the son of Jesse, and *there is* none of you that is sorry for me,
or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at
this day?§
9 ¶ Then answered Doeg the Edomite, which was set over the servants of Saul, and said,
I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.
10 And he enquired of the LORD for him, and gave him victuals, and gave him the sword
of Goliath the Philistine.
11 Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's
house, the priests that *were* in Nob: and they came all of them to the king.
12 And Saul said, Hear now, thou son of Ahitub. And he answered, Here I *am*, my lord.**
13 And Saul said unto him, Why have ye conspired against me, thou and the son of Jesse,
in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword, and hast enquired of God for him, that he
should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?
14 Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who *is so* faithful among all
thy servants as David, which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is
honourable in thine house?
15 Did I then begin to enquire of God for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute
any thing unto his servant, *nor* to all the house of my father: for thy servant knew nothing
of all this, less or more.††
16 And the king said, Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and all thy father's house.
17 ¶ And the king said unto the footmen that stood about him, Turn, and slay the priests
of the LORD; because their hand also *is* with David, and because they knew when he fled,
and did not shew it to me. But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to
fall upon the priests of the LORD.‡‡
18 And the king said to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite
turned, and he fell upon the priests, and slew on that day fourscore and five persons that
did wear a linen ephod.
19 And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both men and
women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.
20 ¶ And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and
fled after David.
21 And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain the LORD's priests.

** **21:14** is mad: or, playeth the mad man * **22:2** was in debt: Heb. had a creditor † **22:2** discontented: Heb. bitter of soul ‡ **22:6** tree...: or, grove in a high place § **22:8** sheweth...: Heb. uncovereth mine ear ** **22:12** Here...: Heb. Behold me †† **22:15** less...: Heb. little or great ‡‡ **22:17** footmen: or, guard: Heb. runners

22 And David said unto Abiathar, I knew *it* that day, when Doeg the Edomite *was* there,
that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned *the death* of all the persons of thy father's
house.
23 Abide thou with me, fear not: for he that seeketh my life seeketh thy life: but with me
thou *shalt be* in safeguard.

23

1 Then they told David, saying, Behold, the Philistines fight against Keilah, and they rob
the threshingfloors.
2 Therefore David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go and smite these Philistines?
And the LORD said unto David, Go, and smite the Philistines, and save Keilah.
3 And David's men said unto him, Behold, we be afraid here in Judah: how much more
then if we come to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?
4 Then David enquired of the LORD yet again. And the LORD answered him and said,
Arise, go down to Keilah; for I will deliver the Philistines into thine hand.
5 So David and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistines, and brought away
their cattle, and smote them with a great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of
Keilah.
6 And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech fled to David to Keilah, *that*
he came down *with* an ephod in his hand.
7 ¶ And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul said, God hath delivered
him into mine hand; for he is shut in, by entering into a town that hath gates and bars.
8 And Saul called all the people together to war, to go down to Keilah, to besiege David
and his men.
9 ¶ And David knew that Saul secretly practised mischief against him; and he said to
Abiathar the priest, Bring hither the ephod.
10 Then said David, O LORD God of Israel, thy servant hath certainly heard that Saul
seeketh to come to Keilah, to destroy the city for my sake.
11 Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul come down, as thy
servant hath heard? O LORD God of Israel, I beseech thee, tell thy servant. And the LORD
said, He will come down.
12 Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul?
And the LORD said, They will deliver *thee* up.*
13 ¶ Then David and his men, *which were* about six hundred, arose and departed out of
Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go. And it was told Saul that David was escaped
from Keilah; and he forbare to go forth.
14 And David abode in the wilderness in strong holds, and remained in a mountain in
the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every day, but God delivered him not into his
hand.
15 And David saw that Saul was come out to seek his life: and David *was* in the wilderness
of Ziph in a wood.
16 ¶ And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood, and strengthened
his hand in God.
17 And he said unto him, Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not find thee; and
thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall be next unto thee; and that also Saul my father
knoweth.
18 And they two made a covenant before the LORD: and David abode in the wood, and
Jonathan went to his house.
19 ¶ Then came up the Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not David hide himself with
us in strong holds in the wood, in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* on the south of Jeshimon?†‡
20 Now therefore, O king, come down according to all the desire of thy soul to come down;
and our part *shall be* to deliver him into the king's hand.
21 And Saul said, Blessed *be* ye of the LORD; for ye have compassion on me.
22 Go, I pray you, prepare yet, and know and see his place where his haunt is, *and* who
hath seen him there: for it is told me *that* he dealeth very subtilly.§
23 See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking places where he hideth himself,
and come ye again to me with the certainty, and I will go with you: and it shall come to
pass, if he be in the land, that I will search him out throughout all the thousands of Judah.

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* **23:12** deliver: Heb. shut up † **23:19** on...: Heb. on the right hand ‡ **23:19** Jeshimon: or, the wilderness § **23:22** haunt...: Heb. foot shall be

24 And they arose, and went to Ziph before Saul: but David and his men *were* in the
wilderness of Maon, in the plain on the south of Jeshimon.
25 Saul also and his men went to seek *him*. And they told David: wherefore he came down
into a rock, and abode in the wilderness of Maon. And when Saul heard *that*, he pursued
after David in the wilderness of Maon.**
26 And Saul went on this side of the mountain, and David and his men on that side of
the mountain: and David made haste to get away for fear of Saul; for Saul and his men
compassed David and his men round about to take them.
27 ¶ But there came a messenger unto Saul, saying, Haste thee, and come; for the
Philistines have invaded the land.††
28 Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing after David, and went against the Philistines:
therefore they called that place Sela-hammahlekoth.‡‡
29 ¶ And David went up from thence, and dwelt in strong holds at En-gedi.

24

1 And it came to pass, when Saul was returned from following the Philistines, that it was
told him, saying, Behold, David *is* in the wilderness of En-gedi.*
2 Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seek David and
his men upon the rocks of the wild goats.
3 And he came to the sheepcotes by the way, where *was* a cave; and Saul went in to cover
his feet: and David and his men remained in the sides of the cave.
4 And the men of David said unto him, Behold the day of which the LORD said unto thee,
Behold, I will deliver thine enemy into thine hand, that thou mayest do to him as it shall
seem good unto thee. Then David arose, and cut off the skirt of Saul's robe privily.†
5 And it came to pass afterward, that David's heart smote him, because he had cut off
Saul's skirt.
6 And he said unto his men, The LORD forbid that I should do this thing unto my master,
the LORD's anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him, seeing he *is* the anointed of
the LORD.
7 So David stayed his servants with these words, and suffered them not to rise against
Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave, and went on *his* way.‡
8 David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, My
lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him, David stooped with his face to the earth,
and bowed himself.
9 ¶ And David said to Saul, Wherefore hearest thou men's words, saying, Behold, David
seeketh thy hurt?
10 Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to day into
mine hand in the cave: and *some* bade *me* kill thee: but *mine eye* spared thee; and I said, I
will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he *is* the LORD's anointed.
11 Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that I cut off
the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not, know thou and see that *there is* neither evil nor
transgression in mine hand, and I have not sinned against thee; yet thou huntest my soul
to take it.
12 The LORD judge between me and thee, and the LORD avenge me of thee: but mine
hand shall not be upon thee.
13 As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked: but
mine hand shall not be upon thee.
14 After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom dost thou pursue? after a dead
dog, after a flea.
15 The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me and thee, and see, and plead my
cause, and deliver me out of thine hand.§
16 ¶ And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking these words unto Saul,
that Saul said, *Is* this thy voice, my son David? And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept.
17 And he said to David, Thou *art* more righteous than I: for thou hast rewarded me good,
whereas I have rewarded thee evil.
18 And thou hast shewed this day how that thou hast dealt well with me: forasmuch as
when the LORD had delivered me into thine hand, thou killedst me not.**

** **23:25** into...: or, from the rock †† **23:27** invaded...: Heb. spread themselves upon, etc ‡‡ **23:28** Sela-hammahlekoth: that is, The rock of divisions * **24:1** following: Heb. after † **24:4** Saul's...: Heb. the robe which was Saul's ‡ **24:7** stayed: Heb. cut off § **24:15** deliver: Heb. judge ** **24:18** delivered: Heb. shut up

19 For if a man find his enemy, will he let him go well away? wherefore the LORD reward
thee good for that thou hast done unto me this day.
20 And now, behold, I know well that thou shalt surely be king, and that the kingdom of
Israel shall be established in thine hand.
21 Swear now therefore unto me by the LORD, that thou wilt not cut off my seed after me,
and that thou wilt not destroy my name out of my father's house.
22 And David sware unto Saul. And Saul went home; but David and his men gat them up
unto the hold.

25

1 And Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together, and lamented him, and
buried him in his house at Ramah. And David arose, and went down to the wilderness of
Paran.
2 And *there was* a man in Maon, whose possessions *were* in Carmel; and the man *was*
very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing
his sheep in Carmel.*
3 Now the name of the man *was* Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail: and *she was* a
woman of good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the man *was* churlish
and evil in his doings; and he *was* of the house of Caleb.
4 ¶ And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal did shear his sheep.
5 And David sent out ten young men, and David said unto the young men, Get you up to
Carmel, and go to Nabal, and greet him in my name:†
6 And thus shall ye say to him that liveth *in prosperity*, Peace *be* both to thee, and peace
be to thine house, and peace *be* unto all that thou hast.
7 And now I have heard that thou hast shearers: now thy shepherds which were with us,
we hurt them not, neither was there ought missing unto them, all the while they were in
Carmel.‡
8 Ask thy young men, and they will shew thee. Wherefore let the young men find favour
in thine eyes: for we come in a good day: give, I pray thee, whatsoever cometh to thine
hand unto thy servants, and to thy son David.
9 And when David's young men came, they spake to Nabal according to all those words
in the name of David, and ceased.§
10 ¶ And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, Who *is* David? and who *is* the son
of Jesse? there be many servants now a days that break away every man from his master.
11 Shall I then take my bread, and my water, and my flesh that I have killed for my
shearers, and give *it* unto men, whom I know not whence they *be*?**
12 So David's young men turned their way, and went again, and came and told him all
those sayings.
13 And David said unto his men, Gird ye on every man his sword. And they girded on
every man his sword; and David also girded on his sword: and there went up after David
about four hundred men; and two hundred abode by the stuff.
14 ¶ But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying, Behold, David sent
messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master; and he railed on them.††
15 But the men *were* very good unto us, and we were not hurt, neither missed we any
thing, as long as we were conversant with them, when we were in the fields:‡‡
16 They were a wall unto us both by night and day, all the while we were with them
keeping the sheep.
17 Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for evil is determined against
our master, and against all his household: for he *is such* a son of Belial, that *a man* cannot
speak to him.
18 ¶ Then Abigail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and
five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched *corn*, and an hundred clusters of
raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid *them* on asses.§§
19 And she said unto her servants, Go on before me; behold, I come after you. But she
told not her husband Nabal.
20 And it was *so, as* she rode on the ass, that she came down by the covert of the hill, and,
behold, David and his men came down against her; and she met them.

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* **25:2** possessions: or, business † **25:5** greet...: Heb. ask him in my name of peace ‡ **25:7** hurt: Heb. shamed § **25:9** ceased: Heb. rested ** **25:11** flesh: Heb. slaughter †† **25:14** railed...: Heb. flew upon them ‡‡ **25:15** hurt: Heb. shamed §§ **25:18** clusters: or, lumps

21 Now David had said, Surely in vain have I kept all that this *fellow* hath in the
wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that *pertained* unto him: and he hath requited
me evil for good.
22 So and more also do God unto the enemies of David, if I leave of all that *pertain* to him
by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall.
23 And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and lighted off the ass, and fell before David
on her face, and bowed herself to the ground,
24 And fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, *upon* me *let this* iniquity *be:* and
let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thine
handmaid.***
25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, regard this man of Belial, *even* Nabal: for as his name *is*,
so *is* he; Nabal *is* his name, and folly *is* with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young
men of my lord, whom thou didst send.†††‡‡‡
26 Now therefore, my lord, *as* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, seeing the LORD
hath withholden thee from coming to *shed* blood, and from avenging thyself with thine
own hand, now let thine enemies, and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal.§§§
27 And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be
given unto the young men that follow my lord.*†
28 I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the LORD will certainly make
my lord a sure house; because my lord fighteth the battles of the LORD, and evil hath not
been found in thee *all* thy days.
29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul: but the soul of my lord shall be
bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God; and the souls of thine enemies, them
shall he sling out, *as out* of the middle of a sling.‡
30 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD shall have done to my lord according to all
the good that he hath spoken concerning thee, and shall have appointed thee ruler over
Israel;
31 That this shall be no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that thou
hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself: but when the LORD shall
have dealt well with my lord, then remember thine handmaid.§
32 ¶ And David said to Abigail, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which sent thee this day
to meet me:
33 And blessed *be* thy advice, and blessed *be* thou, which hast kept me this day from
coming to *shed* blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.
34 For in very deed, *as* the LORD God of Israel liveth, which hath kept me back from
hurting thee, except thou hadst hasted and come to meet me, surely there had not been
left unto Nabal by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall.
35 So David received of her hand *that* which she had brought him, and said unto her,
Go up in peace to thine house; see, I have hearkened to thy voice, and have accepted thy
person.
36 ¶ And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of
a king; and Nabal's heart *was* merry within him, for he *was* very drunken: wherefore she
told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light.
37 But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife
had told him these things, that his heart died within him, and he became *as* a stone.
38 And it came to pass about ten days *after*, that the LORD smote Nabal, that he died.
39 ¶ And when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, Blessed *be* the LORD, that hath
pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and hath kept his servant from
evil: for the LORD hath returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head. And David
sent and communed with Abigail, to take her to him to wife.
40 And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake unto her,
saying, David sent us unto thee, to take thee to him to wife.
41 And she arose, and bowed herself on *her* face to the earth, and said, Behold, *let* thine
handmaid *be* a servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord.
42 And Abigail hasted, and arose, and rode upon an ass, with five damsels of hers that
went after her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became his wife.**

*** **25:24** audience: Heb. ears ††† **25:25** regard: Heb. lay it to his heart ‡‡‡ **25:25** Nabal: that is, Fool §§§ **25:26** avenging...: Heb. saving thyself * **25:27** blessing: or, present † **25:27** follow...: Heb. walk at the feet of, etc ‡ **25:29** as out...: Heb. in the midst of the bought of a sling § **25:31** no grief: Heb. no staggering, or, stumbling ** **25:42** after her: Heb. at her feet

43 David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel; and they were also both of them his wives.
44 ¶ But Saul had given Michal his daughter, David's wife, to Phalti the son of Laish, which
was of Gallim.††

26

1 And the Ziphites came unto Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not David hide himself in the
hill of Hachilah, *which is* before Jeshimon?
2 Then Saul arose, and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, having three thousand
chosen men of Israel with him, to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph.
3 And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* before Jeshimon, by the way. But
David abode in the wilderness, and he saw that Saul came after him into the wilderness.
4 David therefore sent out spies, and understood that Saul was come in very deed.
5 ¶ And David arose, and came to the place where Saul had pitched: and David beheld
the place where Saul lay, and Abner the son of Ner, the captain of his host: and Saul lay in
the trench, and the people pitched round about him.*
6 Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai the son of
Zeruiah, brother to Joab, saying, Who will go down with me to Saul to the camp? And
Abishai said, I will go down with thee.
7 So David and Abishai came to the people by night: and, behold, Saul lay sleeping within
the trench, and his spear stuck in the ground at his bolster: but Abner and the people lay
round about him.
8 Then said Abishai to David, God hath delivered thine enemy into thine hand this day:
now therefore let me smite him, I pray thee, with the spear even to the earth at once, and
I will not *smite* him the second time.†
9 And David said to Abishai, Destroy him not: for who can stretch forth his hand against
the LORD's anointed, and be guiltless?
10 David said furthermore, *As* the LORD liveth, the LORD shall smite him; or his day shall
come to die; or he shall descend into battle, and perish.
11 The LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the LORD's anointed:
but, I pray thee, take thou now the spear that *is* at his bolster, and the cruse of water, and
let us go.
12 So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's bolster; and they gat them
away, and no man saw *it*, nor knew *it*, neither awaked: for they *were* all asleep; because a
deep sleep from the LORD was fallen upon them.
13 ¶ Then David went over to the other side, and stood on the top of an hill afar off; a great
space *being* between them:
14 And David cried to the people, and to Abner the son of Ner, saying, Answerest thou not,
Abner? Then Abner answered and said, Who *art* thou *that* criest to the king?
15 And David said to Abner, *Art* not thou a *valiant* man? and who *is* like to thee in Israel?
wherefore then hast thou not kept thy lord the king? for there came one of the people in to
destroy the king thy lord.
16 This thing *is* not good that thou hast done. *As* the LORD liveth, ye *are* worthy to die,
because ye have not kept your master, the LORD's anointed. And now see where the king's
spear *is*, and the cruse of water that *was* at his bolster.‡
17 And Saul knew David's voice, and said, *Is* this thy voice, my son David? And David said,
It is my voice, my lord, O king.
18 And he said, Wherefore doth my lord thus pursue after his servant? for what have I
done? or what evil *is* in mine hand?
19 Now therefore, I pray thee, let my lord the king hear the words of his servant. If the
LORD have stirred thee up against me, let him accept an offering: but if *they be* the children
of men, cursed *be* they before the LORD; for they have driven me out this day from abiding
in the inheritance of the LORD, saying, Go, serve other gods.§**
20 Now therefore, let not my blood fall to the earth before the face of the LORD: for the
king of Israel is come out to seek a flea, as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountains.
21 ¶ Then said Saul, I have sinned: return, my son David: for I will no more do thee harm,
because my soul was precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I have played the fool, and
have erred exceedingly.
22 And David answered and said, Behold the king's spear! and let one of the young men
come over and fetch it.

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†† **25:44** Phalti: also called, Phaltiel * **26:5** trench: or, midst of his carriages † **26:8** delivered: Heb. shut up
‡ **26:16** worthy to die: Heb. the sons of death § **26:19** accept: Heb. smell ** **26:19** abiding: Heb. cleaving

23 The LORD render to every man his righteousness and his faithfulness: for the LORD
delivered thee into *my* hand to day, but I would not stretch forth mine hand against the
LORD's anointed.
24 And, behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes, so let my life be much
set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let him deliver me out of all tribulation.
25 Then Saul said to David, Blessed *be* thou, my son David: thou shalt both do great *things*,
and also shalt still prevail. So David went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.

27

1 And David said in his heart, I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul: *there is*
nothing better for me than that I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines;
and Saul shall despair of me, to seek me any more in any coast of Israel: so shall I escape
out of his hand.*
2 And David arose, and he passed over with the six hundred men that *were* with him unto
Achish, the son of Maoch, king of Gath.
3 And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man with his household,
even David with his two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess,
Nabal's wife.
4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought no more again for him.
5 ¶ And David said unto Achish, If I have now found grace in thine eyes, let them give me
a place in some town in the country, that I may dwell there: for why should thy servant
dwell in the royal city with thee?
6 Then Achish gave him Ziklag that day: wherefore Ziklag pertaineth unto the kings of
Judah unto this day.
7 And the time that David dwelt in the country of the Philistines was a full year and four
months.†‡
8 ¶ And David and his men went up, and invaded the Geshurites, and the Gezrites, and
the Amalekites: for those *nations were* of old the inhabitants of the land, as thou goest to
Shur, even unto the land of Egypt.§
9 And David smote the land, and left neither man nor woman alive, and took away the
sheep, and the oxen, and the asses, and the camels, and the apparel, and returned, and
came to Achish.
10 And Achish said, Whither have ye made a road to day? And David said, Against the
south of Judah, and against the south of the Jerahmeelites, and against the south of the
Kenites.**
11 And David saved neither man nor woman alive, to bring *tidings* to Gath, saying, Lest
they should tell on us, saying, So did David, and so *will be* his manner all the while he
dwelleth in the country of the Philistines.
12 And Achish believed David, saying, He hath made his people Israel utterly to abhor
him; therefore he shall be my servant for ever.††

28

1 And it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered their armies together for
warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish said unto David, Know thou assuredly, that thou
shalt go out with me to battle, thou and thy men.
2 And David said to Achish, Surely thou shalt know what thy servant can do. And Achish
said to David, Therefore will I make thee keeper of mine head for ever.
3 ¶ Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah,
even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards,
out of the land.
4 And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in Shunem:
and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa.
5 And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart greatly
trembled.
6 And when Saul enquired of the LORD, the LORD answered him not, neither by dreams,
nor by Urim, nor by prophets.

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* **27:1** perish: Heb. be consumed † **27:7** the time: Heb. the number of days ‡ **27:7** a full year: Heb. a year of days
§ **27:8** Gezrites: or, Gerzites ** **27:10** Whither...: or, Did you not make a road, etc †† **27:12** utterly...: Heb. to stink

7 ¶ Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I
may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, *there is* a woman
that hath a familiar spirit at Endor.
8 And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with
him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the
familiar spirit, and bring me *him* up, whom I shall name unto thee.
9 And the woman said unto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he
hath cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: wherefore
then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die?
10 And Saul sware to her by the LORD, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, there shall no
punishment happen to thee for this thing.
11 Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up
Samuel.
12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake
to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou *art* Saul.
13 And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said
unto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth.
14 And he said unto her, What form *is* he of? And she said, An old man cometh up; and he
is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it *was* Samuel, and he stooped with *his*
face to the ground, and bowed himself.*
15 ¶ And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And
Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and God
is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither by prophets, nor by dreams:
therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do.†
16 Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed
from thee, and is become thine enemy?
17 And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the
kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, *even* to David:‡§
18 Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon
Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day.
19 Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines:
and to morrow *shalt* thou and thy sons *be* with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of
Israel into the hand of the Philistines.
20 Then Saul fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the
words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no bread all the day,
nor all the night.**
21 ¶ And the woman came unto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled, and said unto
him, Behold, thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I have put my life in my hand,
and have hearkened unto thy words which thou spakest unto me.
22 Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also unto the voice of thine handmaid, and
let me set a morsel of bread before thee; and eat, that thou mayest have strength, when
thou goest on thy way.
23 But he refused, and said, I will not eat. But his servants, together with the woman,
compelled him; and he hearkened unto their voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat
upon the bed.
24 And the woman had a fat calf in the house; and she hasted, and killed it, and took flour,
and kneaded *it*, and did bake unleavened bread thereof:
25 And she brought *it* before Saul, and before his servants; and they did eat. Then they
rose up, and went away that night.

29

1 Now the Philistines gathered together all their armies to Aphek: and the Israelites
pitched by a fountain which *is* in Jezreel.
2 And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by thousands: but David
and his men passed on in the rereward with Achish.
3 Then said the princes of the Philistines, What *do* these Hebrews *here*? And Achish said
unto the princes of the Philistines, *Is* not this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel,

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* **28:14** What...: Heb. What is his form? † **28:15** by prophets: Heb. by the hand of prophets ‡ **28:17** to him: or, for himself § **28:17** me: Heb. mine hand ** **28:20** fell...: Heb. made haste, and fell with the fulness of his stature

which hath been with me these days, or these years, and I have found no fault in him since
he fell *unto me* unto this day?
4 And the princes of the Philistines were wroth with him; and the princes of the
Philistines said unto him, Make this fellow return, that he may go again to his place which
thou hast appointed him, and let him not go down with us to battle, lest in the battle he be
an adversary to us: for wherewith should he reconcile himself unto his master? *should it*
not *be* with the heads of these men?
5 *Is* not this David, of whom they sang one to another in dances, saying, Saul slew his
thousands, and David his ten thousands?
6 ¶ Then Achish called David, and said unto him, Surely, *as* the LORD liveth, thou hast
been upright, and thy going out and thy coming in with me in the host *is* good in my
sight: for I have not found evil in thee since the day of thy coming unto me unto this day:
nevertheless the lords favour thee not.*
7 Wherefore now return, and go in peace, that thou displease not the lords of the
Philistines.†
8 ¶ And David said unto Achish, But what have I done? and what hast thou found in thy
servant so long as I have been with thee unto this day, that I may not go fight against the
enemies of my lord the king?‡
9 And Achish answered and said to David, I know that thou *art* good in my sight, as an
angel of God: notwithstanding the princes of the Philistines have said, He shall not go up
with us to the battle.
10 Wherefore now rise up early in the morning with thy master's servants that are come
with thee: and as soon as ye be up early in the morning, and have light, depart.
11 So David and his men rose up early to depart in the morning, to return into the land of
the Philistines. And the Philistines went up to Jezreel.

30

1 And it came to pass, when David and his men were come to Ziklag on the third day, that
the Amalekites had invaded the south, and Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag, and burned it with
fire;
2 And had taken the women captives, that *were* therein: they slew not any, either great
or small, but carried *them* away, and went on their way.
3 ¶ So David and his men came to the city, and, behold, *it was* burned with fire; and their
wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captives.
4 Then David and the people that *were* with him lifted up their voice and wept, until they
had no more power to weep.
5 And David's two wives were taken captives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the
wife of Nabal the Carmelite.
6 And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul
of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David
encouraged himself in the LORD his God.*
7 And David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, I pray thee, bring me hither the
ephod. And Abiathar brought thither the ephod to David.
8 And David enquired at the LORD, saying, Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I overtake
them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake *them*, and without fail
recover *all*.
9 So David went, he and the six hundred men that *were* with him, and came to the brook
Besor, where those that were left behind stayed.
10 But David pursued, he and four hundred men: for two hundred abode behind, which
were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor.
11 ¶ And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David, and gave him
bread, and he did eat; and they made him drink water;
12 And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of raisins: and when he
had eaten, his spirit came again to him: for he had eaten no bread, nor drunk *any* water,
three days and three nights.
13 And David said unto him, To whom *belongest* thou? and whence *art* thou? And he said,
I *am* a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite; and my master left me, because three
days agone I fell sick.

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* **29:6** the lords...: Heb. thou art not good in the eyes of the lords † **29:7** displease...: Heb. do not evil in the eyes of the lords ‡ **29:8** with...: Heb. before thee * **30:6** grieved: Heb. bitter

14 We made an invasion *upon* the south of the Cherethites, and upon *the coast* which
belongeth to Judah, and upon the south of Caleb; and we burned Ziklag with fire.
15 And David said to him, Canst thou bring me down to this company? And he said, Swear
unto me by God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor deliver me into the hands of my master,
and I will bring thee down to this company.
16 ¶ And when he had brought him down, behold, *they were* spread abroad upon all the
earth, eating and drinking, and dancing, because of all the great spoil that they had taken
out of the land of the Philistines, and out of the land of Judah.
17 And David smote them from the twilight even unto the evening of the next day: and
there escaped not a man of them, save four hundred young men, which rode upon camels,
and fled.†
18 And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away: and David rescued his
two wives.
19 And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great, neither sons nor
daughters, neither spoil, nor any *thing* that they had taken to them: David recovered all.
20 And David took all the flocks and the herds, *which* they drave before those *other* cattle,
and said, This *is* David's spoil.
21 ¶ And David came to the two hundred men, which were so faint that they could not
follow David, whom they had made also to abide at the brook Besor: and they went forth
to meet David, and to meet the people that *were* with him: and when David came near to
the people, he saluted them.‡
22 Then answered all the wicked men and *men* of Belial, of those that went with David,
and said, Because they went not with us, we will not give them *ought* of the spoil that we
have recovered, save to every man his wife and his children, that they may lead *them* away,
and depart.§
23 Then said David, Ye shall not do so, my brethren, with that which the LORD hath given
us, who hath preserved us, and delivered the company that came against us into our hand.
24 For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but as his part *is* that goeth down to the
battle, so *shall* his part *be* that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike.
25 And it was *so* from that day forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance for
Israel unto this day.**
26 ¶ And when David came to Ziklag, he sent of the spoil unto the elders of Judah, *even* to
his friends, saying, Behold a present for you of the spoil of the enemies of the LORD;††
27 To *them* which *were* in Beth-el, and to *them* which *were* in south Ramoth, and to *them*
which *were* in Jattir,
28 And to *them* which *were* in Aroer, and to *them* which *were* in Siphmoth, and to *them*
which *were* in Eshtemoa,
29 And to *them* which *were* in Rachal, and to *them* which *were* in the cities of the
Jerahmeelites, and to *them* which *were* in the cities of the Kenites,
30 And to *them* which *were* in Hormah, and to *them* which *were* in Chor-ashan, and to
them which *were* in Athach,
31 And to *them* which *were* in Hebron, and to all the places where David himself and his
men were wont to haunt.

31

1 Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the
Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.*
2 And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew
Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchi-shua, Saul's sons.
3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him; and he was sore
wounded of the archers.†‡
4 Then said Saul unto his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through
therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and abuse me. But his
armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and fell
upon it.§
5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise upon his sword,
and died with him.

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† **30:17** the next...: Heb. their morrow ‡ **30:21** saluted...: or, asked them how they did § **30:22** those: Heb. men
** **30:25** forward: Heb. and forward †† **30:26** present: Heb. blessing * **31:1** slain: or, wounded † **31:3** and
the archers: Heb. and the shooters, men with bows ‡ **31:3** hit...: Heb. found him § **31:4** abuse...: or, mock me

6 So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, and all his men, that same day
together.
7 ¶ And when the men of Israel that *were* on the other side of the valley, and *they* that
were on the other side Jordan, saw that the men of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons
were dead, they forsook the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.
8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that
they found Saul and his three sons fallen in mount Gilboa.
9 And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armour, and sent into the land of the
Philistines round about, to publish *it in* the house of their idols, and among the people.
10 And they put his armour in the house of Ashtaroth: and they fastened his body to the
wall of Beth-shan.
11 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard of that which the Philistines had
done to Saul;**
12 All the valiant men arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies
of his sons from the wall of Beth-shan, and came to Jabesh, and burnt them there.
13 And they took their bones, and buried *them* under a tree at Jabesh, and fasted seven
days.

** **31:11** of that: or, concerning him that

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1 Now it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from the
slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag;
2 It came even to pass on the third day, that, behold, a man came out of the camp from
Saul with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and *so* it was, when he came to David,
that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.
3 And David said unto him, From whence comest thou? And he said unto him, Out of the
camp of Israel am I escaped.
4 And David said unto him, How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me. And he answered,
That the people are fled from the battle, and many of the people also are fallen and dead;
and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also.*
5 And David said unto the young man that told him, How knowest thou that Saul and
Jonathan his son be dead?
6 And the young man that told him said, As I happened by chance upon mount Gilboa,
behold, Saul leaned upon his spear; and, lo, the chariots and horsemen followed hard after
him.
7 And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered, Here
am I.†
8 And he said unto me, Who *art* thou? And I answered him, I *am* an Amalekite.
9 He said unto me again, Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and slay me: for anguish is come
upon me, because my life *is* yet whole in me.‡
10 So I stood upon him, and slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that
he was fallen: and I took the crown that *was* upon his head, and the bracelet that *was* on
his arm, and have brought them hither unto my lord.
11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the men that *were*
with him:
12 And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son,
and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the
sword.
13 ¶ And David said unto the young man that told him, Whence *art* thou? And he
answered, I *am* the son of a stranger, an Amalekite.
14 And David said unto him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thine hand to
destroy the LORD's anointed?
15 And David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, *and* fall upon him. And he
smote him that he died.
16 And David said unto him, Thy blood *be* upon thy head; for thy mouth hath testified
against thee, saying, I have slain the LORD's anointed.
17 ¶ And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:
18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah *the use of* the bow: behold, *it is* written
in the book of Jasher.)§
19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!
20 Tell *it* not in Gath, publish *it* not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the
Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.
21 Ye mountains of Gilboa, *let there be* no dew, neither *let there be* rain, upon you, nor
fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul,
as though he had not *been* anointed with oil.
22 From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not
back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.
23 Saul and Jonathan *were* lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were
not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.**
24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with *other* delights,
who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.
25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, *thou wast* slain in
thine high places.

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* **1:4** How...: Heb. What was, etc † **1:7** Here...: Heb. Behold me ‡ **1:9** anguish...: or, my coat of mail (or, my embroidered coat) hindereth me, that my, etc § **1:18** of Jasher: or, of the upright ** **1:23** pleasant: or, sweet

26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me:
thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.
27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

2

1 And it came to pass after this, that David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up into
any of the cities of Judah? And the LORD said unto him, Go up. And David said, Whither
shall I go up? And he said, Unto Hebron.
2 So David went up thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail
Nabal's wife the Carmelite.
3 And his men that *were* with him did David bring up, every man with his household: and
they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.
4 And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of
Judah. And they told David, saying, *That* the men of Jabesh-gilead *were they* that buried
Saul.
5 ¶ And David sent messengers unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, and said unto them,
Blessed *be* ye of the LORD, that ye have shewed this kindness unto your lord, *even* unto
Saul, and have buried him.
6 And now the LORD shew kindness and truth unto you: and I also will requite you this
kindness, because ye have done this thing.
7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and be ye valiant: for your master Saul
is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them.*
8 ¶ But Abner the son of Ner, captain of Saul's host, took Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and
brought him over to Mahanaim;†‡
9 And made him king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over
Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.
10 Ish-bosheth Saul's son *was* forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and
reigned two years. But the house of Judah followed David.
11 And the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years
and six months.§
12 ¶ And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out
from Mahanaim to Gibeon.
13 And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out, and met together by
the pool of Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on
the other side of the pool.**
14 And Abner said to Joab, Let the young men now arise, and play before us. And Joab
said, Let them arise.
15 Then there arose and went over by number twelve of Benjamin, which *pertained* to
Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.
16 And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and *thrust* his sword in his fellow's
side; so they fell down together: wherefore that place was called Helkath-hazzurim, which
is in Gibeon.††
17 And there was a very sore battle that day; and Abner was beaten, and the men of Israel,
before the servants of David.
18 ¶ And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel: and
Asahel *was as* light of foot as a wild roe.‡‡§§
19 And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to
the left from following Abner.***
20 Then Abner looked behind him, and said, *Art* thou Asahel? And he answered, I *am*.
21 And Abner said to him, Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to thy left, and lay thee
hold on one of the young men, and take thee his armour. But Asahel would not turn aside
from following of him.†††
22 And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following me: wherefore should
I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face to Joab thy brother?
23 Howbeit he refused to turn aside: wherefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear
smote him under the fifth *rib*, that the spear came out behind him; and he fell down there,

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* **2:7** be ye...: Heb. be ye the sons of valour † **2:8** Saul's host: Heb. the host which was Saul's ‡ **2:8** Ish-bosheth: or, Esh-baal § **2:11** time: Heb. number of days ** **2:13** together: Heb. them together †† **2:16** Helkath-hazzurim: that is, The field of strong men ‡‡ **2:18** of foot: Heb. of his feet §§ **2:18** as a wild...: Heb. as one of the roes that is in the field *** **2:19** from...: Heb. from after Abner ††† **2:21** armour: or, spoil

and died in the same place: and it came to pass, *that* as many as came to the place where
Asahel fell down and died stood still.
24 Joab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down when they were
come to the hill of Ammah, that *lieth* before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.
25 ¶ And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became
one troop, and stood on the top of an hill.
26 Then Abner called to Joab, and said, Shall the sword devour for ever? knowest thou
not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? how long shall it be then, ere thou bid the
people return from following their brethren?
27 And Joab said, *As* God liveth, unless thou hadst spoken, surely then in the morning the
people had gone up every one from following his brother.‡‡‡§§§
28 So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more,
neither fought they any more.
29 And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed over
Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.
30 And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the people
together, there lacked of David's servants nineteen men and Asahel.
31 But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's men, *so that* three
hundred and threescore men died.
32 ¶ And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his father, which *was
in* Beth-lehem. And Joab and his men went all night, and they came to Hebron at break of
day.

3

1 Now there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David
waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker.
2 ¶ And unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his firstborn was Amnon, of Ahinoam
the Jezreelitess;
3 And his second, Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third,
Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur;*
4 And the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;
5 And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.
6 ¶ And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of
David, that Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul.
7 And Saul had a concubine, whose name *was* Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and *Ish-
bosheth* said to Abner, Wherefore hast thou gone in unto my father's concubine?
8 Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Ish-bosheth, and said, *Am* I a dog's head,
which against Judah do shew kindness this day unto the house of Saul thy father, to his
brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou
chargest me to day with a fault concerning this woman?
9 So do God to Abner, and more also, except, as the LORD hath sworn to David, even so I
do to him;
10 To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over
Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba.
11 And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared him.
12 ¶ And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose *is* the land? saying
also, Make thy league with me, and, behold, my hand *shall be* with thee, to bring about all
Israel unto thee.
13 ¶ And he said, Well; I will make a league with thee: but one thing I require of thee, that
is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou first bring Michal Saul's daughter, when thou
comest to see my face.†
14 And David sent messengers to Ish-bosheth Saul's son, saying, Deliver *me* my wife
Michal, which I espoused to me for an hundred foreskins of the Philistines.
15 And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from *her* husband, *even* from Phaltiel the son of
Laish.‡
16 And her husband went with her along weeping behind her to Bahurim. Then said
Abner unto him, Go, return. And he returned.§

‡‡‡ **2:27** in the...: Heb. from the morning §§§ **2:27** gone...: or, gone away * **3:3** Chileab: or, Daniel † **3:13** that is: Heb. saying ‡ **3:15** Phaltiel: also called, Phalti § **3:16** along...: Heb. going and weeping

17 ¶ And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for David
in times past *to be* king over you:**
18 Now then do *it:* for the LORD hath spoken of David, saying, By the hand of my servant
David I will save my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of
all their enemies.
19 And Abner also spake in the ears of Benjamin: and Abner went also to speak in the
ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole
house of Benjamin.
20 So Abner came to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him. And David made Abner
and the men that *were* with him a feast.
21 And Abner said unto David, I will arise and go, and will gather all Israel unto my lord
the king, that they may make a league with thee, and that thou mayest reign over all that
thine heart desireth. And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace.
22 ¶ And, behold, the servants of David and Joab came from *pursuing* a troop, and brought
in a great spoil with them: but Abner *was* not with David in Hebron; for he had sent him
away, and he was gone in peace.
23 When Joab and all the host that *was* with him were come, they told Joab, saying, Abner
the son of Ner came to the king, and he hath sent him away, and he is gone in peace.
24 Then Joab came to the king, and said, What hast thou done? behold, Abner came unto
thee; why *is* it *that* thou hast sent him away, and he is quite gone?
25 Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that he came to deceive thee, and to know thy
going out and thy coming in, and to know all that thou doest.
26 And when Joab was come out from David, he sent messengers after Abner, which
brought him again from the well of Sirah: but David knew *it* not.
27 And when Abner was returned to Hebron, Joab took him aside in the gate to speak with
him quietly, and smote him there under the fifth *rib*, that he died, for the blood of Asahel
his brother.††
28 ¶ And afterward when David heard *it*, he said, I and my kingdom *are* guiltless before
the LORD for ever from the blood of Abner the son of Ner:‡‡
29 Let it rest on the head of Joab, and on all his father's house; and let there not fail from
the house of Joab one that hath an issue, or that is a leper, or that leaneth on a staff, or that
falleth on the sword, or that lacketh bread.§§
30 So Joab and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because he had slain their brother Asahel
at Gibeon in the battle.
31 ¶ And David said to Joab, and to all the people that *were* with him, Rend your clothes,
and gird you with sackcloth, and mourn before Abner. And king David *himself* followed
the bier.***
32 And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his voice, and wept at the
grave of Abner; and all the people wept.
33 And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Died Abner as a fool dieth?
34 Thy hands *were* not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters: as a man falleth before wicked
men, *so* fellest thou. And all the people wept again over him.†††
35 And when all the people came to cause David to eat meat while it was yet day, David
sware, saying, So do God to me, and more also, if I taste bread, or ought else, till the sun be
down.
36 And all the people took notice *of it*, and it pleased them: as whatsoever the king did
pleased all the people.‡‡‡
37 For all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to slay
Abner the son of Ner.
38 And the king said unto his servants, Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man
fallen this day in Israel?
39 And I *am* this day weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah *be*
too hard for me: the LORD shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness.§§§

4

1 And when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands were feeble, and
all the Israelites were troubled.

** **3:17** in times...: Heb. both yesterday and the third day †† **3:27** quietly: or, peaceably ‡‡ **3:28** blood: Heb. bloods §§ **3:29** fail: Heb. be cut off *** **3:31** bier: Heb. bed ††† **3:34** wicked...: Heb. children of iniquity ‡‡‡ **3:36** pleased them: Heb. was good in their eyes §§§ **3:39** weak: Heb. tender

2 And Saul's son had two men *that were* captains of bands: the name of the one *was*
Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon a Beerothite, of the
children of Benjamin: (for Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin:*
3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there until this day.)
4 And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son *that was* lame of *his* feet. He was five years old
when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and
fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his
name *was* Mephibosheth.†
5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the
heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.
6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, *as though* they would have fetched
wheat; and they smote him under the fifth *rib:* and Rechab and Baanah his brother
escaped.
7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote
him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, and gat them away through the
plain all night.
8 And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth unto David to Hebron, and said to the king,
Behold the head of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul thine enemy, which sought thy life; and the
LORD hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed.
9 ¶ And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the
Beerothite, and said unto them, *As* the LORD liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of
all adversity,
10 When one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, thinking to have brought good tidings,
I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, who *thought* that I would have given him a
reward for his tidings:‡§
11 How much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house
upon his bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away
from the earth?
12 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands
and their feet, and hanged *them* up over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of
Ish-bosheth, and buried *it* in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

5

1 Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we
are thy bone and thy flesh.
2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and
broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou
shalt be a captain over Israel.
3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league
with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.
4 ¶ David *was* thirty years old when he began to reign, *and* he reigned forty years.
5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he
reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.
6 ¶ And the king and his men went to Jerusalem unto the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the
land: which spake unto David, saying, Except thou take away the blind and the lame, thou
shalt not come in hither: thinking, David cannot come in hither.*
7 Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same *is* the city of David.
8 And David said on that day, Whosoever getteth up to the gutter, and smiteth the
Jebusites, and the lame and the blind, *that are* hated of David's soul, *he shall be chief and
captain*. Wherefore they said, The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.†
9 So David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David. And David built round about
from Millo and inward.
10 And David went on, and grew great, and the LORD God of hosts *was* with him.‡
11 ¶ And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees, and carpenters,
and masons: and they built David an house.§

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* **4:2** other: Heb. second † **4:4** Mephibosheth: or, Merib-baal ‡ **4:10** thinking...: Heb. he was in his own eyes as a bringer, etc § **4:10** who...: or, which was the reward I gave him for his tidings * **5:6** thinking...: or, saying David shall not, etc † **5:8** Wherefore...: or, Because they had said, even the blind and the lame, He shall not ‡ **5:10** went...: Heb. went, going and growing § **5:11** masons: Heb. hewers of the stone of the wall

12 And David perceived that the LORD had established him king over Israel, and that he
had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake.
13 ¶ And David took *him* more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he was come
from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born to David.
14 And these *be* the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shammua, and
Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,
15 Ibhar also, and Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
16 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet.
17 ¶ But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the
Philistines came up to seek David; and David heard *of it*, and went down to the hold.
18 The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
19 And David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt thou
deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto David, Go up: for I will doubtless
deliver the Philistines into thine hand.
20 And David came to Baal-perazim, and David smote them there, and said, The LORD
hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters. Therefore he
called the name of that place Baal-perazim.**
21 And there they left their images, and David and his men burned them.††
22 ¶ And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of
Rephaim.
23 And when David enquired of the LORD, he said, Thou shalt not go up; *but* fetch a
compass behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.
24 And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees,
that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the LORD go out before thee, to smite the
host of the Philistines.
25 And David did so, as the LORD had commanded him; and smote the Philistines from
Geba until thou come to Gazer.‡‡

6

1 Again, David gathered together all *the* chosen *men* of Israel, thirty thousand.
2 And David arose, and went with all the people that *were* with him from Baale of Judah,
to bring up from thence the ark of God, whose name is called by the name of the LORD of
hosts that dwelleth *between* the cherubims.*†
3 And they set the ark of God upon a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab
that *was* in Gibeah: and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drave the new cart.‡§
4 And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab which *was* at Gibeah, accompanying
the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark.**
5 And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD on all manner of
instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on
cornets, and on cymbals.
6 ¶ And when they came to Nachon's threshingfloor, Uzzah put forth *his hand* to the ark
of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen shook *it*.††‡‡
7 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah; and God smote him there for *his*
error; and there he died by the ark of God.§§
8 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzzah: and he
called the name of the place Perez-uzzah to this day.***†††
9 And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and said, How shall the ark of the LORD
come to me?
10 So David would not remove the ark of the LORD unto him into the city of David: but
David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.
11 And the ark of the LORD continued in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months:
and the LORD blessed Obed-edom, and all his household.
12 ¶ And it was told king David, saying, The LORD hath blessed the house of Obed-edom,
and all that *pertaineth* unto him, because of the ark of God. So David went and brought up
the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.

** **5:20** Baal-perazim: that is, the plain of breaches †† **5:21** burned...: or, took them away ‡‡ **5:25** Geba: also called, Gibeon * **6:2** Baale: or, Baalah, that is, Kirjath-jearim † **6:2** whose name...: or, at which the name, even the name of the LORD of hosts, was called upon ‡ **6:3** set: Heb. made to ride § **6:3** Gibeah: or, the hill ** **6:4** accompanying: Heb. with †† **6:6** Nachon: also called Chidon ‡‡ **6:6** shook it: or, stumbled §§ **6:7** error: or, rashness *** **6:8** made: Heb. broken ††† **6:8** Perez-uzzah: that is, the breach of Uzzah

13 And it was *so*, that when they that bare the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he
sacrificed oxen and fatlings.
14 And David danced before the LORD with all *his* might; and David *was* girded with a
linen ephod.
15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and
with the sound of the trumpet.
16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked
through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she
despised him in her heart.
17 ¶ And they brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in his place, in the midst of
the tabernacle that David had pitched for it: and David offered burnt offerings and peace
offerings before the LORD.‡‡‡
18 And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt offerings and peace offerings,
he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts.
19 And he dealt among all the people, *even* among the whole multitude of Israel, as well
to the women as men, to every one a cake of bread, and a good piece *of flesh*, and a flagon
of wine. So all the people departed every one to his house.
20 ¶ Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came
out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered
himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows
shamelessly uncovereth himself!§§§
21 And David said unto Michal, *It was* before the LORD, which chose me before thy father,
and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel:
therefore will I play before the LORD.
22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and of the
maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour.*
23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death.

7

1 And it came to pass, when the king sat in his house, and the LORD had given him rest
round about from all his enemies;
2 That the king said unto Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in an house of cedar, but
the ark of God dwelleth within curtains.
3 And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that *is* in thine heart; for the LORD *is* with thee.
4 ¶ And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan, saying,
5 Go and tell my servant David, Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou build me an house for
me to dwell in?*
6 Whereas I have not dwelt in *any* house since the time that I brought up the children of
Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle.
7 In all *the places* wherein I have walked with all the children of Israel spake I a word
with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, Why
build ye not me an house of cedar?†
8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over
Israel:‡
9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out
of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great *men* that *are*
in the earth.§
10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may
dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness
afflict them any more, as beforetime,
11 And as since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over my people Israel, and have
caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make
thee an house.
12 ¶ And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy
seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

‡‡‡ **6:17** pitched: Heb. stretched §§§ **6:20** shamelessly: or, openly * **6:22** of the...: or, of the handmaids of my servants * **7:5** my servant...: Heb. to my servant, to David † **7:7** any of...: any of the judges ‡ **7:8** from following: Heb. from after § **7:9** out of...: Heb. from thy face

13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for
ever.
14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him
with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:
15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took *it* from Saul, whom I put away
before thee.
16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne
shall be established for ever.
17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto
David.
18 ¶ Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, Who *am* I, O Lord
GOD? and what *is* my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?
19 And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD; but thou hast spoken also of thy
servant's house for a great while to come. And *is* this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?**
20 And what can David say more unto thee? for thou, Lord GOD, knowest thy servant.
21 For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all these great
things, to make thy servant know *them*.
22 Wherefore thou art great, O LORD God: for *there is* none like thee, neither *is there any*
God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
23 And what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people, *even* like Israel, whom God went
to redeem for a people to himself, and to make him a name, and to do for you great things
and terrible, for thy land, before thy people, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt,
from the nations and their gods?
24 For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel *to be* a people unto thee for ever:
and thou, LORD, art become their God.
25 And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and
concerning his house, establish *it* for ever, and do as thou hast said.
26 And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts *is* the God over
Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.
27 For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, hast revealed to thy servant, saying, I will
build thee an house: therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto
thee.††
28 And now, O Lord GOD, thou *art* that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast
promised this goodness unto thy servant:
29 Therefore now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue
for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken *it:* and with thy blessing let the
house of thy servant be blessed for ever.‡‡

8

1 And after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them: and
David took Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.*
2 And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground;
even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive. And
so the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.
3 ¶ David smote also Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to recover
his border at the river Euphrates.†
4 And David took from him a thousand *chariots*, and seven hundred horsemen, and
twenty thousand footmen: and David houghed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them
for an hundred chariots.‡
5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour Hadadezer king of Zobah, David
slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.
6 Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus: and the Syrians became servants to
David, *and* brought gifts. And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.
7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought
them to Jerusalem.
8 And from Betah, and from Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David took exceeding
much brass.
9 ¶ When Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadadezer,

** **7:19** manner: Heb. law †† **7:27** revealed: Heb. opened the ear ‡‡ **7:29** let it...: Heb. be thou pleased and bless
* **8:1** Metheg-ammah: or, the bridle of Ammah † **8:3** Hadadezer: or, Hadarezer ‡ **8:4** from...: or, of his chariots

10 Then Toi sent Joram his son unto king David, to salute him, and to bless him, because
he had fought against Hadadezer, and smitten him: for Hadadezer had wars with Toi. And
Joram brought with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass:§**††‡‡
11 Which also king David did dedicate unto the LORD, with the silver and gold that he
had dedicated of all nations which he subdued;
12 Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of
Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer, son of Rehob, king of Zobah.
13 And David gat *him* a name when he returned from smiting of the Syrians in the valley
of salt, *being* eighteen thousand *men*.§§
14 ¶ And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons, and all they of
Edom became David's servants. And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.
15 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment and justice unto all
his people.
16 And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was*
recorder;***
17 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and
Seraiah *was* the scribe;†††
18 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was over* both the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and
David's sons were chief rulers.‡‡‡

9

1 And David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him
kindness for Jonathan's sake?
2 And *there was* of the house of Saul a servant whose name *was* Ziba. And when they had
called him unto David, the king said unto him, *Art* thou Ziba? And he said, Thy servant *is
he*.
3 And the king said, *Is* there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the kindness
of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, *which is* lame on
his feet.
4 And the king said unto him, Where *is* he? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he *is* in
the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in Lo-debar.
5 ¶ Then king David sent, and fetched him out of the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel,
from Lo-debar.
6 Now when Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, was come unto David,
he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered,
Behold thy servant!*
7 ¶ And David said unto him, Fear not: for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan
thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat
bread at my table continually.
8 And he bowed himself, and said, What *is* thy servant, that thou shouldest look upon
such a dead dog as I *am*?
9 ¶ Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, I have given unto thy
master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house.
10 Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou
shalt bring in *the fruits*, that thy master's son may have food to eat: but Mephibosheth
thy master's son shall eat bread alway at my table. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty
servants.
11 Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded
his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, *said the king*, he shall eat at my
table, as one of the king's sons.
12 And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name *was* Micha. And all that dwelt in the
house of Ziba *were* servants unto Mephibosheth.
13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually at the king's table; and
was lame on both his feet.

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§ **8:10** Joram: also called, Hadoram ** **8:10** salute...: Heb. ask him of peace †† **8:10** had wars...: Heb. was a man of wars with ‡‡ **8:10** brought...: Heb. in his hand were §§ **8:13** smiting: Heb. his smiting *** **8:16** recorder: or, remembrancer, or, writer of chronicles ††† **8:17** scribe: or, secretary ‡‡‡ **8:18** chief rulers: or, princes * **9:6** Mephibosheth: also called Merib-baal

10

1 And it came to pass after this, that the king of the children of Ammon died, and Hanun
his son reigned in his stead.
2 Then said David, I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, as his father
shewed kindness unto me. And David sent to comfort him by the hand of his servants for
his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.
3 And the princes of the children of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord, Thinkest thou
that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? hath not David
rather sent his servants unto thee, to search the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it?*
4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one half of their beards,
and cut off their garments in the middle, *even* to their buttocks, and sent them away.
5 When they told *it* unto David, he sent to meet them, because the men were greatly
ashamed: and the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and *then* return.
6 ¶ And when the children of Ammon saw that they stank before David, the children
of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Beth-rehob, and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty
thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a thousand men, and of Ish-tob twelve thousand
men.†
7 And when David heard of *it*, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men.
8 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entering in of the
gate: and the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob, and Ish-tob, and Maacah, *were* by themselves
in the field.
9 When Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before and behind, he chose
of all the choice *men* of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians:
10 And the rest of the people he delivered into the hand of Abishai his brother, that he
might put *them* in array against the children of Ammon.
11 And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the
children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will come and help thee.
12 Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and for the cities of our
God: and the LORD do that which seemeth him good.
13 And Joab drew nigh, and the people that *were* with him, unto the battle against the
Syrians: and they fled before him.
14 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, then fled they also
before Abishai, and entered into the city. So Joab returned from the children of Ammon,
and came to Jerusalem.
15 ¶ And when the Syrians saw that they were smitten before Israel, they gathered
themselves together.
16 And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that *were* beyond the river: and they
came to Helam; and Shobach the captain of the host of Hadarezer *went* before them.‡§
17 And when it was told David, he gathered all Israel together, and passed over Jordan,
and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against David, and fought
with him.
18 And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew *the men of* seven hundred chariots
of the Syrians, and forty thousand horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host,
who died there.**
19 And when all the kings *that were* servants to Hadarezer saw that they were smitten
before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and served them. So the Syrians feared to help
the children of Ammon any more.

11

1 And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth *to
battle*, that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed
the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.*
2 ¶ And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked
upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and
the woman *was* very beautiful to look upon.
3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And *one* said, *Is* not this Bath-sheba, the
daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?†‡

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* **10:3** Thinkest...: Heb. In thine eyes doth David † **10:6** Ish-tob: or, the men of Tob ‡ **10:16** the river: that is, Euphrates § **10:16** Shobach: or, Shophach ** **10:18** horsemen: also called, footmen * **11:1** after...: Heb. at the return of the year, or, in the spring † **11:3** Bath-sheba: or, Bath-shuah ‡ **11:3** Eliam: or Ammiel

4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with
her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.§
5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I *am* with child.
6 ¶ And David sent to Joab, *saying*, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to
David.
7 And when Uriah was come unto him, David demanded *of him* how Joab did, and how
the people did, and how the war prospered.**
8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet. And Uriah departed
out of the king's house, and there followed him a mess *of meat* from the king.††
9 But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went
not down to his house.
10 And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David
said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from *thy* journey? why *then* didst thou not go down unto
thine house?
11 And Uriah said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents; and my lord
Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into mine
house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? *as* thou livest, and *as* thy soul liveth, I
will not do this thing.
12 And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart.
So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow.
13 And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him
drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not
down to his house.
14 ¶ And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent *it* by
the hand of Uriah.
15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and
retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.‡‡§§
16 And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah unto a place
where he knew that valiant men *were*.
17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell *some* of the
people of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also.
18 ¶ Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;
19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters
of the war unto the king,
20 And if so be that the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached
ye so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot from the
wall?
21 Who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a
millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall?
then say thou, Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.***
22 ¶ So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab had sent him for.
23 And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came
out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the entering of the gate.
24 And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and *some* of the king's
servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.
25 Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say unto Joab, Let not this thing
displease thee, for the sword devoureth one as well as another: make thy battle more
strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage thou him.†††‡‡‡
26 ¶ And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned
for her husband.
27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she
became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the
LORD.§§§

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§ **11:4** for she...: or, and when she had purified herself, etc, she returned ** **11:7** how Joab...: Heb. of the peace of, etc †† **11:8** followed...: Heb. went out after him ‡‡ **11:15** hottest: Heb. strong §§ **11:15** from him: Heb. from after him *** **11:21** Jerubbesheth: also called, Jerubbaal ††† **11:25** displease...: Heb. be evil in thine eyes ‡‡‡ **11:25** one...: Heb. so and such §§§ **11:27** displeased: Heb. was evil in the eyes of

12

1 And the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him,
There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.
2 The rich *man* had exceeding many flocks and herds:
3 But the poor *man* had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and
nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own
meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.*
4 And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock
and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the
poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him.
5 And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, *As* the
LORD liveth, the man that hath done this *thing* shall surely die:†
6 And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had
no pity.
7 ¶ And Nathan said to David, Thou *art* the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I
anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;
8 And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave
thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if *that had been* too little, I would moreover have
given unto thee such and such things.
9 Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in his sight?
thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife *to be* thy wife, and
hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.
10 Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast
despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.
11 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house,
and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give *them* unto thy neighbour, and he shall
lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.
12 For thou didst *it* secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.
13 And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said unto
David, The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.
14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the
LORD to blaspheme, the child also *that is* born unto thee shall surely die.
15 ¶ And Nathan departed unto his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's
wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.
16 David therefore besought God for the child; and David fasted, and went in, and lay all
night upon the earth.‡
17 And the elders of his house arose, *and went* to him, to raise him up from the earth: but
he would not, neither did he eat bread with them.
18 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David
feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, Behold, while the child was yet
alive, we spake unto him, and he would not hearken unto our voice: how will he then vex
himself, if we tell him that the child is dead?§
19 But when David saw that his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was
dead: therefore David said unto his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.
20 Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed *himself*, and changed his
apparel, and came into the house of the LORD, and worshipped: then he came to his own
house; and when he required, they set bread before him, and he did eat.
21 Then said his servants unto him, What thing *is* this that thou hast done? thou didst fast
and weep for the child, *while it was* alive; but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and
eat bread.
22 And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, Who can tell
whether GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?
23 But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to
him, but he shall not return to me.
24 ¶ And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her:
and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.
25 And he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his name Jedidiah,
because of the LORD.**

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* **12:3** meat: Heb. morsel † **12:5** shall...: or, is worthy to die, or, is a son of death ‡ **12:16** fasted: Heb. fasted a fast
§ **12:18** vex: Heb. do hurt ** **12:25** Jedidiah: that is, Beloved of the LORD

26 ¶ And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.
27 And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah, and have
taken the city of waters.
28 Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encamp against the city, and
take it: lest I take the city, and it be called after my name.††
29 And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it,
and took it.
30 And he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight whereof *was* a talent of
gold with the precious stones: and it was *set* on David's head. And he brought forth the
spoil of the city in great abundance.‡‡
31 And he brought forth the people that *were* therein, and put *them* under saws, and
under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brickkiln:
and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people
returned unto Jerusalem.

13

1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose
name *was* Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.
2 And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she *was* a virgin; and
Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.*
3 But Amnon had a friend, whose name *was* Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother:
and Jonadab *was* a very subtil man.
4 And he said unto him, Why *art* thou, *being* the king's son, lean from day to day? wilt
thou not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.†‡
5 And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when
thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give
me meat, and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see *it*, and eat *it* at her hand.
6 ¶ So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him,
Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of
cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.
7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and
dress him meat.
8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took
flour, and kneaded *it*, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes.§
9 And she took a pan, and poured *them* out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon
said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him.
10 And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine
hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought *them* into the chamber
to Amnon her brother.
11 And when she had brought *them* unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her,
Come lie with me, my sister.
12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not force me; for no such thing ought to
be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.**††
13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of
the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold
me from thee.
14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced
her, and lay with her.
15 ¶ Then Amnon hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her *was*
greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be
gone.‡‡
16 And she said unto him, *There is* no cause: this evil in sending me away *is* greater than
the other that thou didst unto me. But he would not hearken unto her.
17 Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, Put now this *woman* out
from me, and bolt the door after her.

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†† **12:28** it be called...: Heb. my name be called upon it ‡‡ **12:30** in great...: Heb. very great * **13:2** Amnon thought...: Heb. it was marvellous, or, hidden in the eyes of Amnon † **13:4** lean: Heb. thin ‡ **13:4** from day...: Heb. morning by morning § **13:8** flour: or, paste ** **13:12** force...: Heb. humble me †† **13:12** no such...: Heb. it ought not so to be done ‡‡ **13:15** exceedingly: Heb. with great hatred greatly

18 And *she had* a garment of divers colours upon her: for with such robes were the king's
daughters *that were* virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the
door after her.
19 ¶ And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that *was*
on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.
20 And Absalom her brother said unto her, Hath Amnon thy brother been with thee? but
hold now thy peace, my sister: he *is* thy brother; regard not this thing. So Tamar remained
desolate in her brother Absalom's house.§§***†††
21 ¶ But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.
22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated
Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.
23 ¶ And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal-
hazor, which *is* beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons.
24 And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, thy servant hath sheepshearers;
let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go with thy servant.
25 And the king said to Absalom, Nay, my son, let us not all now go, lest we be chargeable
unto thee. And he pressed him: howbeit he would not go, but blessed him.
26 Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king
said unto him, Why should he go with thee?
27 But Absalom pressed him, that he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him.
28 ¶ Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's
heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then kill him, fear not:
have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant.‡‡‡§§§
29 And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all
the king's sons arose, and every man gat him up upon his mule, and fled.*
30 ¶ And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings came to David, saying,
Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left.
31 Then the king arose, and tare his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants
stood by with their clothes rent.
32 And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord
suppose *that* they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: for
by the appointment of Absalom this hath been determined from the day that he forced his
sister Tamar.†‡
33 Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the
king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead.
34 But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and
looked, and, behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behind him.
35 And Jonadab said unto the king, Behold, the king's sons come: as thy servant said, so
it is.§
36 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that, behold, the king's
sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept: and the king also and all his servants wept
very sore.**
37 ¶ But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of Ammihud, king of Geshur. And
David mourned for his son every day.††
38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.
39 And *the soul of* king David longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was comforted
concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.‡‡

14

1 Now Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart *was* toward Absalom.
2 And Joab sent to Tekoah, and fetched thence a wise woman, and said unto her, I pray
thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on now mourning apparel, and anoint not
thyself with oil, but be as a woman that had a long time mourned for the dead:
3 And come to the king, and speak on this manner unto him. So Joab put the words in her
mouth.

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§§ **13:20** Amnon: Heb. Aminon *** **13:20** regard...: Heb. set not thy heart ††† **13:20** desolate: Heb. and desolate ‡‡‡ **13:28** have...: or, will you not, since I have commanded you? §§§ **13:28** valiant: Heb. sons of valour * **13:29** gat...: Heb. rode † **13:32** appointment: Heb. mouth ‡ **13:32** determined: or, settled § **13:35** as thy...: Heb. according to the word of thy servant ** **13:36** very...: Heb. with a great weeping greatly †† **13:37** Ammihud: or, Ammihur ‡‡ **13:39** longed: or, was consumed

4 ¶ And when the woman of Tekoah spake to the king, she fell on her face to the ground,
and did obeisance, and said, Help, O king.*
5 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, I *am* indeed a widow
woman, and mine husband is dead.
6 And thy handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and *there*
was none to part them, but the one smote the other, and slew him.†
7 And, behold, the whole family is risen against thine handmaid, and they said, Deliver
him that smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the life of his brother whom he slew;
and we will destroy the heir also: and so they shall quench my coal which is left, and shall
not leave to my husband *neither* name nor remainder upon the earth.‡
8 And the king said unto the woman, Go to thine house, and I will give charge concerning
thee.
9 And the woman of Tekoah said unto the king, My lord, O king, the iniquity *be* on me,
and on my father's house: and the king and his throne *be* guiltless.
10 And the king said, Whosoever saith *ought* unto thee, bring him to me, and he shall not
touch thee any more.
11 Then said she, I pray thee, let the king remember the LORD thy God, that thou wouldest
not suffer the revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said,
As the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth.§
12 Then the woman said, Let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak *one* word unto my lord
the king. And he said, Say on.
13 And the woman said, Wherefore then hast thou thought such a thing against the people
of God? for the king doth speak this thing as one which is faulty, in that the king doth not
fetch home again his banished.
14 For we must needs die, and *are* as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered
up again; neither doth God respect *any* person: yet doth he devise means, that his banished
be not expelled from him.**
15 Now therefore that I am come to speak of this thing unto my lord the king, *it is* because
the people have made me afraid: and thy handmaid said, I will now speak unto the king;
it may be that the king will perform the request of his handmaid.
16 For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the hand of the man *that would*
destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God.
17 Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now be comfortable:
for as an angel of God, so *is* my lord the king to discern good and bad: therefore the LORD
thy God will be with thee.††‡‡
18 Then the king answered and said unto the woman, Hide not from me, I pray thee, the
thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said, Let my lord the king now speak.
19 And the king said, *Is not* the hand of Joab with thee in all this? And the woman
answered and said, *As* thy soul liveth, my lord the king, none can turn to the right hand
or to the left from ought that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade
me, and he put all these words in the mouth of thine handmaid:
20 To fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and my lord
is wise, according to the wisdom of an angel of God, to know all *things* that *are* in the earth.
21 ¶ And the king said unto Joab, Behold now, I have done this thing: go therefore, bring
the young man Absalom again.
22 And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and bowed himself, and thanked the king: and
Joab said, To day thy servant knoweth that I have found grace in thy sight, my lord, O king,
in that the king hath fulfilled the request of his servant.§§***
23 So Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem.
24 And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him not see my face. So
Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face.
25 ¶ But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty:
from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.†††

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* **14:4** Help: Heb. Save † **14:6** none...: Heb. no deliverer between them ‡ **14:7** upon...: Heb. upon the face of the earth § **14:11** that...: Heb. that the revenger of blood do not multiply to destroy ** **14:14** neither...: or, because God hath not taken away his life, he hath also devised means, etc †† **14:17** comfortable: Heb. for rest ‡‡ **14:17** to discern: Heb. to hear §§ **14:22** thanked: Heb. blessed *** **14:22** his servant: or, thy servant ††† **14:25** But...: Heb. And as Absalom there was not a beautiful man in all Israel to praise greatly

26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled *it:* because
the hair was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two
hundred shekels after the king's weight.
27 And unto Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name *was*
Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance.
28 ¶ So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, and saw not the king's face.
29 Therefore Absalom sent for Joab, to have sent him to the king; but he would not come
to him: and when he sent again the second time, he would not come.
30 Therefore he said unto his servants, See, Joab's field is near mine, and he hath barley
there; go and set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the field on fire.‡‡‡
31 Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto *his* house, and said unto him, Wherefore
have thy servants set my field on fire?
32 And Absalom answered Joab, Behold, I sent unto thee, saying, Come hither, that I may
send thee to the king, to say, Wherefore am I come from Geshur? *it had been* good for me *to*
have been there still: now therefore let me see the king's face; and if there be *any* iniquity
in me, let him kill me.
33 So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, he came
to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king: and the king
kissed Absalom.

15

1 And it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him chariots and horses, and fifty
men to run before him.
2 And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was *so*, that
when any man that had a controversy came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called
unto him, and said, Of what city *art* thou? And he said, Thy servant *is* of one of the tribes
of Israel.*
3 And Absalom said unto him, See, thy matters *are* good and right; but *there is* no man
deputed of the king to hear thee.†
4 Absalom said moreover, Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man which
hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice!
5 And it was *so*, that when any man came nigh *to him* to do him obeisance, he put forth
his hand, and took him, and kissed him.
6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: so
Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.
7 ¶ And it came to pass after forty years, that Absalom said unto the king, I pray thee, let
me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed unto the LORD, in Hebron.
8 For thy servant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, If the LORD shall
bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I will serve the LORD.
9 And the king said unto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and went to Hebron.
10 ¶ But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear
the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.
11 And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, *that were* called; and they
went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.
12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counsellor, from his city, *even*
from Giloh, while he offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people
increased continually with Absalom.
13 ¶ And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are
after Absalom.
14 And David said unto all his servants that *were* with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us
flee; for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us
suddenly, and bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.‡
15 And the king's servants said unto the king, Behold, thy servants *are ready to do*
whatsoever my lord the king shall appoint.§
16 And the king went forth, and all his household after him. And the king left ten women,
which were concubines, to keep the house.**
17 And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and tarried in a place that was
far off.

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‡‡‡ **14:30** near...: Heb. near my place * **15:2** came: Heb. to come † **15:3** there...: or, none will hear thee from the king downward ‡ **15:14** bring: Heb. thrust § **15:15** appoint: Heb. choose ** **15:16** after...: Heb. at his feet

18 And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the
Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men which came after him from Gath, passed
on before the king.
19 ¶ Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore goest thou also with us? return to
thy place, and abide with the king: for thou *art* a stranger, and also an exile.
20 Whereas thou camest *but* yesterday, should I this day make thee go up and down with
us? seeing I go whither I may, return thou, and take back thy brethren: mercy and truth *be*
with thee.[††]
21 And Ittai answered the king, and said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* my lord the king
liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there
also will thy servant be.
22 And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his
men, and all the little ones that *were* with him.
23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king
also himself passed over the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over, toward the way
of the wilderness.[‡‡]
24 ¶ And lo Zadok also, and all the Levites *were* with him, bearing the ark of the covenant
of God: and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had
done passing out of the city.
25 And the king said unto Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the city: if I shall find
favour in the eyes of the LORD, he will bring me again, and shew me *both* it, and his
habitation:
26 But if he thus say, I have no delight in thee; behold, *here am* I, let him do to me as
seemeth good unto him.
27 The king said also unto Zadok the priest, *Art not* thou a seer? return into the city in
peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.
28 See, I will tarry in the plain of the wilderness, until there come word from you to certify
me.
29 Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to Jerusalem: and they
tarried there.
30 ¶ And David went up by the ascent of *mount* Olivet, and wept as he went up, and had his
head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the people that *was* with him covered every
man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up.[§§]
31 ¶ And *one* told David, saying, Ahithophel *is* among the conspirators with Absalom. And
David said, O LORD, I pray thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.
32 ¶ And it came to pass, that *when* David was come to the top *of the mount*, where he
worshipped God, behold, Hushai the Archite came to meet him with his coat rent, and earth
upon his head:
33 Unto whom David said, If thou passest on with me, then thou shalt be a burden unto
me:
34 But if thou return to the city, and say unto Absalom, I will be thy servant, O king; *as* I
have been thy father's servant hitherto, so *will* I now also *be* thy servant: then mayest thou
for me defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.
35 And *hast thou* not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall
be, *that* what thing soever thou shalt hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell *it* to Zadok
and Abiathar the priests.
36 Behold, *they have* there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's *son*, and Jonathan
Abiathar's *son;* and by them ye shall send unto me every thing that ye can hear.
37 So Hushai David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Jerusalem.

16

1 And when David was a little past the top *of the hill*, behold, Ziba the servant of
Mephibosheth met him, with a couple of asses saddled, and upon them two hundred *loaves*
of bread, and an hundred bunches of raisins, and an hundred of summer fruits, and a
bottle of wine.
2 And the king said unto Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba said, The asses *be*
for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to
eat; and the wine, that such as be faint in the wilderness may drink.

[††] **15:20** go up...: Heb. wander in going [‡‡] **15:23** Kidron: Gr. Cedron [§§] **15:30** and wept...: Heb. going up and weeping

3 And the king said, And where *is* thy master's son? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold,
he abideth at Jerusalem: for he said, To day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom
of my father.
4 Then said the king to Ziba, Behold, thine *are* all that *pertained* unto Mephibosheth. And
Ziba said, I humbly beseech thee *that* I may find grace in thy sight, my lord, O king.*
5 ¶ And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family
of the house of Saul, whose name *was* Shimei, the son of Gera: he came forth, and cursed
still as he came.†
6 And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and
all the mighty men *were* on his right hand and on his left.
7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou bloody man, and thou
man of Belial:‡
8 The LORD hath returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead
thou hast reigned; and the LORD hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom thy
son: and, behold, thou *art taken* in thy mischief, because thou *art* a bloody man.§
9 ¶ Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, Why should this dead dog curse
my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head.
10 And the king said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah? so let him curse,
because the LORD hath said unto him, Curse David. Who shall then say, Wherefore hast
thou done so?
11 And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, which came forth of
my bowels, seeketh my life: how much more now *may this* Benjamite *do it*? let him alone,
and let him curse; for the LORD hath bidden him.
12 It may be that the LORD will look on mine affliction, and that the LORD will requite me
good for his cursing this day.**
13 And as David and his men went by the way, Shimei went along on the hill's side over
against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and cast dust.††
14 And the king, and all the people that *were* with him, came weary, and refreshed
themselves there.
15 ¶ And Absalom, and all the people the men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and
Ahithophel with him.
16 And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David's friend, was come unto Absalom,
that Hushai said unto Absalom, God save the king, God save the king.‡‡
17 And Absalom said to Hushai, *Is* this thy kindness to thy friend? why wentest thou not
with thy friend?
18 And Hushai said unto Absalom, Nay; but whom the LORD, and this people, and all the
men of Israel, choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.
19 And again, whom should I serve? *should I* not *serve* in the presence of his son? as I
have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence.
20 ¶ Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give counsel among you what we shall do.
21 And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he hath
left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then
shall the hands of all that *are* with thee be strong.
22 So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto
his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.
23 And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days, *was* as if a man had
enquired at the oracle of God: so *was* all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and
with Absalom.§§

17

1 Moreover Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Let me now choose out twelve thousand men,
and I will arise and pursue after David this night:
2 And I will come upon him while he *is* weary and weak handed, and will make him
afraid: and all the people that *are* with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only:
3 And I will bring back all the people unto thee: the man whom thou seekest *is* as if all
returned: *so* all the people shall be in peace.
4 And the saying pleased Absalom well, and all the elders of Israel.*

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* **16:4** I humbly...: Heb. I do obeisance † **16:5** he came forth...: or, he still came forth and cursed ‡ **16:7** bloody...: Heb. man of blood § **16:8** behold...: Heb. behold thee in thy evil ** **16:12** affliction: or, tears: Heb. eye †† **16:13** cast...: Heb. dusted him with dust ‡‡ **16:16** God...: Heb. Let the king live §§ **16:23** oracle: Heb. word * **17:4** pleased...: Heb. was right in the eyes of, etc

5 Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear likewise what he
saith.†
6 And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spake unto him, saying, Ahithophel
hath spoken after this manner: shall we do *after* his saying? if not; speak thou.‡
7 And Hushai said unto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath given *is* not good at
this time.§
8 For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father and his men, that they *be* mighty men, and
they *be* chafed in their minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field: and thy father *is*
a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.**
9 Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some *other* place: and it will come to pass, when
some of them be overthrown at the first, that whosoever heareth it will say, There is a
slaughter among the people that follow Absalom.††
10 And he also *that is* valiant, whose heart *is* as the heart of a lion, shall utterly melt: for
all Israel knoweth that thy father *is* a mighty man, and *they* which *be* with him *are* valiant
men.
11 Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally gathered unto thee, from Dan even to
Beer-sheba, as the sand that *is* by the sea for multitude; and that thou go to battle in thine
own person.‡‡
12 So shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light
upon him as the dew falleth on the ground: and of him and of all the men that *are* with him
there shall not be left so much as one.
13 Moreover, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we
will draw it into the river, until there be not one small stone found there.
14 And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of Hushai the Archite *is* better
than the counsel of Ahithophel. For the LORD had appointed to defeat the good counsel of
Ahithophel, to the intent that the LORD might bring evil upon Absalom.§§
15 ¶ Then said Hushai unto Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus and thus did
Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.
16 Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, Lodge not this night in the plains
of the wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people
that *are* with him.
17 Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by En-rogel; for they might not be seen to come
into the city: and a wench went and told them; and they went and told king David.
18 Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told Absalom: but they went both of them away
quickly, and came to a man's house in Bahurim, which had a well in his court; whither
they went down.
19 And the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground
corn thereon; and the thing was not known.
20 And when Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house, they said, Where *is*
Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said unto them, They be gone over the brook of
water. And when they had sought and could not find *them*, they returned to Jerusalem.
21 And it came to pass, after they were departed, that they came up out of the well, and
went and told king David, and said unto David, Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for
thus hath Ahithophel counselled against you.
22 Then David arose, and all the people that *were* with him, and they passed over Jordan:
by the morning light there lacked not one of them that was not gone over Jordan.
23 ¶ And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled *his* ass, and
arose, and gat him home to his house, to his city, and put his household in order, and hanged
himself, and died, and was buried in the sepulchre of his father.***†††
24 Then David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over Jordan, he and all the men
of Israel with him.
25 ¶ And Absalom made Amasa captain of the host instead of Joab: which Amasa *was*
a man's son, whose name *was* Ithra an Israelite, that went in to Abigail the daughter of
Nahash, sister to Zeruiah Joab's mother.‡‡‡§§§*
26 So Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead.

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† **17:5** what...: Heb. what is in his mouth ‡ **17:6** his saying: Heb. his word § **17:7** given: Heb. counselled ** **17:8** chafed...: Heb. bitter of soul †† **17:9** overthrown: Heb. fallen ‡‡ **17:11** that thou...: Heb. that thy face, or, presence go, etc §§ **17:14** appointed: Heb. commanded *** **17:23** followed: Heb. done ††† **17:23** put his...: Heb. gave charge concerning his house ‡‡‡ **17:25** Ithra an Israelite: or, Jether an Ishmaelite §§§ **17:25** Abigail: Heb. Abigal * **17:25** Nahash: or, Jesse

27 ¶ And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of
Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar,
and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,
28 Brought beds, and basons, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and
parched *corn*, and beans, and lentiles, and parched *pulse*,†
29 And honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of kine, for David, and for the people
that *were* with him, to eat: for they said, The people *is* hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in
the wilderness.

18

1 And David numbered the people that *were* with him, and set captains of thousands and
captains of hundreds over them.
2 And David sent forth a third part of the people under the hand of Joab, and a third part
under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, and a third part under the
hand of Ittai the Gittite. And the king said unto the people, I will surely go forth with you
myself also.
3 But the people answered, Thou shalt not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not care
for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us: but now *thou art* worth ten thousand
of us: therefore now *it is* better that thou succour us out of the city.*†‡
4 And the king said unto them, What seemeth you best I will do. And the king stood by
the gate side, and all the people came out by hundreds and by thousands.
5 And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, *Deal* gently for my sake
with the young man, *even* with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all
the captains charge concerning Absalom.
6 ¶ So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the wood of
Ephraim;
7 Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and there was there
a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand *men*.
8 For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and the wood
devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.§
9 ¶ And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the
mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and
he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that *was* under him went
away.
10 And a certain man saw *it*, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an
oak.
11 And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou sawest *him*, and why didst
thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten *shekels* of silver,
and a girdle.
12 And the man said unto Joab, Though I should receive a thousand *shekels* of silver in
mine hand, *yet* would I not put forth mine hand against the king's son: for in our hearing
the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, Beware that none *touch* the young man
Absalom.**††
13 Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no
matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against *me*.
14 Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he took three darts in his hand,
and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he *was* yet alive in the midst of the
oak.‡‡§§
15 And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom,
and slew him.
16 And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing after Israel: for
Joab held back the people.
17 And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and laid a very great
heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.
18 ¶ Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself a pillar, which *is* in
the king's dale: for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called
the pillar after his own name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's place.

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† **17:28** basons: or, cups * **18:3** care...: Heb. set their heart on us † **18:3** worth...: Heb. as ten thousand of us ‡ **18:3** succour: Heb. be to succour or help § **18:8** devoured: Heb. multiplied to devour ** **18:12** receive: Heb. weigh upon mine hand †† **18:12** Beware...: Heb. Beware whosoever ye be of, etc ‡‡ **18:14** with...: Heb. before thee §§ **18:14** midst: Heb. heart

19 ¶ Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and bear the king tidings, how
that the LORD hath avenged him of his enemies.***
20 And Joab said unto him, Thou shalt not bear tidings this day, but thou shalt bear tidings
another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead.†††
21 Then said Joab to Cushi, Go tell the king what thou hast seen. And Cushi bowed himself
unto Joab, and ran.
22 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, But howsoever, let me, I pray
thee, also run after Cushi. And Joab said, Wherefore wilt thou run, my son, seeing that
thou hast no tidings ready?‡‡‡§§§
23 But howsoever, *said he*, let me run. And he said unto him, Run. Then Ahimaaz ran by
the way of the plain, and overran Cushi.
24 And David sat between the two gates: and the watchman went up to the roof over the
gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man running alone.
25 And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he *be* alone, *there is*
tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near.
26 And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman called unto the
porter, and said, Behold *another* man running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth
tidings.
27 And the watchman said, Me thinketh the running of the foremost is like the running
of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He *is* a good man, and cometh with good
tidings.*
28 And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, All is well. And he fell down to the earth
upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed *be* the LORD thy God, which hath delivered
up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king.†‡
29 And the king said, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz answered, When
Joab sent the king's servant, and *me* thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what
it was.§
30 And the king said *unto him*, Turn aside, *and* stand here. And he turned aside, and stood
still.
31 And, behold, Cushi came; and Cushi said, Tidings, my lord the king: for the LORD hath
avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee.**
32 And the king said unto Cushi, Is the young man Absalom safe? And Cushi answered,
The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee to do *thee* hurt, be as *that*
young man *is*.
33 ¶ And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept:
and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I
had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son!

19

1 And it was told Joab, Behold, the king weepeth and mourneth for Absalom.
2 And the victory that day was *turned* into mourning unto all the people: for the people
heard say that day how the king was grieved for his son.*
3 And the people gat them by stealth that day into the city, as people being ashamed steal
away when they flee in battle.
4 But the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, O my son Absalom,
O Absalom, my son, my son!
5 And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, Thou hast shamed this day the faces
of all thy servants, which this day have saved thy life, and the lives of thy sons and of thy
daughters, and the lives of thy wives, and the lives of thy concubines;
6 In that thou lovest thine enemies, and hatest thy friends. For thou hast declared this day,
that thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day I perceive, that if Absalom
had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had pleased thee well.†‡

*** **18:19** avenged...: Heb. judged him from the hand, etc ††† **18:20** bear tidings this: Heb. be a man of tidings, etc ‡‡‡ **18:22** howsoever: Heb. be what may §§§ **18:22** ready: or, convenient * **18:27** Me...: Heb. I see the running † **18:28** All...: or, Peace be to thee: Heb. Peace ‡ **18:28** delivered...: Heb. shut up § **18:29** Is...: Heb. Is there peace? ** **18:31** Tidings: Heb. Tidings is brought * **19:2** victory: Heb. salvation, or, deliverance † **19:6** In...: Heb. By loving, etc ‡ **19:6** that thou regardest...: Heb. that princes or servants are not to thee

7 Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak comfortably unto thy servants: for I swear by
the LORD, if thou go not forth, there will not tarry one with thee this night: and that will be
worse unto thee than all the evil that befell thee from thy youth until now.§
8 Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told unto all the people, saying,
Behold, the king doth sit in the gate. And all the people came before the king: for Israel
had fled every man to his tent.
9 ¶ And all the people were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, The king
saved us out of the hand of our enemies, and he delivered us out of the hand of the
Philistines; and now he is fled out of the land for Absalom.
10 And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now therefore why speak
ye not a word of bringing the king back?**
11 ¶ And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, Speak unto the
elders of Judah, saying, Why are ye the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing the
speech of all Israel is come to the king, *even* to his house.
12 Ye *are* my brethren, ye *are* my bones and my flesh: wherefore then are ye the last to
bring back the king?
13 And say ye to Amasa, *Art* thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? God do so to me, and
more also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab.
14 And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as *the heart of* one man; so that
they sent *this word* unto the king, Return thou, and all thy servants.
15 So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And Judah came to Gilgal, to go to meet the
king, to conduct the king over Jordan.
16 ¶ And Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite, which *was* of Bahurim, hasted and came
down with the men of Judah to meet king David.
17 And *there were* a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the
house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went over
Jordan before the king.
18 And there went over a ferry boat to carry over the king's household, and to do what he
thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, as he was come over
Jordan;††
19 And said unto the king, Let not my lord impute iniquity unto me, neither do thou
remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out
of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart.
20 For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore, behold, I am come the first
this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king.
21 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, Shall not Shimei be put to death for
this, because he cursed the LORD's anointed?
22 And David said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah, that ye should this day
be adversaries unto me? shall there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not
I know that I *am* this day king over Israel?
23 Therefore the king said unto Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king sware unto him.
24 ¶ And Mephibosheth the son of Saul came down to meet the king, and had neither
dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king
departed until the day he came *again* in peace.
25 And it came to pass, when he was come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king
said unto him, Wherefore wentest not thou with me, Mephibosheth?
26 And he answered, My lord, O king, my servant deceived me: for thy servant said, I will
saddle me an ass, that I may ride thereon, and go to the king; because thy servant *is* lame.
27 And he hath slandered thy servant unto my lord the king; but my lord the king *is* as an
angel of God: do therefore *what is* good in thine eyes.
28 For all *of* my father's house were but dead men before my lord the king: yet didst thou
set thy servant among them that did eat at thine own table. What right therefore have I yet
to cry any more unto the king?‡‡
29 And the king said unto him, Why speakest thou any more of thy matters? I have said,
Thou and Ziba divide the land.
30 And Mephibosheth said unto the king, Yea, let him take all, forasmuch as my lord the
king is come again in peace unto his own house.
31 ¶ And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went over Jordan with the
king, to conduct him over Jordan.

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§ **19:7** comfortably...: Heb. to the heart of thy servants ** **19:10** speak...: Heb. are ye silent? †† **19:18** what...: Heb. the good in his eyes ‡‡ **19:28** dead...: Heb. men of death

32 Now Barzillai was a very aged man, *even* fourscore years old: and he had provided the
king of sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim; for he *was* a very great man.
33 And the king said unto Barzillai, Come thou over with me, and I will feed thee with me
in Jerusalem.
34 And Barzillai said unto the king, How long have I to live, that I should go up with the
king unto Jerusalem?§§
35 I *am* this day fourscore years old: *and* can I discern between good and evil? can thy
servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more the voice of singing men and
singing women? wherefore then should thy servant be yet a burden unto my lord the king?
36 Thy servant will go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king
recompense it me with such a reward?
37 Let thy servant, I pray thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, *and be*
buried by the grave of my father and of my mother. But behold thy servant Chimham; let
him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what shall seem good unto thee.
38 And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that
which shall seem good unto thee: and whatsoever thou shalt require of me, *that* will I do
for thee.***
39 And all the people went over Jordan. And when the king was come over, the king kissed
Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned unto his own place.
40 Then the king went on to Gilgal, and Chimham went on with him: and all the people
of Judah conducted the king, and also half the people of Israel.†††
41 ¶ And, behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said unto the king, Why
have our brethren the men of Judah stolen thee away, and have brought the king, and his
household, and all David's men with him, over Jordan?
42 And all the men of Judah answered the men of Israel, Because the king *is* near of kin
to us: wherefore then be ye angry for this matter? have we eaten at all of the king's *cost*?
or hath he given us any gift?
43 And the men of Israel answered the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the
king, and we have also more *right* in David than ye: why then did ye despise us, that our
advice should not be first had in bringing back our king? And the words of the men of
Judah were fiercer than the words of the men of Israel.‡‡‡

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1 And there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name *was* Sheba, the son of
Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew a trumpet, and said, We have no part in David, neither
have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents, O Israel.
2 So every man of Israel went up from after David, *and* followed Sheba the son of Bichri:
but the men of Judah clave unto their king, from Jordan even to Jerusalem.
3 ¶ And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women *his*
concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them in ward, and fed them,
but went not in unto them. So they were shut up unto the day of their death, living in
widowhood.*†‡
4 ¶ Then said the king to Amasa, Assemble me the men of Judah within three days, and
be thou here present.§
5 So Amasa went to assemble *the men of* Judah: but he tarried longer than the set time
which he had appointed him.**
6 And David said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than *did*
Absalom: take thou thy lord's servants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fenced cities,
and escape us.††
7 And there went out after him Joab's men, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and
all the mighty men: and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.
8 When they *were* at the great stone which *is* in Gibeon, Amasa went before them. And
Joab's garment that he had put on was girded unto him, and upon it a girdle *with* a sword
fastened upon his loins in the sheath thereof; and as he went forth it fell out.
9 And Joab said to Amasa, *Art* thou in health, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the
beard with the right hand to kiss him.

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§§ **19:34** How...: Heb. How many days are the years of my life *** **19:38** require: Heb. choose ††† **19:40** Chimham: Heb. Chimhan ‡‡‡ **19:43** despise...: Heb. set us at light * **20:3** ward: Heb. an house of ward † **20:3** shut...: Heb. bound ‡ **20:3** living...: Heb. in widowhood of life § **20:4** Assemble: Heb. Call ** **20:5** Assemble: Heb. Call †† **20:6** escape...: Heb. deliver himself from our eyes

10 But Amasa took no heed to the sword that *was* in Joab's hand: so he smote him
therewith in the fifth *rib*, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and struck him not again;
and he died. So Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.‡‡
11 And one of Joab's men stood by him, and said, He that favoureth Joab, and he that *is*
for David, *let him go* after Joab.
12 And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway. And when the man saw
that all the people stood still, he removed Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast
a cloth upon him, when he saw that every one that came by him stood still.
13 When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on after Joab, to pursue
after Sheba the son of Bichri.
14 ¶ And he went through all the tribes of Israel unto Abel, and to Beth-maachah, and all
the Berites: and they were gathered together, and went also after him.
15 And they came and besieged him in Abel of Beth-maachah, and they cast up a bank
against the city, and it stood in the trench: and all the people that *were* with Joab battered
the wall, to throw it down.§§***
16 ¶ Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come
near hither, that I may speak with thee.
17 And when he was come near unto her, the woman said, *Art* thou Joab? And he
answered, I *am he*. Then she said unto him, Hear the words of thine handmaid. And he
answered, I do hear.
18 Then she spake, saying, They were wont to speak in old time, saying, They shall surely
ask *counsel* at Abel: and so they ended *the matter*.†††
19 I *am one of them that are* peaceable *and* faithful in Israel: thou seekest to destroy a city
and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou swallow up the inheritance of the LORD?
20 And Joab answered and said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or
destroy.
21 The matter *is* not so: but a man of mount Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri by name,
hath lifted up his hand against the king, *even* against David: deliver him only, and I will
depart from the city. And the woman said unto Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to
thee over the wall.‡‡‡
22 Then the woman went unto all the people in her wisdom. And they cut off the head
of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast *it* out to Joab. And he blew a trumpet, and they retired
from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem unto the king.§§§
23 ¶ Now Joab *was* over all the host of Israel: and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over
the Cherethites and over the Pelethites:
24 And Adoram *was* over the tribute: and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was* recorder:*
25 And Sheva *was* scribe: and Zadok and Abiathar *were* the priests:
26 And Ira also the Jairite was a chief ruler about David.†

21

1 Then there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David
enquired of the LORD. And the LORD answered, *It is* for Saul, and for *his* bloody house,
because he slew the Gibeonites.*
2 And the king called the Gibeonites, and said unto them; (now the Gibeonites *were* not
of the children of Israel, but of the remnant of the Amorites; and the children of Israel had
sworn unto them: and Saul sought to slay them in his zeal to the children of Israel and
Judah.)
3 Wherefore David said unto the Gibeonites, What shall I do for you? and wherewith
shall I make the atonement, that ye may bless the inheritance of the LORD?
4 And the Gibeonites said unto him, We will have no silver nor gold of Saul, nor of his
house; neither for us shalt thou kill any man in Israel. And he said, What ye shall say, *that*
will I do for you.†
5 And they answered the king, The man that consumed us, and that devised against us
that we should be destroyed from remaining in any of the coasts of Israel,‡

‡‡ **20:10** struck...: Heb. doubled not his stroke §§ **20:15** in the trench: or, against the outmost wall *** **20:15** battered: Heb. marred to throw down ††† **20:18** They were...: or, They plainly spake in the beginning, saying, Surely they will ask of Abel, and so make an end ‡‡‡ **20:21** by name: Heb. by his name §§§ **20:22** retired: Heb. were scattered * **20:24** recorder: or, remembrancer † **20:26** a chief...: or, a prince * **21:1** enquired...: Heb. sought the face, etc † **21:4** We will...: or, It is not silver nor gold that we have to do with Saul or his house, neither pertains it to us to kill, etc ‡ **21:5** devised...: or, cut us off

6 Let seven men of his sons be delivered unto us, and we will hang them up unto the LORD
in Gibeah of Saul, *whom* the LORD did choose. And the king said, I will give *them*.§
7 But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of the
LORD's oath that *was* between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.
8 But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bare unto
Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of Michal the daughter of Saul, whom
she brought up for Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite:**††
9 And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the
hill before the LORD: and they fell *all* seven together, and were put to death in the days of
harvest, in the first *days*, in the beginning of barley harvest.
10 ¶ And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock,
from the beginning of harvest until water dropped upon them out of heaven, and suffered
neither the birds of the air to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.
11 And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had
done.
12 ¶ And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from
the men of Jabesh-gilead, which had stolen them from the street of Beth-shan, where the
Philistines had hanged them, when the Philistines had slain Saul in Gilboa:
13 And he brought up from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son;
and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.
14 And the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son buried they in the country of Benjamin in
Zelah, in the sepulchre of Kish his father: and they performed all that the king commanded.
And after that God was intreated for the land.
15 ¶ Moreover the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and David went down, and
his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines: and David waxed faint.
16 And Ishbi-benob, which *was* of the sons of the giant, the weight of whose spear *weighed*
three hundred *shekels* of brass in weight, he being girded with a new *sword*, thought to
have slain David.‡‡§§
17 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succoured him, and smote the Philistine, and killed him.
Then the men of David sware unto him, saying, Thou shalt go no more out with us to battle,
that thou quench not the light of Israel.***
18 And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines at Gob:
then Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Saph, which *was* of the sons of the giant.†††‡‡‡
19 And there was again a battle in Gob with the Philistines, where Elhanan the son of
Jaare-oregim, a Beth-lehemite, slew *the brother of* Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose
spear *was* like a weaver's beam.§§§
20 And there was yet a battle in Gath, where was a man of *great* stature, that had on every
hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was
born to the giant.*
21 And when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea the brother of David slew him.†‡
22 These four were born to the giant in Gath, and fell by the hand of David, and by the
hand of his servants.

22

1 And David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day *that* the LORD had
delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:
2 And he said, The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;
3 The God of my rock; in him will I trust: *he is* my shield, and the horn of my salvation,
my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.
4 I will call on the LORD, *who is* worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine
enemies.
5 When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;*†
6 The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;‡
7 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice
out of his temple, and my cry *did enter* into his ears.

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§ **21:6** whom...: or, chosen of the LORD ** **21:8** Michal: or, Michal's sister †† **21:8** brought...: Heb. bear to Adriel ‡‡ **21:16** the giant: or, Rapha §§ **21:16** spear: Heb. the staff, or, the head *** **21:17** light: Heb. candle, or, lamp ††† **21:18** the giant: or, Rapha ‡‡‡ **21:18** Saph: or, Sippai §§§ **21:19** Jaare-oregim: or, Jair * **21:20** the giant: or, Rapha † **21:21** defied: or, reproached ‡ **21:21** Shimea: also called, Shammah * **22:5** waves: or, pangs † **22:5** ungodly...: Heb. Belial ‡ **22:6** sorrows: or, cords

8 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations of heaven moved and shook,
because he was wroth.
9 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals
were kindled by it.§
10 He bowed the heavens also, and came down; and darkness *was* under his feet.
11 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind.
12 And he made darkness pavilions round about him, dark waters, *and* thick clouds of
the skies.**
13 Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.
14 The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice.
15 And he sent out arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and discomfited them.
16 And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were discovered,
at the rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of the breath of his nostrils.
17 He sent from above, he took me; he drew me out of many waters;††
18 He delivered me from my strong enemy, *and* from them that hated me: for they were
too strong for me.
19 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.
20 He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in
me.
21 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of
my hands hath he recompensed me.
22 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
23 For all his judgments *were* before me: and *as for* his statutes, I did not depart from
them.
24 I was also upright before him, and have kept myself from mine iniquity.‡‡
25 Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according
to my cleanness in his eye sight.§§
26 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful, *and* with the upright man thou wilt
shew thyself upright.
27 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself
unsavoury.***
28 And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eyes *are* upon the haughty, *that* thou
mayest bring *them* down.
29 For thou *art* my lamp, O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my darkness.†††
30 For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall.‡‡‡
31 *As for* God, his way *is* perfect; the word of the LORD *is* tried: he *is* a buckler to all them
that trust in him.§§§
32 For who *is* God, save the LORD? and who *is* a rock, save our God?
33 God *is* my strength *and* power: and he maketh my way perfect.*
34 He maketh my feet like hinds' *feet:* and setteth me upon my high places.†
35 He teacheth my hands to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.‡
36 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath made me
great.§
37 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my feet did not slip.**
38 I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had
consumed them.
39 And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise: yea, they
are fallen under my feet.
40 For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou
subdued under me.††
41 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate
me.
42 They looked, but *there was* none to save; *even* unto the LORD, but he answered them
not.

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§ **22:9** out of his nostrils: Heb. by, etc ** **22:12** dark...: Heb. binding of waters †† **22:17** many: or, great ‡‡ **22:24** before: Heb. to §§ **22:25** in...: Heb. before his eyes *** **22:27** shew thyself unsavoury: or, wrestle ††† **22:29** lamp: or, candle ‡‡‡ **22:30** run: or, broken §§§ **22:31** tried: or, refined * **22:33** maketh: Heb. riddeth, or, looseth † **22:34** maketh: Heb. equalleth ‡ **22:35** to war: Heb. for the war § **22:36** made...: Heb. multiplied me ** **22:37** feet: Heb. ankles †† **22:40** subdued: Heb. caused to bow

43 Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did stamp them as the mire of
the street, *and* did spread them abroad.
44 Thou also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me *to be*
head of the heathen: a people *which* I knew not shall serve me.
45 Strangers shall submit themselves unto me: as soon as they hear, they shall be obedient
unto me.‡‡§§
46 Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their close places.
47 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my
salvation.
48 It *is* God that avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me,***
49 And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou also hast lifted me up on high
above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.
50 Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and I will sing
praises unto thy name.
51 *He is* the tower of salvation for his king: and sheweth mercy to his anointed, unto
David, and to his seed for evermore.

23

1 Now these *be* the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man *who was*
raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said,
2 The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word *was* in my tongue.
3 The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men *must be*
just, ruling in the fear of God.*
4 And *he shall be* as the light of the morning, *when* the sun riseth, *even* a morning without
clouds; *as* the tender grass *springing* out of the earth by clear shining after rain.
5 Although my house *be* not so with God; yet he hath made with me an everlasting
covenant, ordered in all *things*, and sure: for *this is* all my salvation, and all *my* desire,
although he make *it* not to grow.
6 ¶ But *the sons* of Belial *shall be* all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot
be taken with hands:
7 But the man *that* shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and
they shall be utterly burned with fire in the *same* place.†
8 ¶ These *be* the names of the mighty men whom David had: The Tachmonite that sat
in the seat, chief among the captains; the same *was* Adino the Eznite: *he lift up his spear*
against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time.‡§**
9 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, *one* of the three mighty men
with David, when they defied the Philistines *that* were there gathered together to battle,
and the men of Israel were gone away:
10 He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto
the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after
him only to spoil.
11 And after him *was* Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were
gathered together into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles: and the people
fled from the Philistines.††
12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and
the LORD wrought a great victory.
13 And three of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto
the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in the valley of Rephaim.‡‡
14 And David *was* then in an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines *was* then *in* Beth-
lehem.
15 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well
of Beth-lehem, which *is* by the gate!
16 And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water
out of the well of Beth-lehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David:
nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.

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‡‡ **22:45** Strangers: Heb. Sons of the stranger §§ **22:45** submit...: or, yield feigned obedience: Heb. lie *** **22:48** avengeth: Heb. giveth avengement for * **23:3** He...: or, Be thou ruler, etc † **23:7** fenced: Heb. filled ‡ **23:8** The Tachmonite...: or, Joshebbassebet the Tachmonite, head of the three § **23:8** whom he...: Heb. slain ** **23:8** 1ch 11:11 he lift...: from whom he...: Heb. slain †† **23:11** into...: or, for foraging ‡‡ **23:13** three...: or, the three captains over the thirty

17 And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this: *is not this* the blood of the
men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did
these three mighty men.
18 And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was chief among three. And he
lifted up his spear against three hundred, *and* slew *them*, and had the name among three.§§
19 Was he not most honourable of three? therefore he was their captain: howbeit he
attained not unto the *first* three.
20 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man, of Kabzeel, who had done
many acts, he slew two lionlike men of Moab: he went down also and slew a lion in the
midst of a pit in time of snow:***†††
21 And he slew an Egyptian, a goodly man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand; but
he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and
slew him with his own spear.‡‡‡
22 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among three mighty
men.
23 He was more honourable than the thirty, but he attained not to the *first* three. And
David set him over his guard.§§§*
24 Asahel the brother of Joab *was* one of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-
lehem,
25 Shammah the Harodite, Elika the Harodite,
26 Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,
27 Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,
28 Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,
29 Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the
children of Benjamin,
30 Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash,†
31 Abi-albon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite,
32 Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,
33 Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Hararite,
34 Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel
the Gilonite,
35 Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,
36 Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite,
37 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, armourbearer to Joab the son of Zeruiah,
38 Ira an Ithrite, Gareb an Ithrite,
39 Uriah the Hittite: thirty and seven in all.

24

1 And again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he moved David
against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah.
2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which *was* with him, Go now through
all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number ye the people, that I may
know the number of the people.*
3 And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many
soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see *it:* but why
doth my lord the king delight in this thing?
4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of
the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to
number the people of Israel.
5 ¶ And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right side of the city that
lieth in the midst of the river of Gad, and toward Jazer:†
6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the land of Tahtim-hodshi; and they came to Dan-jaan,
and about to Zidon,‡
7 And came to the strong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the
Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, *even* to Beer-sheba.

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§§ **23:18** and slew them: Heb. slain *** **23:20** who...: Heb. great of acts ††† **23:20** lionlike...: Heb. lion of God ‡‡‡ **23:21** a goodly...: Heb. a man of countenance, or, sight: also called, a man of great stature §§§ **23:23** more...: or, honourable among the thirty * **23:23** guard: or, council: Heb. at his command † **23:30** brooks: or, valleys * **24:2** Go: or, Compass † **24:5** river: or, valley ‡ **24:6** land of Tahtim-hodshi: or, nether land newly inhabited

8 So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine
months and twenty days.
9 And Joab gave up the sum of the number of the people unto the king: and there were
in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew the sword; and the men of Judah
were five hundred thousand men.
10 ¶ And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said
unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD,
take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.
11 For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came unto the prophet
Gad, David's seer, saying,
12 Go and say unto David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three *things;* choose thee one
of them, that I may *do it* unto thee.
13 So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall seven years of famine
come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while
they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see
what answer I shall return to him that sent me.
14 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the
LORD; for his mercies *are* great: and let me not fall into the hand of man.§
15 ¶ So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time
appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand
men.
16 And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD
repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay
now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the
Jebusite.**
17 And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and
said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done?
let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.
18 ¶ And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Go up, rear an altar unto the
LORD in the threshingfloor of Araunah the Jebusite.††
19 And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as the LORD commanded.
20 And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on toward him: and
Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on his face upon the ground.
21 And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said,
To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD, that the plague may be
stayed from the people.
22 And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what *seemeth*
good unto him: behold, *here be* oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and
other instruments of the oxen for wood.
23 All these *things* did Araunah, *as* a king, give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the
king, The LORD thy God accept thee.
24 And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy *it* of thee at a price: neither
will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So
David bought the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.
25 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace
offerings. So the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.

§ **24:14** are great: or, are many ** **24:16** Araunah: also called, Ornan †† **24:18** Araunah: Heb. Araniah

The First Book of the Kings
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1 Now king David was old *and* stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but
he gat no heat.*
2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, Let there be sought for my lord the king a young
virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him, and let her lie in thy
bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.†‡§
3 So they sought for a fair damsel throughout all the coasts of Israel, and found Abishag
a Shunammite, and brought her to the king.
4 And the damsel *was* very fair, and cherished the king, and ministered to him: but the
king knew her not.
5 ¶ Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will be king: and he
prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.**
6 And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so?
and he also *was a* very goodly *man;* and *his mother* bare him after Absalom.††
7 And he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they
following Adonijah helped *him.*‡‡§§
8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and
Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men which *belonged* to David, were not with Adonijah.
9 And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of Zoheleth, which *is* by
En-rogel, and called all his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's
servants:***
10 But Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother,
he called not.
11 ¶ Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Hast thou
not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith doth reign, and David our lord knoweth *it* not?
12 Now therefore come, let me, I pray thee, give thee counsel, that thou mayest save thine
own life, and the life of thy son Solomon.
13 Go and get thee in unto king David, and say unto him, Didst not thou, my lord, O king,
swear unto thine handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and
he shall sit upon my throne? why then doth Adonijah reign?
14 Behold, while thou yet talkest there with the king, I also will come in after thee, and
confirm thy words.†††
15 ¶ And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the chamber: and the king was very old;
and Abishag the Shunammite ministered unto the king.
16 And Bath-sheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And the king said, What
wouldest thou?‡‡‡
17 And she said unto him, My lord, thou swarest by the LORD thy God unto thine
handmaid, *saying*, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon
my throne.
18 And now, behold, Adonijah reigneth; and now, my lord the king, thou knowest *it* not:
19 And he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the
sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host: but Solomon thy
servant hath he not called.
20 And thou, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel *are* upon thee, that thou shouldest tell
them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him.
21 Otherwise it shall come to pass, when my lord the king shall sleep with his fathers, that
I and my son Solomon shall be counted offenders.§§§
22 ¶ And, lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in.
23 And they told the king, saying, Behold Nathan the prophet. And when he was come in
before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.

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* **1:1** stricken...: Heb. entered into days † **1:2** Let there...: Heb. Let them seek ‡ **1:2** a young...: Heb. a damsel, a virgin § **1:2** cherish...: Heb. be a cherisher unto him ** **1:5** be king: Heb. reign †† **1:6** at any...: Heb. from his days ‡‡ **1:7** he...: Heb. his words were with §§ **1:7** following...: Heb. helped after Adonijah *** **1:9** En-rogel: or, the well Rogel ††† **1:14** confirm: Heb. fill up ‡‡‡ **1:16** What...: Heb. What to thee? §§§ **1:21** offenders: Heb. sinners

24 And Nathan said, My lord, O king, hast thou said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and
he shall sit upon my throne?
25 For he is gone down this day, and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in
abundance, and hath called all the king's sons, and the captains of the host, and Abiathar
the priest; and, behold, they eat and drink before him, and say, God save king Adonijah.*
26 But me, *even* me thy servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada,
and thy servant Solomon, hath he not called.
27 Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed *it* unto thy servant,
who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?
28 ¶ Then king David answered and said, Call me Bath-sheba. And she came into the
king's presence, and stood before the king.†
29 And the king sware, and said, *As* the LORD liveth, that hath redeemed my soul out of
all distress,
30 Even as I sware unto thee by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son
shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so will I certainly
do this day.
31 Then Bath-sheba bowed with *her* face to the earth, and did reverence to the king, and
said, Let my lord king David live for ever.
32 ¶ And king David said, Call me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah
the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king.
33 The king also said unto them, Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause
Solomon my son to ride upon mine own mule, and bring him down to Gihon:‡
34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel:
and blow ye with the trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.
35 Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my throne; for he shall
be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.
36 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, Amen: the LORD God of
my lord the king say so *too*.
37 As the LORD hath been with my lord the king, even so be he with Solomon, and make
his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David.
38 So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the
Cherethites, and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride upon king David's
mule, and brought him to Gihon.
39 And Zadok the priest took an horn of oil out of the tabernacle, and anointed Solomon.
And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said, God save king Solomon.
40 And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with pipes, and rejoiced
with great joy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them.§
41 ¶ And Adonijah and all the guests that *were* with him heard *it* as they had made an end
of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, Wherefore *is this* noise
of the city being in an uproar?
42 And while he yet spake, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and
Adonijah said unto him, Come in; for thou *art* a valiant man, and bringest good tidings.
43 And Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, Verily our lord king David hath made
Solomon king.
44 And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and
Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they have caused
him to ride upon the king's mule:
45 And Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon: and
they are come up from thence rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This *is* the noise that
ye have heard.
46 And also Solomon sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.
47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king David, saying, God make
the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make his throne greater than thy throne.
And the king bowed himself upon the bed.
48 And also thus said the king, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which hath given *one*
to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing *it*.
49 And all the guests that *were* with Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and went every
man his way.

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* **1:25** God...: Heb. Let king Adonijah live † **1:28** into...: Heb. before the king ‡ **1:33** mine...: Heb. which belongeth to me § **1:40** pipes: or, flutes

50 ¶ And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and caught hold on
the horns of the altar.
51 And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah feareth king Solomon: for, lo, he
hath caught hold on the horns of the altar, saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me to day
that he will not slay his servant with the sword.
52 And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him
fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die.
53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and
bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto him, Go to thine house.

2

1 Now the days of David drew nigh that he should die; and he charged Solomon his son,
saying,
2 I go the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and shew thyself a man;
3 And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and
his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies, as it is written in the law of
Moses, that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest
thyself:*
4 That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, If thy
children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all
their soul, there shall not fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel.†
5 Moreover thou knowest also what Joab the son of Zeruiah did to me, *and* what he did
to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto Abner the son of Ner, and unto Amasa the
son of Jether, whom he slew, and shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war
upon his girdle that *was* about his loins, and in his shoes that *were* on his feet.‡
6 Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to the grave
in peace.
7 But shew kindness unto the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that
eat at thy table: for so they came to me when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.
8 And, behold, *thou hast* with thee Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite of Bahurim, which
cursed me with a grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but he came down
to meet me at Jordan, and I sware to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put thee to death
with the sword.§
9 Now therefore hold him not guiltless: for thou *art* a wise man, and knowest what thou
oughtest to do unto him; but his hoar head bring thou down to the grave with blood.
10 So David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.
11 And the days that David reigned over Israel *were* forty years: seven years reigned he
in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.
12 ¶ Then sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was
established greatly.
13 ¶ And Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon. And
she said, Comest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.
14 He said moreover, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And she said, Say on.
15 And he said, Thou knowest that the kingdom was mine, and *that* all Israel set their
faces on me, that I should reign: howbeit the kingdom is turned about, and is become my
brother's: for it was his from the LORD.
16 And now I ask one petition of thee, deny me not. And she said unto him, Say on.**
17 And he said, Speak, I pray thee, unto Solomon the king, (for he will not say thee nay,)
that he give me Abishag the Shunammite to wife.
18 And Bath-sheba said, Well; I will speak for thee unto the king.
19 ¶ Bath-sheba therefore went unto king Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah. And
the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto her, and sat down on his throne, and
caused a seat to be set for the king's mother; and she sat on his right hand.
20 Then she said, I desire one small petition of thee; *I pray thee*, say me not nay. And the
king said unto her, Ask on, my mother: for I will not say thee nay.
21 And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given to Adonijah thy brother to wife.
22 And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, And why dost thou ask Abishag
the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom also; for he *is* mine elder brother;
even for him, and for Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah.

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* **2:3** prosper: or, do wisely † **2:4** fail...: Heb. be cut off from thee from the throne ‡ **2:5** shed: Heb. put § **2:8** grievous: Heb. strong ** **2:16** deny...: Heb. turn not away my face

23 Then king Solomon sware by the LORD, saying, God do so to me, and more also, if
Adonijah have not spoken this word against his own life.
24 Now therefore, *as* the LORD liveth, which hath established me, and set me on the
throne of David my father, and who hath made me an house, as he promised, Adonijah
shall be put to death this day.
25 And king Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he fell upon
him that he died.
26 ¶ And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, Get thee to Anathoth, unto thine own
fields; for thou *art* worthy of death: but I will not at this time put thee to death, because
thou barest the ark of the Lord GOD before David my father, and because thou hast been
afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted.††
27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD; that he might fulfil
the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.
28 ¶ Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned
not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD, and caught hold on the
horns of the altar.
29 And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD; and,
behold, *he is* by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall
upon him.
30 And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto him, Thus saith the
king, Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the king word
again, saying, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me.
31 And the king said unto him, Do as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that
thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and from the house
of my father.
32 And the LORD shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two men more
righteous and better than he, and slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing
thereof, to wit, Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of
Jether, captain of the host of Judah.
33 Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed
for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall
there be peace for ever from the LORD.
34 So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and slew him: and he was
buried in his own house in the wilderness.
35 ¶ And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the host: and Zadok
the priest did the king put in the room of Abiathar.
36 ¶ And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Build thee an house in
Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth thence any whither.
37 For it shall be, *that* on the day thou goest out, and passest over the brook Kidron, thou
shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely die: thy blood shall be upon thine own head.
38 And Shimei said unto the king, The saying *is* good: as my lord the king hath said, so
will thy servant do. And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem many days.
39 And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the servants of Shimei ran
away unto Achish son of Maachah king of Gath. And they told Shimei, saying, Behold, thy
servants *be* in Gath.
40 And Shimei arose, and saddled his ass, and went to Gath to Achish to seek his servants:
and Shimei went, and brought his servants from Gath.
41 And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Gath, and was come
again.
42 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Did I not make thee to
swear by the LORD, and protested unto thee, saying, Know for a certain, on the day thou
goest out, and walkest abroad any whither, that thou shalt surely die? and thou saidst unto
me, The word *that* I have heard *is* good.
43 Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and the commandment that I have
charged thee with?
44 The king said moreover to Shimei, Thou knowest all the wickedness which thine
heart is privy to, that thou didst to David my father: therefore the LORD shall return thy
wickedness upon thine own head;
45 And king Solomon *shall be* blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before
the LORD for ever.

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†† **2:26** worthy...: Heb. a man of death

46 So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; which went out, and fell upon him, that he died. And the kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.

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1 And Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the city of David, until he had made an end of building his own house, and the house of the LORD, and the wall of Jerusalem round about.
2 Only the people sacrificed in high places, because there was no house built unto the name of the LORD, until those days.
3 And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.
4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; for that *was* the great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar.
5 ¶ In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.
6 And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as *it is* this day.*
7 And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I *am but* a little child: I know not *how* to go out or come in.
8 And thy servant *is* in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.
9 Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?†
10 And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing.
11 And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment;‡§
12 Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.
13 And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.**
14 And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.
15 And Solomon awoke; and, behold, *it was* a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.
16 ¶ Then came there two women, *that were* harlots, unto the king, and stood before him.
17 And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house.
18 And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and we *were* together; *there was* no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house.
19 And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it.
20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom.
21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear.
22 And the other woman said, Nay; but the living *is* my son, and the dead *is* thy son. And this said, No; but the dead *is* thy son, and the living *is* my son. Thus they spake before the king.
23 Then said the king, The one saith, This *is* my son that liveth, and thy son *is* the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son *is* the dead, and my son *is* the living.
24 And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king.
25 And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.

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* **3:6** mercy: or, bounty † **3:9** understanding: Heb. hearing ‡ **3:11** long life: Heb. many days § **3:11** discern: Heb. hear ** **3:13** shall...: or, hath not been

26 Then spake the woman whose the living child *was* unto the king, for her bowels
yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise
slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, *but* divide *it*.††
27 Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she
is the mother thereof.
28 And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the
king: for they saw that the wisdom of God *was* in him, to do judgment.‡‡

4

1 So king Solomon was king over all Israel.
2 And these *were* the princes which he had; Azariah the son of Zadok the priest,*
3 Elihoreph and Ahiah, the sons of Shisha, scribes; Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the
recorder.†‡
4 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the host: and Zadok and Abiathar *were* the
priests:
5 And Azariah the son of Nathan *was* over the officers: and Zabud the son of Nathan *was*
principal officer, *and* the king's friend:
6 And Ahishar *was* over the household: and Adoniram the son of Abda *was* over the
tribute.§
7 ¶ And Solomon had twelve officers over all Israel, which provided victuals for the king
and his household: each man his month in a year made provision.
8 And these *are* their names: The son of Hur, in mount Ephraim:**
9 The son of Dekar, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Beth-shemesh, and Elon-beth-
hanan:††
10 The son of Hesed, in Aruboth; to him *pertained* Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher:‡‡
11 The son of Abinadab, in all the region of Dor; which had Taphath the daughter of
Solomon to wife:§§
12 Baana the son of Ahilud; *to him pertained* Taanach and Megiddo, and all Beth-shean,
which *is* by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from Beth-shean to Abel-meholah, *even* unto *the
place that is* beyond Jokneam:
13 The son of Geber, in Ramoth-gilead; to him *pertained* the towns of Jair the son of
Manasseh, which *are* in Gilead; to him *also pertained* the region of Argob, which *is* in
Bashan, threescore great cities with walls and brasen bars:***
14 Ahinadab the son of Iddo *had* Mahanaim:†††
15 Ahimaaz *was* in Naphtali; he also took Basmath the daughter of Solomon to wife:
16 Baanah the son of Hushai *was* in Asher and in Aloth:
17 Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar:
18 Shimei the son of Elah, in Benjamin:
19 Geber the son of Uri *was* in the country of Gilead, *in* the country of Sihon king of the
Amorites, and of Og king of Bashan; and *he was* the only officer which *was* in the land.
20 ¶ Judah and Israel *were* many, as the sand which *is* by the sea in multitude, eating and
drinking, and making merry.
21 And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from the river unto the land of the Philistines,
and unto the border of Egypt: they brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of
his life.
22 ¶ And Solomon's provision for one day was thirty measures of fine flour, and
threescore measures of meal,‡‡‡§§§
23 Ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheep, beside harts,
and roebucks, and fallowdeer, and fatted fowl.
24 For he had dominion over all *the region* on this side the river, from Tiphsah even to
Azzah, over all the kings on this side the river: and he had peace on all sides round about
him.
25 And Judah and Israel dwelt safely, every man under his vine and under his fig tree,
from Dan even to Beer-sheba, all the days of Solomon.*

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†† **3:26** yearned: Heb. were hot ‡‡ **3:28** in him: Heb. in the midst of him * **4:2** priest: or, chief officer † **4:3** scribes: or, secretaries ‡ **4:3** recorder: or, remembrancer § **4:6** tribute: or, levy ** **4:8** The son...: or, Ben-hur †† **4:9** The son...: or, Ben-dekar ‡‡ **4:10** The son...: or, Ben-hesed §§ **4:11** The son...: or, Ben-abinadab *** **4:13** The son...: or, Ben-geber ††† **4:14** Mahanaim: or, to Mahanaim ‡‡‡ **4:22** provision: Heb. bread §§§ **4:22** measures: Heb. cors * **4:25** safely: Heb. confidently

26 ¶ And Solomon had forty thousand stalls of horses for his chariots, and twelve
thousand horsemen.
27 And those officers provided victual for king Solomon, and for all that came unto king
Solomon's table, every man in his month: they lacked nothing.
28 Barley also and straw for the horses and dromedaries brought they unto the place
where *the officers* were, every man according to his charge.†
29 ¶ And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness
of heart, even as the sand that *is* on the sea shore.
30 And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and
all the wisdom of Egypt.
31 For he was wiser than all men; than Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Chalcol, and
Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in all nations round about.
32 And he spake three thousand proverbs: and his songs were a thousand and five.
33 And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree that *is* in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that
springeth out of the wall: he spake also of beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and
of fishes.
34 And there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth,
which had heard of his wisdom.

5

1 And Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants unto Solomon; for he had heard that they had
anointed him king in the room of his father: for Hiram was ever a lover of David.*
2 And Solomon sent to Hiram, saying,
3 Thou knowest how that David my father could not build an house unto the name of the
LORD his God for the wars which were about him on every side, until the LORD put them
under the soles of his feet.
4 But now the LORD my God hath given me rest on every side, *so that there is* neither
adversary nor evil occurrent.
5 And, behold, I purpose to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God, as the
LORD spake unto David my father, saying, Thy son, whom I will set upon thy throne in thy
room, he shall build an house unto my name.†
6 Now therefore command thou that they hew me cedar trees out of Lebanon; and my
servants shall be with thy servants: and unto thee will I give hire for thy servants according
to all that thou shalt appoint: for thou knowest that *there is* not among us any that can skill
to hew timber like unto the Sidonians.‡
7 ¶ And it came to pass, when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that he rejoiced greatly,
and said, Blessed *be* the LORD this day, which hath given unto David a wise son over this
great people.
8 And Hiram sent to Solomon, saying, I have considered the things which thou sentest to
me for: *and* I will do all thy desire concerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber of
fir.§
9 My servants shall bring *them* down from Lebanon unto the sea: and I will convey
them by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt appoint me, and will cause them to
be discharged there, and thou shalt receive *them:* and thou shalt accomplish my desire, in
giving food for my household.**
10 So Hiram gave Solomon cedar trees and fir trees *according to* all his desire.
11 And Solomon gave Hiram twenty thousand measures of wheat *for* food to his house-
hold, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year.††
12 And the LORD gave Solomon wisdom, as he promised him: and there was peace
between Hiram and Solomon; and they two made a league together.
13 ¶ And king Solomon raised a levy out of all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand
men.‡‡
14 And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were
in Lebanon, *and* two months at home: and Adoniram *was* over the levy.
15 And Solomon had threescore and ten thousand that bare burdens, and fourscore
thousand hewers in the mountains;
16 Beside the chief of Solomon's officers which *were* over the work, three thousand and
three hundred, which ruled over the people that wrought in the work.

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† **4:28** dromedaries: or, mules, or, swift beasts * **5:1** Hiram: also called, Huram † **5:5** purpose: Heb. say ‡ **5:6** appoint: Heb. say § **5:8** considered: Heb. heard ** **5:9** appoint: Heb. send †† **5:11** measures: Heb. cors ‡‡ **5:13** levy: Heb. tribute of men

17 And the king commanded, and they brought great stones, costly stones, *and* hewed
stones, to lay the foundation of the house.
18 And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders did hew *them*, and the stonesquarers:
so they prepared timber and stones to build the house.§§

6

1 And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel
were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the
month Zif, which *is* the second month, that he began to build the house of the LORD.*
2 And the house which king Solomon built for the LORD, the length thereof *was*
threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty *cubits*, and the height thereof thirty
cubits.
3 And the porch before the temple of the house, twenty cubits *was* the length thereof,
according to the breadth of the house; *and* ten cubits *was* the breadth thereof before the
house.
4 And for the house he made windows of narrow lights.†
5 ¶ And against the wall of the house he built chambers round about, *against* the walls of
the house round about, *both* of the temple and of the oracle: and he made chambers round
about:‡§**
6 The nethermost chamber *was* five cubits broad, and the middle *was* six cubits broad,
and the third *was* seven cubits broad: for without *in the wall* of the house he made
narrowed rests round about, that *the beams* should not be fastened in the walls of the
house.††
7 And the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made ready before it was
brought thither: so that there was neither hammer nor axe *nor* any tool of iron heard in
the house, while it was in building.
8 The door for the middle chamber *was* in the right side of the house: and they went up
with winding stairs into the middle *chamber*, and out of the middle into the third.‡‡
9 So he built the house, and finished it; and covered the house with beams and boards of
cedar.§§
10 And *then* he built chambers against all the house, five cubits high: and they rested on
the house *with* timber of cedar.
11 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Solomon, saying,
12 *Concerning* this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walk in my statutes,
and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; then will
I perform my word with thee, which I spake unto David thy father:
13 And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not forsake my people Israel.
14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.
15 And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar, both the floor of the
house, and the walls of the cieling: *and* he covered *them* on the inside with wood, and
covered the floor of the house with planks of fir.***
16 And he built twenty cubits on the sides of the house, both the floor and the walls with
boards of cedar: he even built *them* for it within, *even* for the oracle, *even* for the most holy
place.
17 And the house, that *is*, the temple before it, was forty cubits *long*.
18 And the cedar of the house within *was* carved with knops and open flowers: all *was*
cedar; there was no stone seen.†††‡‡‡
19 And the oracle he prepared in the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of
the LORD.
20 And the oracle in the forepart *was* twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in
breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and he overlaid it with pure gold; and
so covered the altar *which was of* cedar.§§§
21 So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the
chains of gold before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold.

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§§ **5:18** stonesquarers: or, Giblites * **6:1** began...: Heb. built † **6:4** of...: or, broad within, and narrow without: or, skewed and closed ‡ **6:5** against the wall: or, upon, or, joining to the wall § **6:5** built chambers: Heb. built floors ** **6:5** made chambers: Heb. made ribs †† **6:6** narrowed...: Heb. narrowings, or, rebatements ‡‡ **6:8** side: Heb. shoulder §§ **6:9** with...: or, the vaultbeams and the panellings with cedar *** **6:15** both...: or, from the floor of the house unto the walls, etc ††† **6:18** knops: or, gourds ‡‡‡ **6:18** open: Heb. openings of §§§ **6:20** pure: Heb. shut up

22 And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until he had finished all the house: also
the whole altar that *was* by the oracle he overlaid with gold.
23 ¶ And within the oracle he made two cherubims *of* olive tree, *each* ten cubits high.*
24 And five cubits *was* the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the
cherub: from the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other *were*
ten cubits.
25 And the other cherub *was* ten cubits: both the cherubims *were* of one measure and
one size.
26 The height of the one cherub *was* ten cubits, and so *was it* of the other cherub.
27 And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and they stretched forth the wings
of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the *one* wall, and the wing of the
other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of
the house.†
28 And he overlaid the cherubims with gold.
29 And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubims
and palm trees and open flowers, within and without.‡
30 And the floor of the house he overlaid with gold, within and without.
31 ¶ And for the entering of the oracle he made doors *of* olive tree: the lintel *and* side posts
were a fifth part *of the wall.*§
32 The two doors also *were of* olive tree; and he carved upon them carvings of cherubims
and palm trees and open flowers, and overlaid *them* with gold, and spread gold upon the
cherubims, and upon the palm trees.**††
33 So also made he for the door of the temple posts *of* olive tree, a fourth part *of the wall.*‡‡
34 And the two doors *were of* fir tree: the two leaves of the one door *were* folding, and the
two leaves of the other door *were* folding.
35 And he carved *thereon* cherubims and palm trees and open flowers: and covered *them*
with gold fitted upon the carved work.
36 ¶ And he built the inner court with three rows of hewed stone, and a row of cedar
beams.
37 ¶ In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of the LORD laid, in the month
Zif:
38 And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which *is* the eighth month, was the house
finished throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he
seven years in building it.§§

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1 But Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he finished all his house.
2 ¶ He built also the house of the forest of Lebanon; the length thereof *was* an hundred
cubits, and the breadth thereof fifty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits, upon four
rows of cedar pillars, with cedar beams upon the pillars.
3 And *it was* covered with cedar above upon the beams, that *lay* on forty five pillars,
fifteen *in* a row.*
4 And *there were* windows *in* three rows, and light *was* against light *in* three ranks.†
5 And all the doors and posts *were* square, with the windows: and light *was* against light
in three ranks.‡
6 ¶ And he made a porch of pillars; the length thereof *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth
thereof thirty cubits: and the porch *was* before them: and the *other* pillars and the thick
beam *were* before them.§
7 ¶ Then he made a porch for the throne where he might judge, *even* the porch of
judgment: and *it was* covered with cedar from one side of the floor to the other.**
8 ¶ And his house where he dwelt *had* another court within the porch, *which* was of the
like work. Solomon made also an house for Pharaoh's daughter, whom he had taken *to
wife*, like unto this porch.

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* **6:23** olive: or, oily: Heb. trees of oil † **6:27** they...: or, the cherubims stretched forth their wings ‡ **6:29** open flowers: Heb. openings of flowers § **6:31** a fifth...: or, fivesquare ** **6:32** two...: or, leaves of the doors †† **6:32** open flowers: Heb. openings of flowers ‡‡ **6:33** a fourth...: or, foursquare §§ **6:38** throughout...: or, with all the parts thereof, and with all the ordinances thereof * **7:3** beams: Heb. ribs † **7:4** light was...: Heb. sight against sight ‡ **7:5** doors...: or, spaces and pillars were square in prospect § **7:6** before them: or, according to them ** **7:7** from...: Heb. from floor to floor

9 All these *were of* costly stones, according to the measures of hewed stones, sawed with
saws, within and without, even from the foundation unto the coping, and *so* on the outside
toward the great court.
10 And the foundation *was of* costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits, and
stones of eight cubits.
11 And above *were* costly stones, after the measures of hewed stones, and cedars.
12 And the great court round about *was* with three rows of hewed stones, and a row of
cedar beams, both for the inner court of the house of the LORD, and for the porch of the
house.
13 ¶ And king Solomon sent and fetched Hiram out of Tyre.[††]
14 He *was* a widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali, and his father *was* a man of Tyre, a
worker in brass: and he was filled with wisdom, and understanding, and cunning to work
all works in brass. And he came to king Solomon, and wrought all his work.[‡‡]
15 For he cast two pillars of brass, of eighteen cubits high apiece: and a line of twelve
cubits did compass either of them about.[§§]
16 And he made two chapiters *of* molten brass, to set upon the tops of the pillars: the
height of the one chapiter *was* five cubits, and the height of the other chapiter *was* five
cubits:
17 *And* nets of checker work, and wreaths of chain work, for the chapiters which *were*
upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one chapiter, and seven for the other chapiter.
18 And he made the pillars, and two rows round about upon the one network, to cover the
chapiters that *were* upon the top, with pomegranates: and so did he for the other chapiter.
19 And the chapiters that *were* upon the top of the pillars *were* of lily work in the porch,
four cubits.
20 And the chapiters upon the two pillars *had pomegranates* also above, over against the
belly which *was* by the network: and the pomegranates *were* two hundred in rows round
about upon the other chapiter.
21 And he set up the pillars in the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and
called the name thereof Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof
Boaz.[***][†††]
22 And upon the top of the pillars *was* lily work: so was the work of the pillars finished.
23 ¶ And he made a molten sea, ten cubits from the one brim to the other: *it was* round
all about, and his height *was* five cubits: and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round
about.[‡‡‡]
24 And under the brim of it round about *there were* knops compassing it, ten in a cubit,
compassing the sea round about: the knops *were* cast in two rows, when it was cast.
25 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward
the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the
sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.
26 And it *was* an hand breadth thick, and the brim thereof was wrought like the brim of
a cup, with flowers of lilies: it contained two thousand baths.
27 ¶ And he made ten bases of brass; four cubits *was* the length of one base, and four
cubits the breadth thereof, and three cubits the height of it.
28 And the work of the bases *was* on this *manner:* they had borders, and the borders *were*
between the ledges:
29 And on the borders that *were* between the ledges *were* lions, oxen, and cherubims:
and upon the ledges *there was* a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen *were* certain
additions made of thin work.
30 And every base had four brasen wheels, and plates of brass: and the four corners
thereof had undersetters: under the laver *were* undersetters molten, at the side of every
addition.
31 And the mouth of it within the chapiter and above *was* a cubit: but the mouth thereof
was round *after* the work of the base, a cubit and an half: and also upon the mouth of it
were gravings with their borders, foursquare, not round.
32 And under the borders *were* four wheels; and the axletrees of the wheels *were joined*
to the base: and the height of a wheel *was* a cubit and half a cubit.[§§§]

[††] **7:13** Hiram: also called, Huram [‡‡] **7:14** a widow's...: Heb. the son of a widow woman [§§] **7:15** cast: Heb. fashioned [***] **7:21** Jachin: that is, He shall establish [†††] **7:21** Boaz: that is, In it is strength [‡‡‡] **7:23** from...: Heb. from his brim to his brim [§§§] **7:32** joined...: Heb. in the base

33 And the work of the wheels *was* like the work of a chariot wheel: their axletrees, and
their naves, and their felloes, and their spokes, *were* all molten.
34 And *there were* four undersetters to the four corners of one base: *and* the undersetters
were of the very base itself.
35 And in the top of the base *was there* a round compass of half a cubit high: and on the
top of the base the ledges thereof and the borders thereof *were* of the same.
36 For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and on the borders thereof, he graved
cherubims, lions, and palm trees, according to the proportion of every one, and additions
round about.*
37 After this *manner* he made the ten bases: all of them had one casting, one measure,
and one size.
38 ¶ Then made he ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty baths: *and* every laver
was four cubits: *and* upon every one of the ten bases one laver.
39 And he put five bases on the right side of the house, and five on the left side of the
house: and he set the sea on the right side of the house eastward over against the south.†
40 ¶ And Hiram made the lavers, and the shovels, and the basons. So Hiram made an end
of doing all the work that he made king Solomon for the house of the LORD:‡
41 The two pillars, and the *two* bowls of the chapiters that *were* on the top of the two
pillars; and the two networks, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters which *were* upon the
top of the pillars;
42 And four hundred pomegranates for the two networks, *even* two rows of
pomegranates for one network, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters that *were* upon the
pillars;§
43 And the ten bases, and ten lavers on the bases;
44 And one sea, and twelve oxen under the sea;
45 And the pots, and the shovels, and the basons: and all these vessels, which Hiram made
to king Solomon for the house of the LORD, *were of* bright brass.**
46 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and
Zarthan.††
47 And Solomon left all the vessels *unweighed*, because they were exceeding many:
neither was the weight of the brass found out.‡‡§§
48 And Solomon made all the vessels that *pertained* unto the house of the LORD: the altar
of gold, and the table of gold, whereupon the shewbread *was*,
49 And the candlesticks of pure gold, five on the right *side*, and five on the left, before the
oracle, with the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs *of* gold,
50 And the bowls, and the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the censers *of*
pure gold; and the hinges *of* gold, *both* for the doors of the inner house, the most holy *place,*
and for the doors of the house, *to wit*, of the temple.***
51 So was ended all the work that king Solomon made for the house of the LORD. And
Solomon brought in the things which David his father had dedicated; *even* the silver, and
the gold, and the vessels, did he put among the treasures of the house of the LORD.†††

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1 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of
the fathers of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring
up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which *is* Zion.*
2 And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast in the
month Ethanim, which *is* the seventh month.
3 And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the ark.
4 And they brought up the ark of the LORD, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and
all the holy vessels that *were* in the tabernacle, even those did the priests and the Levites
bring up.
5 And king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel, that were assembled unto him,
were with him before the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be told nor
numbered for multitude.

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* **7:36** proportion: Heb. nakedness † **7:39** side: Heb. shoulder ‡ **7:40** And Hiram: Heb. And Hirom § **7:42** upon...: Heb. upon the face of the pillars ** **7:45** bright: Heb. made bright or, scoured †† **7:46** in...: Heb. in the thickness of the ground ‡‡ **7:47** because...: Heb. for the exceeding multitude §§ **7:47** found: Heb. searched *** **7:50** censers: Heb. ash pans ††† **7:51** things...: Heb. holy things of David * **8:1** chief: Heb. princes

6 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, into the
oracle of the house, to the most holy *place, even* under the wings of the cherubims.
7 For the cherubims spread forth *their* two wings over the place of the ark, and the
cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.
8 And they drew out the staves, that the ends of the staves were seen out in the holy *place*
before the oracle, and they were not seen without: and there they are unto this day.†‡
9 *There was* nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at
Horeb, when the LORD made *a covenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out
of the land of Egypt.§
10 And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy *place*, that the cloud
filled the house of the LORD,
11 So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the glory of the
LORD had filled the house of the LORD.
12 ¶ Then spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.
13 I have surely built thee an house to dwell in, a settled place for thee to abide in for ever.
14 And the king turned his face about, and blessed all the congregation of Israel: (and all
the congregation of Israel stood;)
15 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which spake with his mouth unto David
my father, and hath with his hand fulfilled *it*, saying,
16 Since the day that I brought forth my people Israel out of Egypt, I chose no city out of
all the tribes of Israel to build an house, that my name might be therein; but I chose David
to be over my people Israel.
17 And it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD
God of Israel.
18 And the LORD said unto David my father, Whereas it was in thine heart to build an
house unto my name, thou didst well that it was in thine heart.
19 Nevertheless thou shalt not build the house; but thy son that shall come forth out of
thy loins, he shall build the house unto my name.
20 And the LORD hath performed his word that he spake, and I am risen up in the room
of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built
an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.
21 And I have set there a place for the ark, wherein *is* the covenant of the LORD, which
he made with our fathers, when he brought them out of the land of Egypt.
22 ¶ And Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congrega-
tion of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven:
23 And he said, LORD God of Israel, *there is* no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth
beneath, who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all
their heart:
24 Who hast kept with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him: thou
spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled *it* with thine hand, as *it is* this day.
25 Therefore now, LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that thou
promisedst him, saying, There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of
Israel; so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast
walked before me.**††
26 And now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto
thy servant David my father.
27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens
cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?
28 Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD
my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee
to day:
29 That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, *even* toward the place of
which thou hast said, My name shall be there: that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer
which thy servant shall make toward this place.‡‡
30 And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when
they shall pray toward this place: and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place: and when
thou hearest, forgive.§§

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† **8:8** ends: Heb. heads ‡ **8:8** holy...: or, ark § **8:9** when the: or, where the ** **8:25** fail...: Heb. be cut off unto thee a man from my sight †† **8:25** so that: Heb. only if ‡‡ **8:29** toward this place: or, in this place §§ **8:30** toward this place: or, in this place

31 ¶ If any man trespass against his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him to cause him
to swear, and the oath come before thine altar in this house:***
32 Then hear thou in heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, condemning the wicked,
to bring his way upon his head; and justifying the righteous, to give him according to his
righteousness.
33 ¶ When thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned
against thee, and shall turn again to thee, and confess thy name, and pray, and make
supplication unto thee in this house:†††
34 Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them
again unto the land which thou gavest unto their fathers.
35 ¶ When heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee;
if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou
afflictest them:
36 Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel,
that thou teach them the good way wherein they should walk, and give rain upon thy land,
which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance.
37 ¶ If there be in the land famine, if there be pestilence, blasting, mildew, locust, *or* if
there be caterpiller; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their cities; whatsoever
plague, whatsoever sickness *there be;*‡‡‡
38 What prayer and supplication soever be *made* by any man, *or* by all thy people Israel,
which shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands
toward this house:
39 Then hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and do, and give to every
man according to his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou, *even* thou only, knowest
the hearts of all the children of men;)
40 That they may fear thee all the days that they live in the land which thou gavest unto
our fathers.
41 Moreover concerning a stranger, that *is* not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a
far country for thy name's sake;
42 (For they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out
arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house;
43 Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger
calleth to thee for: that all people of the earth may know thy name, to fear thee, as *do* thy
people Israel; and that they may know that this house, which I have builded, is called by
thy name.§§§
44 ¶ If thy people go out to battle against their enemy, whithersoever thou shalt send
them, and shall pray unto the LORD toward the city which thou hast chosen, and *toward*
the house that I have built for thy name:*
45 Then hear thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their
cause.†
46 If they sin against thee, (for *there is* no man that sinneth not,) and thou be angry with
them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land
of the enemy, far or near;
47 *Yet* if they shall bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and
repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives,
saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;‡
48 And *so* return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their
enemies, which led them away captive, and pray unto thee toward their land, which thou
gavest unto their fathers, the city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built
for thy name:
49 Then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling place, and
maintain their cause,§
50 And forgive thy people that have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions
wherein they have transgressed against thee, and give them compassion before them who
carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:
51 For they *be* thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of Egypt,
from the midst of the furnace of iron:

*** **8:31** and an oath...: Heb. and he require an oath of him ††† **8:33** in: or, toward ‡‡‡ **8:37** cities: or, jurisdiction §§§ **8:43** this...: Heb. thy name is called upon this house * **8:44** toward the city: Heb. the way of the city † **8:45** cause: or, right ‡ **8:47** bethink...: Heb. bring back to their heart § **8:49** cause: or, right

52 That thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy servant, and unto the
supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto thee.
53 For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, *to be* thine
inheritance, as thou spakest by the hand of Moses thy servant, when thou broughtest our
fathers out of Egypt, O Lord GOD.
54 And it was *so*, that when Solomon had made an end of praying all this prayer and
supplication unto the LORD, he arose from before the altar of the LORD, from kneeling
on his knees with his hands spread up to heaven.
55 And he stood, and blessed all the congregation of Israel with a loud voice, saying,
56 Blessed *be* the LORD, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that
he promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised
by the hand of Moses his servant.**
57 The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor
forsake us:
58 That he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his
commandments, and his statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.
59 And let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before the LORD, be nigh
unto the LORD our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the
cause of his people Israel at all times, as the matter shall require:††
60 That all the people of the earth may know that the LORD *is* God, *and that there is* none
else.
61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and
to keep his commandments, as at this day.
62 ¶ And the king, and all Israel with him, offered sacrifice before the LORD.
63 And Solomon offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he offered unto the LORD,
two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep. So the king
and all the children of Israel dedicated the house of the LORD.
64 The same day did the king hallow the middle of the court that *was* before the house of
the LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace
offerings: because the brasen altar that *was* before the LORD *was* too little to receive the
burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings.
65 And at that time Solomon held a feast, and all Israel with him, a great congregation,
from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt, before the LORD our God, seven
days and seven days, *even* fourteen days.
66 On the eighth day he sent the people away: and they blessed the king, and went unto
their tents joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that the LORD had done for David
his servant, and for Israel his people.‡‡

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1 And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the LORD,
and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do,
2 That the LORD appeared to Solomon the second time, as he had appeared unto him at
Gibeon.
3 And the LORD said unto him, I have heard thy prayer and thy supplication, that thou
hast made before me: I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built, to put my name
there for ever; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.
4 And if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, in integrity of heart, and in
uprightness, to do according to all that I have commanded thee, *and* wilt keep my statutes
and my judgments:
5 Then I will establish the throne of thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, as I promised to
David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.
6 *But* if ye shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my
commandments *and* my statutes which I have set before you, but go and serve other gods,
and worship them:
7 Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them; and this house, which
I have hallowed for my name, will I cast out of my sight; and Israel shall be a proverb and
a byword among all people:
8 And at this house, *which* is high, every one that passeth by it shall be astonished, and
shall hiss; and they shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and to this
house?

** **8:56** failed: Heb. fallen †† **8:59** at all...: Heb. the thing of a day in his day ‡‡ **8:66** blessed: or, thanked

9 And they shall answer, Because they forsook the LORD their God, who brought forth
their fathers out of the land of Egypt, and have taken hold upon other gods, and have
worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath the LORD brought upon them all this
evil.
10 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, when Solomon had built the two
houses, the house of the LORD, and the king's house,
11 (*Now* Hiram the king of Tyre had furnished Solomon with cedar trees and fir trees, and
with gold, according to all his desire,) that then king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in
the land of Galilee.
12 And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities which Solomon had given him; and
they pleased him not.*
13 And he said, What cities *are* these which thou hast given me, my brother? And he called
them the land of Cabul unto this day.†
14 And Hiram sent to the king sixscore talents of gold.
15 ¶ And this *is* the reason of the levy which king Solomon raised; for to build the house
of the LORD, and his own house, and Millo, and the wall of Jerusalem, and Hazor, and
Megiddo, and Gezer.
16 *For* Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up, and taken Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and
slain the Canaanites that dwelt in the city, and given it *for* a present unto his daughter,
Solomon's wife.
17 And Solomon built Gezer, and Beth-horon the nether,
18 And Baalath, and Tadmor in the wilderness, in the land,
19 And all the cities of store that Solomon had, and cities for his chariots, and cities for
his horsemen, and that which Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and
in all the land of his dominion.‡
20 *And* all the people *that were* left of the Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites, and
Jebusites, which *were* not of the children of Israel,
21 Their children that were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel also
were not able utterly to destroy, upon those did Solomon levy a tribute of bondservice unto
this day.
22 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no bondmen: but they *were* men of
war, and his servants, and his princes, and his captains, and rulers of his chariots, and his
horsemen.
23 These *were* the chief of the officers that *were* over Solomon's work, five hundred and
fifty, which bare rule over the people that wrought in the work.
24 ¶ But Pharaoh's daughter came up out of the city of David unto her house which
Solomon had built for her: then did he build Millo.
25 ¶ And three times in a year did Solomon offer burnt offerings and peace offerings upon
the altar which he built unto the LORD, and he burnt incense upon the altar that *was* before
the LORD. So he finished the house.§
26 ¶ And king Solomon made a navy of ships in Ezion-geber, which *is* beside Eloth, on the
shore of the Red sea, in the land of Edom.**
27 And Hiram sent in the navy his servants, shipmen that had knowledge of the sea, with
the servants of Solomon.
28 And they came to Ophir, and fetched from thence gold, four hundred and twenty
talents, and brought *it* to king Solomon.

10

1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of
the LORD, she came to prove him with hard questions.
2 And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and
very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed
with him of all that was in her heart.
3 And Solomon told her all her questions: there was not *any* thing hid from the king,
which he told her not.*
4 And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he
had built,

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* **9:12** pleased...: Heb. were not right in his eyes † **9:13** Cabul: that is, displeasing, or, dirty ‡ **9:19** that which...: Heb. the desire of Solomon which he desired § **9:25** upon the altar that: Heb. upon it, etc ** **9:26** shore: Heb. lip
* **10:3** questions: Heb. words

5 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his
ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto
the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.†‡
6 And she said to the king, It was a true report that I heard in mine own land of thy acts
and of thy wisdom.§**
7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it:* and, behold,
the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.††
8 Happy *are* thy men, happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee,
and that hear thy wisdom.
9 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel:
because the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and
justice.
10 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great
store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which
the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.
11 And the navy also of Hiram, that brought gold from Ophir, brought in from Ophir great
plenty of almug trees, and precious stones.‡‡
12 And the king made of the almug trees pillars for the house of the LORD, and for the
king's house, harps also and psalteries for singers: there came no such almug trees, nor
were seen unto this day.§§
13 And king Solomon gave unto the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked,
beside *that* which Solomon gave her of his royal bounty. So she turned and went to her
own country, she and her servants.***
14 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred threescore
and six talents of gold,
15 Beside *that he had* of the merchantmen, and of the traffick of the spice merchants, and
of all the kings of Arabia, and of the governors of the country.†††
16 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets *of* beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of
gold went to one target.
17 And *he made* three hundred shields *of* beaten gold; three pound of gold went to one
shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.
18 ¶ Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with the best gold.
19 The throne had six steps, and the top of the throne *was* round behind: and *there were*
stays on either side on the place of the seat, and two lions stood beside the stays.‡‡‡§§§
20 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps: there
was not the like made in any kingdom.*
21 ¶ And all king Solomon's drinking vessels *were of* gold, and all the vessels of the house
of the forest of Lebanon *were of* pure gold; none *were of* silver: it was nothing accounted
of in the days of Solomon.†
22 For the king had at sea a navy of Tharshish with the navy of Hiram: once in three years
came the navy of Tharshish, bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks.‡
23 So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.
24 ¶ And all the earth sought to Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his
heart.§
25 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and
garments, and armour, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.
26 ¶ And Solomon gathered together chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and
four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the cities
for chariots, and with the king at Jerusalem.
27 And the king made silver *to be* in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he *to be* as the
sycomore trees that *are* in the vale, for abundance.**
28 ¶ And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants
received the linen yarn at a price.††

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† **10:5** attendance: Heb. standing ‡ **10:5** cupbearers: or, butlers § **10:6** report: Heb. word ** **10:6** acts: or, sayings †† **10:7** thy...: Heb. thou hast added wisdom and goodness to ‡‡ **10:11** almug...: also called, algum trees §§ **10:12** pillars: or, rails: Heb. a prop *** **10:13** of his...: Heb. according to the hand of king Solomon ††† **10:15** governors: or, captains ‡‡‡ **10:19** behind: Heb. on the hinder part thereof §§§ **10:19** stays: Heb. hands * **10:20** the like: Heb. so † **10:21** none...: or, there was no silver in them ‡ **10:22** ivory: or, elephants' teeth § **10:24** sought to: Heb. sought the face of ** **10:27** made: Heb. gave †† **10:28** And Solomon...: Heb. And the going forth of the horses which was Solomon's

29 And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an
horse for an hundred and fifty: and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of
Syria, did they bring *them* out by their means.‡‡

11

1 But king Solomon loved many strange women, together with the daughter of Pharaoh,
women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, *and* Hittites;*
2 Of the nations *concerning* which the LORD said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not
go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: *for* surely they will turn away your heart
after their gods: Solomon clave unto these in love.
3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines: and his
wives turned away his heart.
4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, *that* his wives turned away his heart after
other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as *was* the heart of David
his father.
5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after Milcom the
abomination of the Ammonites.†
6 And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and went not fully after the LORD, as *did*
David his father.‡
7 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the
hill that *is* before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon.
8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto
their gods.
9 ¶ And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the LORD
God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,
10 And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods:
but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.
11 Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this is done of thee, and thou
hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely
rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.§
12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for David thy father's sake: *but* I will rend
it out of the hand of thy son.
13 Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; *but* will give one tribe to thy son for
David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen.
14 ¶ And the LORD stirred up an adversary unto Solomon, Hadad the Edomite: he *was* of
the king's seed in Edom.
15 For it came to pass, when David was in Edom, and Joab the captain of the host was gone
up to bury the slain, after he had smitten every male in Edom;
16 (For six months did Joab remain there with all Israel, until he had cut off every male
in Edom:)
17 That Hadad fled, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with him, to go into
Egypt; Hadad *being* yet a little child.
18 And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran: and they took men with them out of
Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto Pharaoh king of Egypt; which gave him an house, and
appointed him victuals, and gave him land.
19 And Hadad found great favour in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he gave him to wife the
sister of his own wife, the sister of Tahpenes the queen.
20 And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his son, whom Tahpenes weaned in
Pharaoh's house: and Genubath was in Pharaoh's household among the sons of Pharaoh.
21 And when Hadad heard in Egypt that David slept with his fathers, and that Joab the
captain of the host was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh, Let me depart, that I may go to mine
own country.**
22 Then Pharaoh said unto him, But what hast thou lacked with me, that, behold, thou
seekest to go to thine own country? And he answered, Nothing: howbeit let me go in any
wise.††
23 ¶ And God stirred him up *another* adversary, Rezon the son of Eliadah, which fled from
his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah:

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‡‡ **10:29** by their...: Heb. by their hand * **11:1** together...: or, beside † **11:5** Milcom: also called, Molech ‡ **11:6** went...: Heb. fulfilled not after § **11:11** is done...: Heb. is with thee ** **11:21** Let...: Heb. Send me away †† **11:22** Nothing: Heb. Not

24 And he gathered men unto him, and became captain over a band, when David slew them *of Zobah:* and they went to Damascus, and dwelt therein, and reigned in Damascus.
25 And he was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon, beside the mischief that Hadad *did:* and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria.
26 ¶ And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomon's servant, whose mother's name *was* Zeruah, a widow woman, even he lifted up *his* hand against the king.
27 And this *was* the cause that he lifted up *his* hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, *and* repaired the breaches of the city of David his father.‡‡
28 And the man Jeroboam *was* a mighty man of valour: and Solomon seeing the young man that he was industrious, he made him ruler over all the charge of the house of Joseph.§§***
29 And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two *were* alone in the field:
30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that *was* on him, and rent it *in* twelve pieces:
31 And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Behold, I will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee:
32 (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:)
33 Because that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and have not walked in my ways, to do *that which is* right in mine eyes, and *to keep* my statutes and my judgments, as *did* David his father.
34 Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand: but I will make him prince all the days of his life for David my servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes:
35 But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it unto thee, *even* ten tribes.
36 And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there.†††
37 And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel.
38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do *that is* right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee.
39 And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not for ever.
40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.
41 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, *are* they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon?‡‡‡
42 And the time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel *was* forty years.§§§
43 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.*

12

1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.
2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was yet in Egypt, heard *of it*, (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)
3 That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,
4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.
5 And he said unto them, Depart yet *for* three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

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‡‡ **11:27** repaired: Heb. closed §§ **11:28** was industrious: Heb. did work *** **11:28** charge: Heb. burden
††† **11:36** light: Heb. lamp, or, candle ‡‡‡ **11:41** acts: or, words, or, things §§§ **11:42** time: Heb. days * **11:43** Rehoboam: Gr. Roboam

6 ¶ And king Rehoboam consulted with the old men, that stood before Solomon his father
while he yet lived, and said, How do ye advise that I may answer this people?
7 And they spake unto him, saying, If thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and
wilt serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be thy
servants for ever.
8 But he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given him, and consulted
with the young men that were grown up with him, *and* which stood before him:
9 And he said unto them, What counsel give ye that we may answer this people, who have
spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter?
10 And the young men that were grown up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt
thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy,
but make thou *it* lighter unto us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little *finger* shall be
thicker than my father's loins.
11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke:
my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.
12 ¶ So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had
appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.
13 And the king answered the people roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they
gave him;*
14 And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your
yoke heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father *also* chastised you with whips, but I will
chastise you with scorpions.
15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the LORD,
that he might perform his saying, which the LORD spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto
Jeroboam the son of Nebat.
16 ¶ So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them, the people answered
the king, saying, What portion have we in David? neither *have we* inheritance in the son of
Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine own house, David. So Israel departed unto
their tents.
17 But *as for* the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned
over them.
18 Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who *was* over the tribute; and all Israel stoned
him with stones, that he died. Therefore king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his
chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.†
19 So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.‡
20 And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they
sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was
none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.
21 ¶ And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah,
with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men, which were
warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the
son of Solomon.
22 But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying,
23 Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of
Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people, saying,
24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of
Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is from me. They hearkened therefore
to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.
25 ¶ Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out
from thence, and built Penuel.
26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:
27 If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall
the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, *even* unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and
they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.
28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves *of* gold, and said unto them,
It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee
up out of the land of Egypt.
29 And he set the one in Beth-el, and the other put he in Dan.

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* **12:13** roughly: Heb. hardly † **12:18** made...: Heb. strengthened himself ‡ **12:19** rebelled: or, fell away

30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went *to worship* before the one, *even* unto
Dan.
31 And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people,
which were not of the sons of Levi.
32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month,
like unto the feast that *is* in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Beth-el,
sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the
high places which he had made.§**
33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Beth-el the fifteenth day of the
eighth month, *even* in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a
feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.††‡‡

13

1 And, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of the LORD unto Beth-
el: and Jeroboam stood by the altar to burn incense.*
2 And he cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith
the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name; and upon
thee shall he offer the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men's
bones shall be burnt upon thee.
3 And he gave a sign the same day, saying, This *is* the sign which the LORD hath spoken;
Behold, the altar shall be rent, and the ashes that *are* upon it shall be poured out.
4 And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God, which
had cried against the altar in Beth-el, that he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay
hold on him. And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not
pull it in again to him.
5 The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign
which the man of God had given by the word of the LORD.
6 And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Intreat now the face of the LORD
thy God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again. And the man of God
besought the LORD, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as *it was*
before.†
7 And the king said unto the man of God, Come home with me, and refresh thyself, and I
will give thee a reward.
8 And the man of God said unto the king, If thou wilt give me half thine house, I will not
go in with thee, neither will I eat bread nor drink water in this place:
9 For so was it charged me by the word of the LORD, saying, Eat no bread, nor drink water,
nor turn again by the same way that thou camest.
10 So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came to Beth-el.
11 ¶ Now there dwelt an old prophet in Beth-el; and his sons came and told him all the
works that the man of God had done that day in Beth-el: the words which he had spoken
unto the king, them they told also to their father.
12 And their father said unto them, What way went he? For his sons had seen what way
the man of God went, which came from Judah.
13 And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass. So they saddled him the ass: and he rode
thereon,
14 And went after the man of God, and found him sitting under an oak: and he said unto
him, *Art* thou the man of God that camest from Judah? And he said, I *am*.
15 Then he said unto him, Come home with me, and eat bread.
16 And he said, I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee: neither will I eat bread
nor drink water with thee in this place:
17 For it was said to me by the word of the LORD, Thou shalt eat no bread nor drink water
there, nor turn again to go by the way that thou camest.‡
18 He said unto him, I *am* a prophet also as thou *art;* and an angel spake unto me by the
word of the LORD, saying, Bring him back with thee into thine house, that he may eat bread
and drink water. *But* he lied unto him.
19 So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and drank water.
20 ¶ And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of the LORD came unto the
prophet that brought him back:

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§ **12:32** offered...: or, went up to the altar, etc ** **12:32** sacrificing: or, to sacrifice †† **12:33** offered...: or, went up to the altar, etc ‡‡ **12:33** and burnt...: Heb. to burn incense * **13:1** burn: or, offer † **13:6** the LORD, and: Heb. the face of the LORD, etc ‡ **13:17** it...: Heb. a word was

21 And he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith the
LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast not kept the
commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee,
22 But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of the which *the*
LORD did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy carcase shall not come unto the
sepulchre of thy fathers.
23 ¶ And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled
for him the ass, *to wit*, for the prophet whom he had brought back.
24 And when he was gone, a lion met him by the way, and slew him: and his carcase was
cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion also stood by the carcase.
25 And, behold, men passed by, and saw the carcase cast in the way, and the lion standing
by the carcase: and they came and told *it* in the city where the old prophet dwelt.
26 And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard *thereof*, he said, It *is*
the man of God, who was disobedient unto the word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath
delivered him unto the lion, which hath torn him, and slain him, according to the word of
the LORD, which he spake unto him.§
27 And he spake to his sons, saying, Saddle me the ass. And they saddled *him*.
28 And he went and found his carcase cast in the way, and the ass and the lion standing
by the carcase: the lion had not eaten the carcase, nor torn the ass.**
29 And the prophet took up the carcase of the man of God, and laid it upon the ass, and
brought it back: and the old prophet came to the city, to mourn and to bury him.
30 And he laid his carcase in his own grave; and they mourned over him, *saying*, Alas, my
brother!
31 And it came to pass, after he had buried him, that he spake to his sons, saying, When
I am dead, then bury me in the sepulchre wherein the man of God *is* buried; lay my bones
beside his bones:
32 For the saying which he cried by the word of the LORD against the altar in Beth-el,
and against all the houses of the high places which *are* in the cities of Samaria, shall surely
come to pass.
33 ¶ After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again of the
lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would, he consecrated him, and
he became *one* of the priests of the high places.††‡‡
34 And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut *it* off, and to destroy
it from off the face of the earth.

14

1 At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.
2 And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and disguise thyself, that thou be
not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and get thee to Shiloh: behold, there *is* Ahijah the
prophet, which told me that *I should be* king over this people.
3 And take with thee ten loaves, and cracknels, and a cruse of honey, and go to him: he
shall tell thee what shall become of the child.*†‡
4 And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of
Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes were set by reason of his age.§
5 ¶ And the LORD said unto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Jeroboam cometh to ask a thing of
thee for her son; for he *is* sick: thus and thus shalt thou say unto her: for it shall be, when
she cometh in, that she shall feign herself *to be* another *woman*.
6 And it was *so*, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the door, that
he said, Come in, thou wife of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself *to be* another? for I *am*
sent to thee *with* heavy *tidings*.**
7 Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Forasmuch as I exalted thee from
among the people, and made thee prince over my people Israel,
8 And rent the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it thee: and *yet* thou hast
not been as my servant David, who kept my commandments, and who followed me with
all his heart, to do *that* only *which was* right in mine eyes;
9 But hast done evil above all that were before thee: for thou hast gone and made thee
other gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and hast cast me behind thy back:

§ **13:26** torn: Heb. broken ** **13:28** torn: Heb. broken †† **13:33** made...: Heb. returned and made ‡‡ **13:33** consecrated...: Heb. filled his hand * **14:3** with...: Heb. in thine hand † **14:3** cracknels: or, cakes ‡ **14:3** cruse: or, bottle § **14:4** were...: Heb. stood for his hoariness ** **14:6** heavy: Heb. hard

10 Therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from
Jeroboam him that pisseth against the wall, *and* him that is shut up and left in Israel, and
will take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, as a man taketh away dung, till it be
all gone.
11 Him that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth in the field
shall the fowls of the air eat: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.
12 Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine own house: *and* when thy feet enter into the city,
the child shall die.
13 And all Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him: for he only of Jeroboam shall come
to the grave, because in him there is found *some* good thing toward the LORD God of Israel
in the house of Jeroboam.
14 Moreover the LORD shall raise him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house
of Jeroboam that day: but what? even now.
15 For the LORD shall smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water, and he shall root up
Israel out of this good land, which he gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond
the river, because they have made their groves, provoking the LORD to anger.
16 And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made
Israel to sin.
17 ¶ And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: *and* when she came
to the threshold of the door, the child died;
18 And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the
LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet.
19 And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, behold, they
are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.
20 And the days which Jeroboam reigned *were* two and twenty years: and he slept with
his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead.[††]
21 ¶ And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam *was* forty and one
years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city
which the LORD did choose out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his
mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess.
22 And Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they provoked him to jealousy with
their sins which they had committed, above all that their fathers had done.
23 For they also built them high places, and images, and groves, on every high hill, and
under every green tree.[‡‡]
24 And there were also sodomites in the land: *and* they did according to all the
abominations of the nations which the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.
25 ¶ And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, *that* Shishak king of Egypt
came up against Jerusalem:
26 And he took away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the
king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields of gold which Solomon
had made.
27 And king Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and committed *them* unto the
hands of the chief of the guard, which kept the door of the king's house.[§§]
28 And it was *so*, when the king went into the house of the LORD, that the guard bare
them, and brought them back into the guard chamber.
29 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the
book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
30 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all *their* days.
31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of
David. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess. And Abijam his son reigned
in his stead.[***]

15

1 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat reigned Abijam over
Judah.
2 Three years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Maachah, the
daughter of Abishalom.[*†]

[††] **14:20** slept: Heb. lay down [‡‡] **14:23** images: or, standing images, or, statues [§§] **14:27** guard: Heb. runners
[***] **14:31** Abijam: also called, Abijah: Gr. Abia [*] **15:2** Maachah...: also called, Michaiah the daughter of Uriel
[†] **15:2** Abishalom: also called, Absalom

3 And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him: and his heart
was not perfect with the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father.
4 Nevertheless for David's sake did the LORD his God give him a lamp in Jerusalem, to set
up his son after him, and to establish Jerusalem:‡
5 Because David did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, and turned not aside
from any *thing* that he commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of
Uriah the Hittite.
6 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life.
7 Now the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam.
8 And Abijam slept with his fathers; and they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his
son reigned in his stead.
9 ¶ And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel reigned Asa over Judah.
10 And forty and one years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was*
Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.§
11 And Asa did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, as *did* David his father.
12 And he took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed all the idols that his
fathers had made.
13 And also Maachah his mother, even her he removed from *being* queen, because she
had made an idol in a grove; and Asa destroyed her idol, and burnt *it* by the brook Kidron.**
14 But the high places were not removed: nevertheless Asa's heart was perfect with the
LORD all his days.
15 And he brought in the things which his father had dedicated, and the things which
himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels.††
16 ¶ And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.
17 And Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and built Ramah, that he might not
suffer any to go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.
18 Then Asa took all the silver and the gold *that were* left in the treasures of the house of
the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, and delivered them into the hand of his
servants: and king Asa sent them to Ben-hadad, the son of Tabrimon, the son of Hezion,
king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying,
19 *There is* a league between me and thee, *and* between my father and thy father: behold,
I have sent unto thee a present of silver and gold; come and break thy league with Baasha
king of Israel, that he may depart from me.‡‡
20 So Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of the hosts which he
had against the cities of Israel, and smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-beth-maachah, and all
Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali.
21 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard *thereof*, that he left off building of Ramah, and
dwelt in Tirzah.
22 Then king Asa made a proclamation throughout all Judah; none *was* exempted: and
they took away the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha had
builded; and king Asa built with them Geba of Benjamin, and Mizpah.§§
23 The rest of all the acts of Asa, and all his might, and all that he did, and the cities
which he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
Nevertheless in the time of his old age he was diseased in his feet.
24 And Asa slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his
father: and Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead.***
25 ¶ And Nadab the son of Jeroboam began to reign over Israel in the second year of Asa
king of Judah, and reigned over Israel two years.†††
26 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in his
sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.
27 ¶ And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar, conspired against him; and
Baasha smote him at Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel
laid siege to Gibbethon.
28 Even in the third year of Asa king of Judah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his
stead.

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‡ **15:4** lamp: or, candle § **15:10** mother's: that is, grandmother's ** **15:13** destroyed: Heb. cut off †† **15:15** things: Heb. holy ‡‡ **15:19** depart: Heb. go up §§ **15:22** exempted: Heb. free *** **15:24** Jehoshaphat: Gr. Josaphat ††† **15:25** began...: Heb. reigned

29 And it came to pass, when he reigned, *that* he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left
not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he had destroyed him, according unto the saying
of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite:
30 Because of the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his
provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger.
31 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
32 And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.
33 In the third year of Asa king of Judah began Baasha the son of Ahijah to reign over all
Israel in Tirzah, twenty and four years.
34 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his
sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.

16

1 Then the word of the LORD came to Jehu the son of Hanani against Baasha, saying,
2 Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust, and made thee prince over my people Israel;
and thou hast walked in the way of Jeroboam, and hast made my people Israel to sin, to
provoke me to anger with their sins;
3 Behold, I will take away the posterity of Baasha, and the posterity of his house; and will
make thy house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.
4 Him that dieth of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth of his in the
fields shall the fowls of the air eat.
5 Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his might, *are* they not written
in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
6 So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buried in Tirzah: and Elah his son reigned in
his stead.
7 And also by the hand of the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of the LORD
against Baasha, and against his house, even for all the evil that he did in the sight of the
LORD, in provoking him to anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of
Jeroboam; and because he killed him.
8 ¶ In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign
over Israel in Tirzah, two years.
9 And his servant Zimri, captain of half *his* chariots, conspired against him, as he was in
Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza steward of *his* house in Tirzah.*
10 And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of
Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead.
11 ¶ And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, *that* he
slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his
kinsfolks, nor of his friends.†
12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of the LORD,
which he spake against Baasha by Jehu the prophet,‡
13 For all the sins of Baasha, and the sins of Elah his son, by which they sinned, and by
which they made Israel to sin, in provoking the LORD God of Israel to anger with their
vanities.
14 Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of
the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
15 ¶ In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah did Zimri reign seven days
in Tirzah. And the people *were* encamped against Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the
Philistines.
16 And the people *that were* encamped heard say, Zimri hath conspired, and hath also
slain the king: wherefore all Israel made Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel
that day in the camp.
17 And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah.
18 And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that he went into the
palace of the king's house, and burnt the king's house over him with fire, and died,
19 For his sins which he sinned in doing evil in the sight of the LORD, in walking in the
way of Jeroboam, and in his sin which he did, to make Israel to sin.
20 Now the rest of the acts of Zimri, and his treason that he wrought, *are* they not written
in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

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* **16:9** steward...: Heb. which was over † **16:11** neither...: or, both his kinsmen and his friends ‡ **16:12** by: Heb. by the hand of

21 ¶ Then were the people of Israel divided into two parts: half of the people followed
Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king; and half followed Omri.
22 But the people that followed Omri prevailed against the people that followed Tibni the
son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri reigned.
23 ¶ In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to reign over Israel, twelve
years: six years reigned he in Tirzah.
24 And he bought the hill Samaria of Shemer for two talents of silver, and built on the hill,
and called the name of the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, owner of the hill,
Samaria.§
25 ¶ But Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the LORD, and did worse than all that *were*
before him.
26 For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sin wherewith
he made Israel to sin, to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.
27 Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might that he shewed, *are* they
not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
28 So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria: and Ahab his son reigned
in his stead.
29 ¶ And in the thirty and eighth year of Asa king of Judah began Ahab the son of Omri
to reign over Israel: and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty and
two years.
30 And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD above all that *were* before
him.
31 And it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam
the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Zidonians,
and went and served Baal, and worshipped him.**
32 And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.
33 And Ahab made a grove; and Ahab did more to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger
than all the kings of Israel that were before him.
34 ¶ In his days did Hiel the Beth-elite build Jericho: he laid the foundation thereof in
Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates thereof in his youngest *son* Segub, according to
the word of the LORD, which he spake by Joshua the son of Nun.

17

1 And Elijah the Tishbite, *who was* of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, *As* the
LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years,
but according to my word.*
2 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,
3 Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward, and hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that *is*
before Jordan.
4 And it shall be, *that* thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to
feed thee there.
5 So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the
brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.
6 And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the
evening; and he drank of the brook.
7 And it came to pass after a while, that the brook dried up, because there had been no
rain in the land.†
8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,
9 Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which *belongeth* to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have
commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.‡
10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold,
the widow woman *was* there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I
pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.
11 And as she was going to fetch *it*, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a
morsel of bread in thine hand.
12 And she said, *As* the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in
a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I *am* gathering two sticks, that I may go in
and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

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§ **16:24** Samaria: Heb. Shomeron ** **16:31** as if...: Heb. was it a light thing, etc * **17:1** Elijah: Heb. Elijahu: Gr. Elias † **17:7** after...: Heb. at the end of days ‡ **17:9** Zarephath: Gr. Sarepta

13 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go *and* do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a
little cake first, and bring *it* unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.
14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall
the cruse of oil fail, until the day *that* the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth.§
15 And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house,
did eat *many* days.**
16 *And* the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the
word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.††
17 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, *that* the son of the woman, the mistress of the
house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.
18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou
come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son?
19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried
him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed.
20 And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil
upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?
21 And he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and
said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again.‡‡§§
22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again,
and he revived.
23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house,
and delivered him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.
24 ¶ And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou *art* a man of God, *and*
that the word of the LORD in thy mouth *is* truth.

18

1 And it came to pass *after* many days, that the word of the LORD came to Elijah in the
third year, saying, Go, shew thyself unto Ahab; and I will send rain upon the earth.
2 And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab. And *there was* a sore famine in Samaria.
3 And Ahab called Obadiah, which *was* the governor of *his* house. (Now Obadiah feared
the LORD greatly:*†
4 For it was *so*, when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the LORD, that Obadiah took an
hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.)‡
5 And Ahab said unto Obadiah, Go into the land, unto all fountains of water, and unto all
brooks: peradventure we may find grass to save the horses and mules alive, that we lose
not all the beasts.§
6 So they divided the land between them to pass throughout it: Ahab went one way by
himself, and Obadiah went another way by himself.
7 ¶ And as Obadiah was in the way, behold, Elijah met him: and he knew him, and fell on
his face, and said, *Art* thou that my lord Elijah?
8 And he answered him, I *am:* go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*.
9 And he said, What have I sinned, that thou wouldest deliver thy servant into the hand
of Ahab, to slay me?
10 *As* the LORD thy God liveth, there is no nation or kingdom, whither my lord hath not
sent to seek thee: and when they said, *He is* not *there;* he took an oath of the kingdom and
nation, that they found thee not.
11 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*.
12 And it shall come to pass, *as soon as* I am gone from thee, that the Spirit of the LORD
shall carry thee whither I know not; and *so* when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find
thee, he shall slay me: but I thy servant fear the LORD from my youth.
13 Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the LORD, how
I hid an hundred men of the LORD's prophets by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread
and water?
14 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here:* and he shall slay me.
15 And Elijah said, *As* the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, I will surely shew
myself unto him to day.

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§ **17:14** sendeth: Heb. giveth ** **17:15** many...: or, a full year †† **17:16** by: Heb. by the hand of ‡‡ **17:21** stretched: Heb. measured §§ **17:21** into...: Heb. into his inward parts * **18:3** Obadiah: Heb. Obadiahu † **18:3** the governor...: Heb. over his house ‡ **18:4** Jezebel: Heb. Izebel § **18:5** that...: Heb. that we cut not off ourselves from the beasts

16 So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him: and Ahab went to meet Elijah.
17 ¶ And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, *Art* thou he that troubleth Israel?
18 And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.
19 Now therefore send, *and* gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.
20 So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together unto mount Carmel.
21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions? if the LORD *be* God, follow him: but if Baal, *then* follow him. And the people answered him not a word.**
22 Then said Elijah unto the people, I, *even* I only, remain a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets *are* four hundred and fifty men.
23 Let them therefore give us two bullocks; and let them choose one bullock for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under:* and I will dress the other bullock, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under:*
24 And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, It is well spoken.††
25 And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one bullock for yourselves, and dress *it* first; for ye *are* many; and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire *under*.
26 And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed *it*, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, hear us. But *there was* no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made.‡‡§§***
27 And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry aloud: for he *is* a god; either he is talking, or he is pursuing, or he is in a journey, *or* peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked.†††‡‡‡§§§
28 And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, till the blood gushed out upon them.*
29 And it came to pass, when midday was past, and they prophesied until the *time* of the offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that *there was* neither voice, nor any to answer, nor any that regarded.†‡
30 And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD *that was* broken down.
31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came, saying, Israel shall be thy name:
32 And with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.
33 And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and laid *him* on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour *it* on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.
34 And he said, Do *it* the second time. And they did *it* the second time. And he said, Do *it* the third time. And they did *it* the third time.
35 And the water ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.§
36 And it came to pass at *the time of* the offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou *art* God in Israel, and *that* I *am* thy servant, and *that* I have done all these things at thy word.
37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou *art* the LORD God, and *that* thou hast turned their heart back again.
38 Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that *was* in the trench.
39 And when all the people saw *it*, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he *is* the God; the LORD, he *is* the God.

** **18:21** opinions: or, thoughts †† **18:24** It is...: Heb. The word is good ‡‡ **18:26** hear: or, answer §§ **18:26** answered: or, heard *** **18:26** leaped...: or, leaped up and down at the altar ††† **18:27** aloud: Heb. with a great voice ‡‡‡ **18:27** he is talking: or, he meditateth §§§ **18:27** is pursuing: Heb. hath a pursuit * **18:28** the blood...: Heb. poured out blood upon them † **18:29** offering: Heb. ascending ‡ **18:29** that regarded: Heb. attention § **18:35** ran: Heb. went

40 And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And
they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there.**
41 ¶ And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for *there is* a sound of
abundance of rain.††
42 So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and he
cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees,
43 And said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up, and looked,
and said, *There is* nothing. And he said, Go again seven times.
44 And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold, there ariseth a little cloud
out of the sea, like a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, Prepare *thy chariot*,
and get thee down, that the rain stop thee not.‡‡
45 And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind,
and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel.
46 And the hand of the LORD was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before
Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.§§

19

1 And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the
prophets with the sword.
2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do *to me*, and more
also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.
3 And when he saw *that*, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which
belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there.
4 ¶ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under
a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now,
O LORD, take away my life; for I *am* not better than my fathers.*
5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and
said unto him, Arise *and* eat.
6 And he looked, and, behold, *there was* a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water
at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again.†
7 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said,
Arise *and* eat; because the journey *is* too great for thee.
8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days
and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.
9 ¶ And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the LORD
came to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah?
10 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of
Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with
the sword; and I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.
11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the LORD. And, behold, the
LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces
the rocks before the LORD; *but* the LORD *was* not in the wind: and after the wind an
earthquake; *but* the LORD *was* not in the earthquake:
12 And after the earthquake a fire; *but* the LORD *was* not in the fire: and after the fire a
still small voice.
13 And it was *so*, when Elijah heard *it*, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went
out, and stood in the entering in of the cave. And, behold, *there came* a voice unto him, and
said, What doest thou here, Elijah?
14 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: because the children
of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets
with the sword; and I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.
15 And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus:
and when thou comest, anoint Hazael *to be* king over Syria:
16 And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint *to be* king over Israel: and Elisha the son
of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shalt thou anoint *to be* prophet in thy room.‡
17 And it shall come to pass, *that* him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay:
and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay.

** **18:40** Take: or, Apprehend †† **18:41** a sound...: or, a sound of a noise of rain ‡‡ **18:44** Prepare: Heb. Tie, or, Bind §§ **18:46** to the...: Heb. till thou come to Jezreel * **19:4** for himself: Heb. for his life † **19:6** head: Heb. bolster ‡ **19:16** Elisha: Gr. Eliseus

18 Yet I have left *me* seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto
Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.§
19 ¶ So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who *was* plowing *with*
twelve yoke *of oxen* before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast
his mantle upon him.
20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father
and my mother, and *then* I will follow thee. And he said unto him, Go back again: for what
have I done to thee?**
21 And he returned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled
their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gave unto the people, and they did eat.
Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him.

20

1 And Ben-hadad the king of Syria gathered all his host together: and *there were* thirty
and two kings with him, and horses, and chariots: and he went up and besieged Samaria,
and warred against it.
2 And he sent messengers to Ahab king of Israel into the city, and said unto him, Thus
saith Ben-hadad,
3 Thy silver and thy gold *is* mine; thy wives also and thy children, *even* the goodliest, *are*
mine.
4 And the king of Israel answered and said, My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I *am*
thine, and all that I have.
5 And the messengers came again, and said, Thus speaketh Ben-hadad, saying, Although
I have sent unto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me thy silver, and thy gold, and thy wives,
and thy children;
6 Yet I will send my servants unto thee to morrow about this time, and they shall search
thine house, and the houses of thy servants; and it shall be, *that* whatsoever is pleasant in
thine eyes, they shall put *it* in their hand, and take *it* away.*
7 Then the king of Israel called all the elders of the land, and said, Mark, I pray you, and
see how this *man* seeketh mischief: for he sent unto me for my wives, and for my children,
and for my silver, and for my gold; and I denied him not.†
8 And all the elders and all the people said unto him, Hearken not *unto him*, nor consent.
9 Wherefore he said unto the messengers of Ben-hadad, Tell my lord the king, All that
thou didst send for to thy servant at the first I will do: but this thing I may not do. And the
messengers departed, and brought him word again.
10 And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and said, The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the
dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that follow me.‡
11 And the king of Israel answered and said, Tell *him*, Let not him that girdeth on *his*
harness boast himself as he that putteth it off.
12 And it came to pass, when *Ben-hadad* heard this message, as he *was* drinking, he and
the kings in the pavilions, that he said unto his servants, Set *yourselves in array*. And they
set *themselves in array* against the city.§**††
13 ¶ And, behold, there came a prophet unto Ahab king of Israel, saying, Thus saith the
LORD, Hast thou seen all this great multitude? behold, I will deliver it into thine hand this
day; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.‡‡
14 And Ahab said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD, *Even* by the young men of
the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who shall order the battle? And he answered,
Thou.§§***
15 Then he numbered the young men of the princes of the provinces, and they were two
hundred and thirty two: and after them he numbered all the people, *even* all the children
of Israel, *being* seven thousand.
16 And they went out at noon. But Ben-hadad *was* drinking himself drunk in the
pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him.
17 And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out first; and Ben-hadad sent
out, and they told him, saying, There are men come out of Samaria.

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§ **19:18** I have...: or, I will leave ** **19:20** Go...: Heb. Go return * **20:6** pleasant: Heb. desirable † **20:7** I denied...: Heb. I kept not back from him ‡ **20:10** follow...: Heb. are at my feet § **20:12** message: Heb. word ** **20:12** pavilions: or, tents †† **20:12** Set yourselves...: or, Place the engines. And they placed the engines ‡‡ **20:13** came: Heb. approached §§ **20:14** young...: or, servants *** **20:14** order: Heb. bind, or, tie

18 And he said, Whether they be come out for peace, take them alive; or whether they be
come out for war, take them alive.
19 So these young men of the princes of the provinces came out of the city, and the army
which followed them.
20 And they slew every one his man: and the Syrians fled; and Israel pursued them: and
Ben-hadad the king of Syria escaped on an horse with the horsemen.
21 And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and chariots, and slew the
Syrians with a great slaughter.
22 ¶ And the prophet came to the king of Israel, and said unto him, Go, strengthen thyself,
and mark, and see what thou doest: for at the return of the year the king of Syria will come
up against thee.
23 And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their gods *are* gods of the hills;
therefore they were stronger than we; but let us fight against them in the plain, and surely
we shall be stronger than they.
24 And do this thing, Take the kings away, every man out of his place, and put captains in
their rooms:
25 And number thee an army, like the army that thou hast lost, horse for horse, and
chariot for chariot: and we will fight against them in the plain, *and* surely we shall be
stronger than they. And he hearkened unto their voice, and did so.[†††]
26 And it came to pass at the return of the year, that Ben-hadad numbered the Syrians,
and went up to Aphek, to fight against Israel.[‡‡‡]
27 And the children of Israel were numbered, and were all present, and went against
them: and the children of Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids; but the
Syrians filled the country.[§§§]
28 ¶ And there came a man of God, and spake unto the king of Israel, and said, Thus saith
the LORD, Because the Syrians have said, The LORD *is* God of the hills, but he *is* not God
of the valleys, therefore will I deliver all this great multitude into thine hand, and ye shall
know that I *am* the LORD.
29 And they pitched one over against the other seven days. And *so* it was, that in the
seventh day the battle was joined: and the children of Israel slew of the Syrians an hundred
thousand footmen in one day.
30 But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city; and *there* a wall fell upon twenty and seven
thousand of the men *that were* left. And Ben-hadad fled, and came into the city, into an
inner chamber.[*]
31 ¶ And his servants said unto him, Behold now, we have heard that the kings of the
house of Israel *are* merciful kings: let us, I pray thee, put sackcloth on our loins, and ropes
upon our heads, and go out to the king of Israel: peradventure he will save thy life.
32 So they girded sackcloth on their loins, and *put* ropes on their heads, and came to the
king of Israel, and said, Thy servant Ben-hadad saith, I pray thee, let me live. And he said,
Is he yet alive? he *is* my brother.
33 Now the men did diligently observe whether *any thing would come* from him, and did
hastily catch *it:* and they said, Thy brother Ben-hadad. Then he said, Go ye, bring him.
Then Ben-hadad came forth to him; and he caused him to come up into the chariot.
34 And *Ben-hadad* said unto him, The cities, which my father took from thy father, I will
restore; and thou shalt make streets for thee in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria.
Then *said Ahab*, I will send thee away with this covenant. So he made a covenant with him,
and sent him away.[†]
35 ¶ And a certain man of the sons of the prophets said unto his neighbour in the word of
the LORD, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man refused to smite him.
36 Then said he unto him, Because thou hast not obeyed the voice of the LORD, behold, as
soon as thou art departed from me, a lion shall slay thee. And as soon as he was departed
from him, a lion found him, and slew him.
37 Then he found another man, and said, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man smote him,
so that in smiting he wounded *him*.[‡]
38 So the prophet departed, and waited for the king by the way, and disguised himself
with ashes upon his face.

[†††] **20:25** that thou...: Heb. that was fallen [‡‡‡] **20:26** to fight...: Heb. to the war with Israel [§§§] **20:27** were all...: or, were nourished [*] **20:30** into an...: or, from chamber to chamber: Heb. into a chamber within a chamber [†] **20:34** streets: or, market places [‡] **20:37** so that...: Heb. smiting and wounding

39 And as the king passed by, he cried unto the king: and he said, Thy servant went out
into the midst of the battle; and, behold, a man turned aside, and brought a man unto me,
and said, Keep this man: if by any means he be missing, then shall thy life be for his life, or
else thou shalt pay a talent of silver.§
40 And as thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone. And the king of Israel said
unto him, So *shall* thy judgment *be;* thyself hast decided *it*.**
41 And he hasted, and took the ashes away from his face; and the king of Israel discerned
him that he *was* of the prophets.
42 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Because thou hast let go out of *thy* hand a
man whom I appointed to utter destruction, therefore thy life shall go for his life, and thy
people for his people.
43 And the king of Israel went to his house heavy and displeased, and came to Samaria.

21

1 And it came to pass after these things, *that* Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard, which
was in Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.
2 And Ahab spake unto Naboth, saying, Give me thy vineyard, that I may have it for
a garden of herbs, because it *is* near unto my house: and I will give thee for it a better
vineyard than it; *or*, if it seem good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money.*
3 And Naboth said to Ahab, The LORD forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of
my fathers unto thee.
4 And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the word which Naboth
the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, I will not give thee the inheritance of my
fathers. And he laid him down upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no
bread.
5 ¶ But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is thy spirit so sad, that thou
eatest no bread?
6 And he said unto her, Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him,
Give me thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee *another* vineyard
for it: and he answered, I will not give thee my vineyard.
7 And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise,
and eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the
Jezreelite.
8 So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed *them* with his seal, and sent the letters
unto the elders and to the nobles that *were* in his city, dwelling with Naboth.
9 And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the
people:†
10 And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou
didst blaspheme God and the king. And *then* carry him out, and stone him, that he may die.
11 And the men of his city, *even* the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his
city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, *and* as it *was* written in the letters which she had
sent unto them.
12 They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.
13 And there came in two men, children of Belial, and sat before him: and the men of
Belial witnessed against him, *even* against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying,
Naboth did blaspheme God and the king. Then they carried him forth out of the city, and
stoned him with stones, that he died.
14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead.
15 ¶ And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that
Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which
he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead.
16 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go
down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.
17 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,
18 Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which *is* in Samaria: behold, *he is* in the
vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it.
19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou killed, and also
taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, In the place
where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.

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§ **20:39** pay: Heb. weigh ** **20:40** he was...: Heb. he was not * **21:2** seem...: Heb. be good in thine eyes † **21:9** on high...: Heb. in the top of the people

20 And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have
found *thee:* because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the LORD.
21 Behold, I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off
from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel,
22 And will make thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the
house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked *me*
to anger, and made Israel to sin.
23 And of Jezebel also spake the LORD, saying, The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of
Jezreel.‡
24 Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall
the fowls of the air eat.
25 ¶ But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the
sight of the LORD, whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.§
26 And he did very abominably in following idols, according to all *things* as did the
Amorites, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.
27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put
sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly.
28 And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,
29 Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself
before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: *but* in his son's days will I bring the evil
upon his house.

22

1 And they continued three years without war between Syria and Israel.
2 And it came to pass in the third year, that Jehoshaphat the king of Judah came down to
the king of Israel.
3 And the king of Israel said unto his servants, Know ye that Ramoth in Gilead *is* ours,
and we *be* still, *and* take it not out of the hand of the king of Syria?*
4 And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Wilt thou go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead? And
Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, I *am* as thou *art*, my people as thy people, my horses
as thy horses.
5 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the
LORD to day.
6 Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets together, about four hundred men, and
said unto them, Shall I go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said,
Go up; for the Lord shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.
7 And Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD besides, that we might
enquire of him?
8 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, *There is* yet one man, Micaiah the son of
Imlah, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy
good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.
9 Then the king of Israel called an officer, and said, Hasten *hither* Micaiah the son of
Imlah.†
10 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat each on his throne, having
put on their robes, in a void place in the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the
prophets prophesied before them.‡
11 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron: and he said, Thus saith
the LORD, With these shalt thou push the Syrians, until thou have consumed them.
12 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for
the LORD shall deliver *it* into the king's hand.
13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying, Behold now,
the words of the prophets *declare* good unto the king with one mouth: let thy word, I pray
thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak *that which is* good.
14 And Micaiah said, *As* the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak.
15 ¶ So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go against
Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And he answered him, Go, and prosper: for
the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.
16 And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou tell me
nothing but *that which is* true in the name of the LORD?

‡ **21:23** wall: or, ditch § **21:25** stirred...: or, incited * **22:3** still...: Heb. silent from taking it † **22:9** officer: or, eunuch ‡ **22:10** void...: Heb. floor

17 And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills, as sheep that have not a shepherd:
and the LORD said, These have no master: let them return every man to his house in peace.
18 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy
no good concerning me, but evil?
19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his
throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left.
20 And the LORD said, Who shall persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-
gilead? And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner.§
21 And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will persuade
him.
22 And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be
a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, Thou shalt persuade *him*, and
prevail also: go forth, and do so.
23 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these thy
prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee.
24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and
said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?
25 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see in that day, when thou shalt go into an inner
chamber to hide thyself.**
26 And the king of Israel said, Take Micaiah, and carry him back unto Amon the governor
of the city, and to Joash the king's son;
27 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of
affliction and with water of affliction, until I come in peace.
28 And Micaiah said, If thou return at all in peace, the LORD hath not spoken by me. And
he said, Hearken, O people, every one of you.
29 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.
30 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and enter into the
battle; but put thou on thy robes. And the king of Israel disguised himself, and went into
the battle.††
31 But the king of Syria commanded his thirty and two captains that had rule over his
chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor great, save only with the king of Israel.
32 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said,
Surely it *is* the king of Israel. And they turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat
cried out.
33 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it *was* not the
king of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing him.
34 And a *certain* man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the
joints of the harness: wherefore he said unto the driver of his chariot, Turn thine hand,
and carry me out of the host; for I am wounded.‡‡§§***
35 And the battle increased that day: and the king was stayed up in his chariot against
the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood ran out of the wound into the midst of the
chariot.†††‡‡‡
36 And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the going down of the sun,
saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his own country.
37 ¶ So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in
Samaria.§§§
38 And *one* washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood;
and they washed his armour; according unto the word of the LORD which he spake.
39 Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the ivory house which he
made, and all the cities that he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of
the kings of Israel?
40 So Ahab slept with his fathers; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.
41 ¶ And Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab
king of Israel.

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§ **22:20** persuade: or, deceive ** **22:25** into...: or, from chamber to chamber: Heb. a chamber in a chamber †† **22:30** I will...: or, when he was to disguise himself, and enter into the battle ‡‡ **22:34** at a...: Heb. in his simplicity §§ **22:34** joints...: Heb. joints and the breastplate *** **22:34** wounded: Heb. made sick ††† **22:35** increased: Heb. ascended ‡‡‡ **22:35** midst: Heb. bosom §§§ **22:37** was brought: Heb. came

42 Jehoshaphat *was* thirty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned
twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Azubah the daughter of
Shilhi.
43 And he walked in all the ways of Asa his father; he turned not aside from it, doing *that*
which was right in the eyes of the LORD: nevertheless the high places were not taken away;
for the people offered and burnt incense yet in the high places.
44 And Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel.
45 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, and his might that he shewed, and how he
warred, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
46 And the remnant of the sodomites, which remained in the days of his father Asa, he
took out of the land.
47 *There was* then no king in Edom: a deputy *was* king.
48 Jehoshaphat made ships of Tharshish to go to Ophir for gold: but they went not; for
the ships were broken at Ezion-geber.*
49 Then said Ahaziah the son of Ahab unto Jehoshaphat, Let my servants go with thy
servants in the ships. But Jehoshaphat would not.
50 ¶ And Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of
David his father: and Jehoram his son reigned in his stead.
51 ¶ Ahaziah the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the seventeenth year
of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned two years over Israel.
52 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in the
way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin:
53 For he served Baal, and worshipped him, and provoked to anger the LORD God of
Israel, according to all that his father had done.

* **22:48** made...: or, had ten ships

The Second Book of the Kings
Commonly Called the Fourth Book of the Kings

1 Then Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab.
2 And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that *was* in Samaria, and
was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, enquire of Baal-zebub the god
of Ekron whether I shall recover of this disease.
3 But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers
of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, *Is it* not because *there is* not a God in Israel, *that*
ye go to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?
4 Now therefore thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which
thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.*
5 ¶ And when the messengers turned back unto him, he said unto them, Why are ye now
turned back?
6 And they said unto him, There came a man up to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn
again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, *Is it* not because
there is not a God in Israel, *that* thou sendest to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?
therefore thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt
surely die.
7 And he said unto them, What manner of man *was he* which came up to meet you, and
told you these words?†
8 And they answered him, *He was* an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about
his loins. And he said, It *is* Elijah the Tishbite.
9 Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and,
behold, he sat on the top of an hill. And he spake unto him, Thou man of God, the king hath
said, Come down.
10 And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I *be* a man of God, then let fire
come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And there came down fire from
heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.
11 Again also he sent unto him another captain of fifty with his fifty. And he answered
and said unto him, O man of God, thus hath the king said, Come down quickly.
12 And Elijah answered and said unto them, If I *be* a man of God, let fire come down from
heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And the fire of God came down from heaven, and
consumed him and his fifty.
13 ¶ And he sent again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of
fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said
unto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, be
precious in thy sight.‡
14 Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and burnt up the two captains of the
former fifties with their fifties: therefore let my life now be precious in thy sight.
15 And the angel of the LORD said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not afraid of him.
And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.
16 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to
enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, *is it* not because *there is* no God in Israel to enquire
of his word? therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up,
but shalt surely die.
17 ¶ So he died according to the word of the LORD which Elijah had spoken. And Jehoram
reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah;
because he had no son.
18 Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he did, *are* they not written in the book of
the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

2

1 And it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind,
that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.

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* **1:4** Thou shalt...: Heb. The bed whither thou art gone up, thou shalt not come down from it † **1:7** What...: Heb. What was the manner of the man ‡ **1:13** fell: Heb. bowed

2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Beth-
el. And Elisha said *unto him, As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee.
So they went down to Beth-el.
3 And the sons of the prophets that *were* at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and said unto
him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he
said, Yea, I know *it;* hold ye your peace.
4 And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to
Jericho. And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So
they came to Jericho.
5 And the sons of the prophets that *were* at Jericho came to Elisha, and said unto him,
Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he
answered, Yea, I know *it;* hold ye your peace.
6 And Elijah said unto him, Tarry, I pray thee, here; for the LORD hath sent me to Jordan.
And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two
went on.
7 And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood to view afar off: and they two
stood by Jordan.*
8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped *it* together, and smote the waters, and they
were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground.
9 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I
shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double
portion of thy spirit be upon me.
10 And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: *nevertheless*, if thou see me *when I am* taken
from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be *so*.†
11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, *there appeared* a
chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a
whirlwind into heaven.
12 ¶ And Elisha saw *it*, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the
horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent
them in two pieces.
13 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by
the bank of Jordan;‡
14 And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said,
Where *is* the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted
hither and thither: and Elisha went over.
15 And when the sons of the prophets which *were* to view at Jericho saw him, they said,
The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves
to the ground before him.
16 ¶ And they said unto him, Behold now, there be with thy servants fifty strong men; let
them go, we pray thee, and seek thy master: lest peradventure the Spirit of the LORD hath
taken him up, and cast him upon some mountain, or into some valley. And he said, Ye shall
not send.§**
17 And when they urged him till he was ashamed, he said, Send. They sent therefore fifty
men; and they sought three days, but found him not.
18 And when they came again to him, (for he tarried at Jericho,) he said unto them, Did I
not say unto you, Go not?
19 ¶ And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city
is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water *is* naught, and the ground barren.††
20 And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought *it* to him.
21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said,
Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more
death or barren *land*.
22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he
spake.
23 ¶ And he went up from thence unto Beth-el: and as he was going up by the way, there
came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou
bald head; go up, thou bald head.

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* **2:7** to view: Heb. in sight, or, over against † **2:10** Thou hast...: Heb. Thou hast done hard in asking ‡ **2:13** bank: Heb. lip § **2:16** strong...: Heb. sons of strength ** **2:16** some mountain: Heb. one of the mountains †† **2:19** barren: Heb. causing to miscarry

24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the LORD.
And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of
them.
25 And he went from thence to mount Carmel, and from thence he returned to Samaria.

3

1 Now Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the eighteenth year
of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned twelve years.
2 And he wrought evil in the sight of the LORD; but not like his father, and like his mother:
for he put away the image of Baal that his father had made.*
3 Nevertheless he cleaved unto the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel
to sin; he departed not therefrom.
4 ¶ And Mesha king of Moab was a sheepmaster, and rendered unto the king of Israel an
hundred thousand lambs, and an hundred thousand rams, with the wool.
5 But it came to pass, when Ahab was dead, that the king of Moab rebelled against the
king of Israel.
6 ¶ And king Jehoram went out of Samaria the same time, and numbered all Israel.
7 And he went and sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, saying, The king of Moab hath
rebelled against me: wilt thou go with me against Moab to battle? And he said, I will go up:
I *am* as thou *art*, my people as thy people, *and* my horses as thy horses.
8 And he said, Which way shall we go up? And he answered, The way through the
wilderness of Edom.
9 So the king of Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of Edom: and they fetched
a compass of seven days' journey: and there was no water for the host, and for the cattle
that followed them.†
10 And the king of Israel said, Alas! that the LORD hath called these three kings together,
to deliver them into the hand of Moab!
11 But Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD, that we may enquire
of the LORD by him? And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, Here *is*
Elisha the son of Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah.
12 And Jehoshaphat said, The word of the LORD is with him. So the king of Israel and
Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him.
13 And Elisha said unto the king of Israel, What have I to do with thee? get thee to the
prophets of thy father, and to the prophets of thy mother. And the king of Israel said unto
him, Nay: for the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand
of Moab.
14 And Elisha said, *As* the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, surely, were it not
that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, I would not look toward thee,
nor see thee.
15 But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the
hand of the LORD came upon him.
16 And he said, Thus saith the LORD, Make this valley full of ditches.
17 For thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye see rain; yet that valley
shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.
18 And this is *but* a light thing in the sight of the LORD: he will deliver the Moabites also
into your hand.
19 And ye shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good
tree, and stop all wells of water, and mar every good piece of land with stones.‡
20 And it came to pass in the morning, when the meat offering was offered, that, behold,
there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water.
21 ¶ And when all the Moabites heard that the kings were come up to fight against them,
they gathered all that were able to put on armour, and upward, and stood in the border.§**
22 And they rose up early in the morning, and the sun shone upon the water, and the
Moabites saw the water on the other side *as* red as blood:
23 And they said, This *is* blood: the kings are surely slain, and they have smitten one
another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil.††

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* **3:2** image: Heb. statue † **3:9** that...: Heb. at their feet ‡ **3:19** mar: Heb. grieve § **3:21** gathered: Heb. were cried together ** **3:21** put on...: Heb. gird himself with a girdle †† **3:23** slain: Heb. destroyed

24 And when they came to the camp of Israel, the Israelites rose up and smote the
Moabites, so that they fled before them: but they went forward smiting the Moabites, even
in *their* country.‡‡
25 And they beat down the cities, and on every good piece of land cast every man his
stone, and filled it; and they stopped all the wells of water, and felled all the good trees:
only in Kir-haraseth left they the stones thereof; howbeit the slingers went about *it*, and
smote it.§§
26 ¶ And when the king of Moab saw that the battle was too sore for him, he took with
him seven hundred men that drew swords, to break through *even* unto the king of Edom:
but they could not.
27 Then he took his eldest son that should have reigned in his stead, and offered him *for*
a burnt offering upon the wall. And there was great indignation against Israel: and they
departed from him, and returned to *their own* land.

4

1 Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha,
saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the
LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.
2 And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house?
And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.
3 Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, *even* empty vessels;
borrow not a few.*
4 And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and
shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.
5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought *the*
vessels to her; and she poured out.
6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet
a vessel. And he said unto her, *There is* not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.
7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt,
and live thou and thy children of the rest.†
8 ¶ And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where *was* a great woman; and she
constrained him to eat bread. And *so* it was, *that* as oft as he passed by, he turned in thither
to eat bread.‡§
9 And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this *is* an holy man of God,
which passeth by us continually.
10 Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed,
and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he
shall turn in thither.
11 And it fell on a day, that he came thither, and he turned into the chamber, and lay there.
12 And he said to Gehazi his servant, Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her,
she stood before him.
13 And he said unto him, Say now unto her, Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all
this care; what *is* to be done for thee? wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the
captain of the host? And she answered, I dwell among mine own people.
14 And he said, What then *is* to be done for her? And Gehazi answered, Verily she hath
no child, and her husband is old.
15 And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door.
16 And he said, About this season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son.
And she said, Nay, my lord, *thou* man of God, do not lie unto thine handmaid.**
17 And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season that Elisha had said unto her,
according to the time of life.
18 ¶ And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the
reapers.
19 And he said unto his father, My head, my head. And he said to a lad, Carry him to his
mother.
20 And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till
noon, and *then* died.

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‡‡ **3:24** they went...: or, they smote in it even smiting §§ **3:25** only in...: Heb. until he left its stones in Kir-haraseth
* **4:3** borrow not...: or, scant not † **4:7** debt: or, creditor ‡ **4:8** it fell on a day: Heb. there was a day § **4:8** constrained him: Heb. laid hold on him ** **4:16** season: Heb. set time

21 And she went up, and laid him on the bed of the man of God, and shut *the door* upon
him, and went out.
22 And she called unto her husband, and said, Send me, I pray thee, one of the young men,
and one of the asses, that I may run to the man of God, and come again.
23 And he said, Wherefore wilt thou go to him to day? *it is* neither new moon, nor sabbath.
And she said, *It shall be* well.[††]
24 Then she saddled an ass, and said to her servant, Drive, and go forward; slack not *thy*
riding for me, except I bid thee.[‡‡]
25 So she went and came unto the man of God to mount Carmel. And it came to pass,
when the man of God saw her afar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant, Behold, *yonder is*
that Shunammite:
26 Run now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say unto her, *Is it* well with thee? *is it* well with
thy husband? *is it* well with the child? And she answered, *It is* well.
27 And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught him by the feet: but Gehazi
came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said, Let her alone; for her soul *is* vexed
within her: and the LORD hath hid *it* from me, and hath not told me.[§§]***
28 Then she said, Did I desire a son of my lord? did I not say, Do not deceive me?
29 Then he said to Gehazi, Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy
way: if thou meet any man, salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again:
and lay my staff upon the face of the child.
30 And the mother of the child said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not
leave thee. And he arose, and followed her.
31 And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the face of the child; but
there was neither voice, nor hearing. Wherefore he went again to meet him, and told him,
saying, The child is not awaked.[†††]
32 And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, *and* laid upon
his bed.
33 He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the LORD.
34 And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his
eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon the child;
and the flesh of the child waxed warm.
35 Then he returned, and walked in the house to and fro; and went up, and stretched
himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.[‡‡‡]
36 And he called Gehazi, and said, Call this Shunammite. So he called her. And when she
was come in unto him, he said, Take up thy son.
37 Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground, and took up her
son, and went out.
38 ¶ And Elisha came again to Gilgal: and *there was* a dearth in the land; and the sons of
the prophets *were* sitting before him: and he said unto his servant, Set on the great pot, and
seethe pottage for the sons of the prophets.
39 And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered
thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred *them* into the pot of pottage: for they
knew *them* not.
40 So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the
pottage, that they cried out, and said, O *thou* man of God, *there is* death in the pot. And they
could not eat *thereof*.
41 But he said, Then bring meal. And he cast *it* into the pot; and he said, Pour out for the
people, that they may eat. And there was no harm in the pot.[§§§]
42 ¶ And there came a man from Baal-shalisha, and brought the man of God bread of the
firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley, and full ears of corn in the husk thereof. And he said,
Give unto the people, that they may eat.*
43 And his servitor said, What, should I set this before an hundred men? He said again,
Give the people, that they may eat: for thus saith the LORD, They shall eat, and shall leave
thereof.
44 So he set *it* before them, and they did eat, and left *thereof*, according to the word of the
LORD.

[††] **4:23** well: Heb. peace [‡‡] **4:24** slack...: Heb. restrain not for me to ride [§§] **4:27** him...: Heb. by his feet *** **4:27** vexed: Heb. bitter [†††] **4:31** hearing: Heb. attention [‡‡‡] **4:35** to and fro: Heb. once hither and once thither [§§§] **4:41** harm: Heb. evil thing * **4:42** the husk...: or, his scrip, or, garment

5

1 Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master,
and honourable, because by him the LORD had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also
a mighty man in valour, *but he was* a leper.*†‡
2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the
land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.§
3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord *were* with the prophet that *is* in
Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.**††
4 And *one* went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that *is* of the
land of Israel.
5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And
he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand *pieces* of gold, and
ten changes of raiment.‡‡
6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto
thee, behold, I have *therewith* sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover
him of his leprosy.
7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes,
and said, *Am* I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover
a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel
against me.
8 ¶ And it was *so*, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent
his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him
come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.
9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house
of Elisha.
10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and
thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.
11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely
come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and strike his hand
over the place, and recover the leper.§§***†††
12 *Are* not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel?
may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.‡‡‡
13 And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, *if* the prophet
had bid thee *do some* great thing, wouldest thou not have done *it*? how much rather then,
when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?
14 Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying
of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was
clean.
15 ¶ And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood
before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that *there is* no God in all the earth, but in
Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take a blessing of thy servant.
16 But he said, *As* the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, I will receive none. And he urged
him to take *it;* but he refused.
17 And Naaman said, Shall there not then, I pray thee, be given to thy servant two mules'
burden of earth? for thy servant will henceforth offer neither burnt offering nor sacrifice
unto other gods, but unto the LORD.
18 In this thing the LORD pardon thy servant, *that* when my master goeth into the house
of Rimmon to worship there, and he leaneth on my hand, and I bow myself in the house of
Rimmon: when I bow down myself in the house of Rimmon, the LORD pardon thy servant
in this thing.
19 And he said unto him, Go in peace. So he departed from him a little way.§§§
20 ¶ But Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master hath spared
Naaman this Syrian, in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: but, *as* the LORD
liveth, I will run after him, and take somewhat of him.

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* **5:1** with: Heb. before † **5:1** honourable: or, gracious: Heb. lifted up, or, accepted in countenance ‡ **5:1** deliverance: or, victory § **5:2** waited...: Heb. was before ** **5:3** with: Heb. before †† **5:3** recover: Heb. gather in ‡‡ **5:5** with...: Heb. in his hand §§ **5:11** I thought: Heb. I said *** **5:11** I thought...: or, I said with myself, He will surely come out, etc: Heb. I said ††† **5:11** strike: Heb. move up and down ‡‡‡ **5:12** Abana: or, Amana §§§ **5:19** a little...: Heb. a little piece of ground

21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw *him* running after him, he
lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, *Is* all well?*
22 And he said, All *is* well. My master hath sent me, saying, Behold, even now there be
come to me from mount Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I
pray thee, a talent of silver, and two changes of garments.
23 And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents. And he urged him, and bound two
talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of garments, and laid *them* upon two of his
servants; and they bare *them* before him.
24 And when he came to the tower, he took *them* from their hand, and bestowed *them* in
the house: and he let the men go, and they departed.†
25 But he went in, and stood before his master. And Elisha said unto him, Whence *comest*
thou, Gehazi? And he said, Thy servant went no whither.‡
26 And he said unto him, Went not mine heart *with thee*, when the man turned again
from his chariot to meet thee? *Is it* a time to receive money, and to receive garments, and
oliveyards, and vineyards, and sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants?
27 The leprosy therefore of Naaman shall cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for ever.
And he went out from his presence a leper *as white* as snow.

6

1 And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell
with thee is too strait for us.
2 Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a beam, and let us
make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye.
3 And one said, Be content, I pray thee, and go with thy servants. And he answered, I will
go.
4 So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood.
5 But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said,
Alas, master! for it was borrowed.*
6 And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And he cut down
a stick, and cast *it* in thither; and the iron did swim.
7 Therefore said he, Take *it* up to thee. And he put out his hand, and took it.
8 ¶ Then the king of Syria warred against Israel, and took counsel with his servants,
saying, In such and such a place *shall be* my camp.†
9 And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware that thou pass not such
a place; for thither the Syrians are come down.
10 And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him
of, and saved himself there, not once nor twice.
11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called
his servants, and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us *is* for the king of Israel?
12 And one of his servants said, None, my lord, O king: but Elisha, the prophet that *is* in
Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber.‡
13 ¶ And he said, Go and spy where he *is*, that I may send and fetch him. And it was told
him, saying, Behold, *he is* in Dothan.
14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a great host: and they came by
night, and compassed the city about.§
15 And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an
host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas,
my master! how shall we do?**
16 And he answered, Fear not: for they that *be* with us *are* more than they that *be* with
them.
17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And
the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain *was*
full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.
18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and said, Smite this
people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the
word of Elisha.

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* **5:21** Is...: Heb. Is there peace? † **5:24** tower: or, secret place ‡ **5:25** no whither: Heb. not hither or thither * **6:5** axe head: Heb. iron † **6:8** camp: or, encamping ‡ **6:12** None: Heb. No § **6:14** great: Heb. heavy ** **6:15** the servant: or, the minister

19 ¶ And Elisha said unto them, This *is* not the way, neither *is* this the city: follow me, and
I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But he led them to Samaria.[††]
20 And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, LORD, open
the eyes of these *men*, that they may see. And the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw;
and, behold, *they were* in the midst of Samaria.
21 And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, My father, shall I smite
them? shall I smite *them*?
22 And he answered, Thou shalt not smite *them:* wouldest thou smite those whom thou
hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set bread and water before them,
that they may eat and drink, and go to their master.
23 And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he
sent them away, and they went to their master. So the bands of Syria came no more into
the land of Israel.
24 ¶ And it came to pass after this, that Ben-hadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and
went up, and besieged Samaria.
25 And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's
head was *sold* for fourscore *pieces* of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for
five *pieces* of silver.
26 And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him,
saying, Help, my lord, O king.
27 And he said, If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor,
or out of the winepress?[‡‡]
28 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said
unto me, Give thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow.
29 So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the next day, Give thy son,
that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son.[§§]
30 ¶ And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he rent
his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the people looked, and, behold, *he had*
sackcloth within upon his flesh.
31 Then he said, God do so and more also to me, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat
shall stand on him this day.
32 But Elisha sat in his house, and the elders sat with him; and *the king* sent a man from
before him: but ere the messenger came to him, he said to the elders, See ye how this son
of a murderer hath sent to take away mine head? look, when the messenger cometh, shut
the door, and hold him fast at the door: *is* not the sound of his master's feet behind him?
33 And while he yet talked with them, behold, the messenger came down unto him: and
he said, Behold, this evil *is* of the LORD; what should I wait for the LORD any longer?

7

1 Then Elisha said, Hear ye the word of the LORD; Thus saith the LORD, To morrow about
this time *shall* a measure of fine flour *be sold* for a shekel, and two measures of barley for
a shekel, in the gate of Samaria.
2 Then a lord on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God, and said, Behold,
if the LORD would make windows in heaven, might this thing be? And he said, Behold, thou
shalt see *it* with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof.[*]
3 ¶ And there were four leprous men at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to
another, Why sit we here until we die?
4 If we say, We will enter into the city, then the famine *is* in the city, and we shall die there:
and if we sit still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the
Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.
5 And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they
were come to the uttermost part of the camp of Syria, behold, *there was* no man there.
6 For the Lord had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise
of horses, *even* the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel
hath hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon
us.
7 Wherefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and
their asses, even the camp as it *was*, and fled for their life.

[††] **6:19** follow...: Heb. come ye after me [‡‡] **6:27** If...: or, Let not the LORD save thee [§§] **6:29** next: Heb. other
[*] **7:2** a lord...: Heb. a lord which belonged to the king leaning upon his hand

8 And when these lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp, they went into one tent,
and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid
it; and came again, and entered into another tent, and carried thence *also*, and went and
hid *it*.
9 Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day *is* a day of good tidings, and we
hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now
therefore come, that we may go and tell the king's household.†
10 So they came and called unto the porter of the city: and they told them, saying, We
came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, *there was* no man there, neither voice of
man, but horses tied, and asses tied, and the tents as they *were*.
11 And he called the porters; and they told *it* to the king's house within.
12 ¶ And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, I will now shew you what
the Syrians have done to us. They know that we *be* hungry; therefore are they gone out of
the camp to hide themselves in the field, saying, When they come out of the city, we shall
catch them alive, and get into the city.
13 And one of his servants answered and said, Let *some* take, I pray thee, five of the
horses that remain, which are left in the city, (behold, they *are* as all the multitude of Israel
that are left in it: behold, *I say*, they *are* even as all the multitude of the Israelites that are
consumed:) and let us send and see.‡
14 They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians,
saying, Go and see.
15 And they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way *was* full of garments and
vessels, which the Syrians had cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and
told the king.
16 And the people went out, and spoiled the tents of the Syrians. So a measure of fine
flour was *sold* for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, according to the word
of the LORD.
17 ¶ And the king appointed the lord on whose hand he leaned to have the charge of the
gate: and the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died, as the man of God had said,
who spake when the king came down to him.
18 And it came to pass as the man of God had spoken to the king, saying, Two measures of
barley for a shekel, and a measure of fine flour for a shekel, shall be to morrow about this
time in the gate of Samaria:
19 And that lord answered the man of God, and said, Now, behold, *if* the LORD should
make windows in heaven, might such a thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it
with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof.
20 And so it fell out unto him: for the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died.

8

1 Then spake Elisha unto the woman, whose son he had restored to life, saying, Arise, and
go thou and thine household, and sojourn wheresoever thou canst sojourn: for the LORD
hath called for a famine; and it shall also come upon the land seven years.
2 And the woman arose, and did after the saying of the man of God: and she went with
her household, and sojourned in the land of the Philistines seven years.
3 And it came to pass at the seven years' end, that the woman returned out of the land of
the Philistines: and she went forth to cry unto the king for her house and for her land.
4 And the king talked with Gehazi the servant of the man of God, saying, Tell me, I pray
thee, all the great things that Elisha hath done.
5 And it came to pass, as he was telling the king how he had restored a dead body to life,
that, behold, the woman, whose son he had restored to life, cried to the king for her house
and for her land. And Gehazi said, My lord, O king, this *is* the woman, and this *is* her son,
whom Elisha restored to life.
6 And when the king asked the woman, she told him. So the king appointed unto her a
certain officer, saying, Restore all that *was* hers, and all the fruits of the field since the day
that she left the land, even until now.*
7 ¶ And Elisha came to Damascus; and Ben-hadad the king of Syria was sick; and it was
told him, saying, The man of God is come hither.
8 And the king said unto Hazael, Take a present in thine hand, and go, meet the man of
God, and enquire of the LORD by him, saying, Shall I recover of this disease?

† **7:9** some...: Heb. we shall find punishment ‡ **7:13** in the city: Heb. in it * **8:6** officer: or, eunuch

9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a present with him, even of every good thing of
Damascus, forty camels' burden, and came and stood before him, and said, Thy son Ben-
hadad king of Syria hath sent me to thee, saying, Shall I recover of this disease?†
10 And Elisha said unto him, Go, say unto him, Thou mayest certainly recover: howbeit
the LORD hath shewed me that he shall surely die.
11 And he settled his countenance stedfastly, until he was ashamed: and the man of God
wept.‡
12 And Hazael said, Why weepeth my lord? And he answered, Because I know the evil
that thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their strong holds wilt thou set on fire, and
their young men wilt thou slay with the sword, and wilt dash their children, and rip up
their women with child.
13 And Hazael said, But what, *is* thy servant a dog, that he should do this great thing? And
Elisha answered, The LORD hath shewed me that thou *shalt be* king over Syria.
14 So he departed from Elisha, and came to his master; who said to him, What said Elisha
to thee? And he answered, He told me *that* thou shouldest surely recover.
15 And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took a thick cloth, and dipped *it* in water,
and spread *it* on his face, so that he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead.
16 ¶ And in the fifth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat *being* then
king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah began to reign.§
17 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned eight years
in Jerusalem.
18 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab: for the
daughter of Ahab was his wife: and he did evil in the sight of the LORD.
19 Yet the LORD would not destroy Judah for David his servant's sake, as he promised him
to give him alway a light, *and* to his children.**
20 ¶ In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a king over
themselves.
21 So Joram went over to Zair, and all the chariots with him: and he rose by night, and
smote the Edomites which compassed him about, and the captains of the chariots: and the
people fled into their tents.
22 Yet Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. Then Libnah revolted
at the same time.
23 And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of
the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
24 And Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David:
and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.††
25 ¶ In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of
Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign.
26 Two and twenty years old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one
year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Athaliah, the daughter of Omri king of
Israel.‡‡
27 And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did evil in the sight of the LORD,
as *did* the house of Ahab: for he *was* the son in law of the house of Ahab.
28 ¶ And he went with Joram the son of Ahab to the war against Hazael king of Syria in
Ramoth-gilead; and the Syrians wounded Joram.
29 And king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had
given him at Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of
Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was
sick.§§***†††

9

1 And Elisha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets, and said unto him,
Gird up thy loins, and take this box of oil in thine hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead:
2 And when thou comest thither, look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of
Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an
inner chamber;*

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† **8:9** with...: Heb. in his hand ‡ **8:11** stedfastly: Heb. and set it § **8:16** began...: Heb. reigned ** **8:19** light: Heb. candle, or, lamp †† **8:24** Ahaziah: also called, Azariah, and Jehoahaz ‡‡ **8:26** daughter: or, granddaughter §§ **8:29** which...: Heb. wherewith the Syrians had wounded *** **8:29** Ramah: called Ramoth ††† **8:29** sick: Heb. wounded * **9:2** inner...: Heb. chamber in a chamber

3 Then take the box of oil, and pour *it* on his head, and say, Thus saith the LORD, I have
anointed thee king over Israel. Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not.
4 ¶ So the young man, *even* the young man the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead.
5 And when he came, behold, the captains of the host *were* sitting; and he said, I have
an errand to thee, O captain. And Jehu said, Unto which of all us? And he said, To thee, O
captain.
6 And he arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on his head, and said unto
him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I have anointed thee king over the people of the
LORD, *even* over Israel.
7 And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of my
servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel.
8 For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth
against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel:
9 And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like
the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah:
10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and *there shall be* none to bury
her. And he opened the door, and fled.
11 ¶ Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and *one* said unto him, *Is* all well?
wherefore came this mad *fellow* to thee? And he said unto them, Ye know the man, and his
communication.
12 And they said, *It is* false; tell us now. And he said, Thus and thus spake he to me, saying,
Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel.
13 Then they hasted, and took every man his garment, and put *it* under him on the top of
the stairs, and blew with trumpets, saying, Jehu is king.†
14 So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram
had kept Ramoth-gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria.
15 But king Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians
had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.) And Jehu said, If it be your
minds, *then* let none go forth *nor* escape out of the city to go to tell *it* in Jezreel.‡§**
16 So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king
of Judah was come down to see Joram.
17 And there stood a watchman on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu
as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram said, Take an horseman, and send to meet
them, and let him say, *Is it* peace?
18 So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said, Thus saith the king, *Is it* peace?
And Jehu said, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me. And the watchman
told, saying, The messenger came to them, but he cometh not again.
19 Then he sent out a second on horseback, which came to them, and said, Thus saith the
king, *Is it* peace? And Jehu answered, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind
me.
20 And the watchman told, saying, He came even unto them, and cometh not again: and
the driving *is* like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth furiously.††‡‡
21 And Joram said, Make ready. And his chariot was made ready. And Joram king of Israel
and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out against Jehu,
and met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite.§§***
22 And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, *Is it* peace, Jehu? And
he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her
witchcrafts *are so* many?
23 And Joram turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, *There is* treachery, O
Ahaziah.
24 And Jehu drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram between his arms, and
the arrow went out at his heart, and he sunk down in his chariot.†††‡‡‡
25 Then said *Jehu* to Bidkar his captain, Take up, *and* cast him in the portion of the field of
Naboth the Jezreelite: for remember how that, when I and thou rode together after Ahab
his father, the LORD laid this burden upon him;

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† **9:13** is king: Heb. reigneth ‡ **9:15** Joram: Heb. Jehoram but not in verse sixteen § **9:15** had given: Heb. smote
** **9:15** let none...: Heb. let no escaper go, etc †† **9:20** driving: or, marching ‡‡ **9:20** furiously: Heb. in madness
§§ **9:21** Make ready: Heb. Bind *** **9:21** met: Heb. found ††† **9:24** drew...: Heb. filled his hand with a bow
‡‡‡ **9:24** sunk: Heb. bowed

26 Surely I have seen yesterday the blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, saith the
LORD; and I will requite thee in this plat, saith the LORD. Now therefore take *and* cast him
into the plat *of ground*, according to the word of the LORD.§§§*
27 ¶ But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw *this*, he fled by the way of the garden house.
And Jehu followed after him, and said, Smite him also in the chariot. *And they did so* at the
going up to Gur, which *is* by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo, and died there.
28 And his servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre
with his fathers in the city of David.
29 And in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah.
30 ¶ And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard *of it;* and she painted her face,
and tired her head, and looked out at a window.†
31 And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, *Had* Zimri peace, who slew his master?
32 And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who *is* on my side? who? And there
looked out to him two *or* three eunuchs.‡
33 And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and *some* of her blood was
sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.
34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed
woman, and bury her: for she *is* a king's daughter.
35 And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet,
and the palms of *her* hands.
36 Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This *is* the word of the LORD,
which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs
eat the flesh of Jezebel:§
37 And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of
Jezreel; *so* that they shall not say, This *is* Jezebel.

10

1 And Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria,
unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to them that brought up Ahab's *children*,
saying,*
2 Now as soon as this letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons *are* with you, and
there are with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and armour;
3 Look even out the best and meetest of your master's sons, and set *him* on his father's
throne, and fight for your master's house.
4 But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two kings stood not before him:
how then shall we stand?
5 And he that *was* over the house, and he that *was* over the city, the elders also, and the
bringers up *of the children*, sent to Jehu, saying, We *are* thy servants, and will do all that
thou shalt bid us; we will not make any king: do thou *that which is* good in thine eyes.
6 Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye *be* mine, and *if* ye will
hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me
to Jezreel by to morrow this time. Now the king's sons, *being* seventy persons, *were* with
the great men of the city, which brought them up.†
7 And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and
slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him *them* to Jezreel.
8 ¶ And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have brought the heads of
the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until
the morning.
9 And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the
people, Ye *be* righteous: behold, I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who
slew all these?
10 Know now that there shall fall unto the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which
the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD hath done *that* which he spake
by his servant Elijah.‡
11 So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men,
and his kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining.§

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§§§ **9:26** blood: Heb. bloods * **9:26** plat: or, portion † **9:30** painted...: Heb. put her eyes in painting ‡ **9:32** eunuchs: or, chamberlains § **9:36** by: Heb. by the hand of * **10:1** them...: Heb. nourishers † **10:6** mine: Heb. for me ‡ **10:10** by: Heb. by the hand of § **10:11** kinsfolks: or, acquaintance

12 ¶ And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. *And* as he *was* at the shearing
house in the way,**
13 Jehu met with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, Who *are* ye? And they
answered, We *are* the brethren of Ahaziah; and we go down to salute the children of the
king and the children of the queen.††‡‡
14 And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the
shearing house, *even* two and forty men; neither left he any of them.
15 ¶ And when he was departed thence, he lighted on Jehonadab the son of Rechab
coming to meet him: and he saluted him, and said to him, Is thine heart right, as my heart
is with thy heart? And Jehonadab answered, It is. If it be, give *me* thine hand. And he gave
him his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot.§§***
16 And he said, Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD. So they made him ride in
his chariot.
17 And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he
had destroyed him, according to the saying of the LORD, which he spake to Elijah.
18 ¶ And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them, Ahab served Baal a
little; *but* Jehu shall serve him much.
19 Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all his servants, and all his
priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great sacrifice *to do* to Baal; whosoever shall be
wanting, he shall not live. But Jehu did *it* in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy the
worshippers of Baal.
20 And Jehu said, Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal. And they proclaimed *it*.†††
21 And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshippers of Baal came, so that there
was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of
Baal was full from one end to another.‡‡‡
22 And he said unto him that *was* over the vestry, Bring forth vestments for all the
worshippers of Baal. And he brought them forth vestments.
23 And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal, and said unto
the worshippers of Baal, Search, and look that there be here with you none of the servants
of the LORD, but the worshippers of Baal only.
24 And when they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings, Jehu appointed
fourscore men without, and said, *If* any of the men whom I have brought into your hands
escape, *he that letteth him go*, his life *shall be* for the life of him.
25 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that
Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, Go in, *and* slay them; let none come forth. And
they smote them with the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast *them* out,
and went to the city of the house of Baal.§§§
26 And they brought forth the images out of the house of Baal, and burned them.*
27 And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made
it a draught house unto this day.
28 Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.
29 ¶ Howbeit *from* the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, Jehu
departed not from after them, *to wit*, the golden calves that *were* in Beth-el, and that *were*
in Dan.
30 And the LORD said unto Jehu, Because thou hast done well in executing *that which is*
right in mine eyes, *and* hast done unto the house of Ahab according to all that *was* in mine
heart, thy children of the fourth *generation* shall sit on the throne of Israel.
31 But Jehu took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel with all his heart:
for he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.†
32 ¶ In those days the LORD began to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them in all the
coasts of Israel;‡
33 From Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the
Manassites, from Aroer, which *is* by the river Arnon, even Gilead and Bashan.§**

** **10:12** shearing...: Heb. house of shepherds binding sheep †† **10:13** met with: Heb. found ‡‡ **10:13** to salute...: Heb. to the peace of, etc §§ **10:15** lighted on: Heb. found *** **10:15** saluted: Heb. blessed ††† **10:20** Proclaim: Heb. Sanctify ‡‡‡ **10:21** full...: or, so full that they stood mouth to mouth §§§ **10:25** the edge: Heb. the mouth * **10:26** images: Heb. statues † **10:31** took...: Heb. observed not ‡ **10:32** to cut: Heb. to cut off the ends § **10:33** eastward: Heb. toward the rising of the sun ** **10:33** even...: or, even to Gilead and Bashan

34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, *are* they not
written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
35 And Jehu slept with his fathers: and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his
son reigned in his stead.
36 And the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria *was* twenty and eight years.††

11

1 And when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and
destroyed all the seed royal.*
2 But Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of
Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons *which were* slain; and they hid him,
even him and his nurse, in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.†‡
3 And he was with her hid in the house of the LORD six years. And Athaliah did reign
over the land.
4 ¶ And the seventh year Jehoiada sent and fetched the rulers over hundreds, with the
captains and the guard, and brought them to him into the house of the LORD, and made a
covenant with them, and took an oath of them in the house of the LORD, and shewed them
the king's son.
5 And he commanded them, saying, This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you
that enter in on the sabbath shall even be keepers of the watch of the king's house;
6 And a third part *shall be* at the gate of Sur; and a third part at the gate behind the guard:
so shall ye keep the watch of the house, that it be not broken down.§
7 And two parts of all you that go forth on the sabbath, even they shall keep the watch of
the house of the LORD about the king.**
8 And ye shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand:
and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth
out and as he cometh in.
9 And the captains over the hundreds did according to all *things* that Jehoiada the priest
commanded: and they took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with
them that should go out on the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest.
10 And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give king David's spears and shields,
that *were* in the temple of the LORD.
11 And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, round about the king,
from the right corner of the temple to the left corner of the temple, *along* by the altar and
the temple.††
12 And he brought forth the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and *gave him* the
testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and
said, God save the king.‡‡
13 ¶ And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard *and* of the people, she came to the
people into the temple of the LORD.
14 And when she looked, behold, the king stood by a pillar, as the manner *was*, and the
princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all the people of the land rejoiced, and blew
with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, Treason, Treason.
15 But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the
host, and said unto them, Have her forth without the ranges: and him that followeth her
kill with the sword. For the priest had said, Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD.
16 And they laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which the horses came
into the king's house: and there was she slain.
17 ¶ And Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and the people, that
they should be the LORD's people; between the king also and the people.
18 And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and brake it down; his altars
and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before
the altars. And the priest appointed officers over the house of the LORD.§§
19 And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the guard, and all the
people of the land; and they brought down the king from the house of the LORD, and came
by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house. And he sat on the throne of the kings.

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†† **10:36** the time: Heb. the days were * **11:1** seed...: Heb. seed of the kingdom † **11:2** Jehosheba: also called, Jehoshabeath ‡ **11:2** Joash: also called, Jehoash § **11:6** that...: or, from breaking up ** **11:7** parts: or, companies: Heb. hands †† **11:11** corner: Heb. shoulder ‡‡ **11:12** God...: Heb. Let the king live §§ **11:18** officers: Heb. offices

20 And all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was in quiet: and they slew Athaliah
with the sword *beside* the king's house.
21 Seven years old *was* Jehoash when he began to reign.

12

1 In the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign; and forty years reigned he in
Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Zibiah of Beer-sheba.
2 And Jehoash did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD all his days wherein
Jehoiada the priest instructed him.
3 But the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense
in the high places.
4 ¶ And Jehoash said to the priests, All the money of the dedicated things that is brought
into the house of the LORD, *even* the money of every one that passeth *the account*, the
money that every man is set at, *and* all the money that cometh into any man's heart to
bring into the house of the LORD,*†‡
5 Let the priests take *it* to them, every man of his acquaintance: and let them repair the
breaches of the house, wheresoever any breach shall be found.
6 But it was *so, that* in the three and twentieth year of king Jehoash the priests had not
repaired the breaches of the house.§
7 Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and the *other* priests, and said unto
them, Why repair ye not the breaches of the house? now therefore receive no *more* money
of your acquaintance, but deliver it for the breaches of the house.
8 And the priests consented to receive no *more* money of the people, neither to repair the
breaches of the house.
9 But Jehoiada the priest took a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the
altar, on the right side as one cometh into the house of the LORD: and the priests that kept
the door put therein all the money *that was* brought into the house of the LORD.**
10 And it was *so*, when they saw that *there was* much money in the chest, that the king's
scribe and the high priest came up, and they put up in bags, and told the money that was
found in the house of the LORD.††‡‡
11 And they gave the money, being told, into the hands of them that did the work, that had
the oversight of the house of the LORD: and they laid it out to the carpenters and builders,
that wrought upon the house of the LORD,§§
12 And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone to repair the
breaches of the house of the LORD, and for all that was laid out for the house to repair *it*.***
13 Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers,
basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money *that was* brought
into the house of the LORD:
14 But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of the LORD.
15 Moreover they reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they delivered the money
to be bestowed on workmen: for they dealt faithfully.
16 The trespass money and sin money was not brought into the house of the LORD: it was
the priests'.
17 ¶ Then Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought against Gath, and took it: and Hazael
set his face to go up to Jerusalem.
18 And Jehoash king of Judah took all the hallowed things that Jehoshaphat, and Jehoram,
and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and
all the gold *that was* found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's
house, and sent *it* to Hazael king of Syria: and he went away from Jerusalem.†††
19 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
20 And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in the house of Millo,
which goeth down to Silla.‡‡‡

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* **12:4** dedicated things: or, holy things: Heb. holinesses † **12:4** that every...: Heb. of the souls of his estimation ‡ **12:4** cometh...: Heb. ascendeth upon the heart of a man § **12:6** three...: Heb. twentieth year and third year ** **12:9** door: Heb. threshold †† **12:10** scribe: or, secretary ‡‡ **12:10** put...: Heb. bound up §§ **12:11** laid...: Heb. brought it forth *** **12:12** was...: Heb. went forth ††† **12:18** went...: Heb. went up ‡‡‡ **12:20** the house...: or, Bethmillo

21 For Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants,
smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and
Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.

13

1 In the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah Jehoahaz the
son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* seventeen years.*
2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, and followed the sins of
Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.†
3 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the
hand of Hazael king of Syria, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael, all *their*
days.
4 And Jehoahaz besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened unto him: for he saw the
oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them.
5 (And the LORD gave Israel a saviour, so that they went out from under the hand of the
Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in their tents, as beforetime.‡
6 Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, who made Israel
sin, *but* walked therein: and there remained the grove also in Samaria.)§**
7 Neither did he leave of the people to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and
ten thousand footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them like
the dust by threshing.
8 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, *are* they not
written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
9 And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and Joash his son
reigned in his stead.††
10 ¶ In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began Jehoash the son of
Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* sixteen years.
11 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD; he departed not from all the
sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel sin: *but* he walked therein.
12 And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his might wherewith he fought
against Amaziah king of Judah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the
kings of Israel?
13 And Joash slept with his fathers; and Jeroboam sat upon his throne: and Joash was
buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.
14 ¶ Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of
Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O my father, my father, the
chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.
15 And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows. And he took unto him bow and
arrows.
16 And he said to the king of Israel, Put thine hand upon the bow. And he put his hand
upon it: and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands.‡‡
17 And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened *it*. Then Elisha said,
Shoot. And he shot. And he said, The arrow of the LORD's deliverance, and the arrow of
deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed
them.
18 And he said, Take the arrows. And he took *them*. And he said unto the king of Israel,
Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and stayed.
19 And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest have smitten five
or six times; then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed *it:* whereas now thou
shalt smite Syria *but* thrice.
20 ¶ And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the
land at the coming in of the year.
21 And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band *of
men;* and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man was let down,
and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.§§
22 ¶ But Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz.

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* **13:1** three...: Heb. twentieth year and third year † **13:2** followed: Heb. walked after ‡ **13:5** as beforetime: Heb. as yesterday, and third day § **13:6** walked: Heb. he walked ** **13:6** remained: Heb. stood †† **13:9** Joash: also called, Jehoash ‡‡ **13:16** Put thine...: Heb. Make thine hand to ride §§ **13:21** was...: Heb. went down

23 And the LORD was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and had respect
unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and would not destroy
them, neither cast he them from his presence as yet.***
24 So Hazael king of Syria died; and Ben-hadad his son reigned in his stead.
25 And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz took again out of the hand of Ben-hadad the son of
Hazael the cities, which he had taken out of the hand of Jehoahaz his father by war. Three
times did Joash beat him, and recovered the cities of Israel.†††

14

1 In the second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel reigned Amaziah the son of
Joash king of Judah.
2 He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine
years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.
3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, yet not like David his father:
he did according to all things as Joash his father did.
4 Howbeit the high places were not taken away: as yet the people did sacrifice and burnt
incense on the high places.
5 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, that he slew
his servants which had slain the king his father.
6 But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is written in
the book of the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not
be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every
man shall be put to death for his own sin.
7 He slew of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and took Selah by war, and called
the name of it Joktheel unto this day.*
8 ¶ Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of
Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face.
9 And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle that
was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that *was* in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son
to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that *was* in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.
10 Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and thine heart hath lifted thee up: glory *of this*, and
tarry at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to *thy* hurt, that thou shouldest fall, *even*
thou, and Judah with thee?†
11 But Amaziah would not hear. Therefore Jehoash king of Israel went up; and he and
Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at Beth-shemesh, which *belongeth*
to Judah.
12 And Judah was put to the worse before Israel; and they fled every man to their tents.‡
13 And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Jehoash the son of
Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem
from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred cubits.
14 And he took all the gold and silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of
the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and hostages, and returned to Samaria.
15 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might, and how he fought
with Amaziah king of Judah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings
of Israel?
16 And Jehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel;
and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead.
17 ¶ And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of
Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.
18 And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles
of the kings of Judah?
19 Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to Lachish; but they
sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there.
20 And they brought him on horses: and he was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in
the city of David.
21 ¶ And all the people of Judah took Azariah, which *was* sixteen years old, and made him
king instead of his father Amaziah.§
22 He built Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.

*** **13:23** presence: Heb. face ††† **13:25** took...: Heb. returned and took * **14:7** Selah: or, the rock † **14:10** at home: Heb. at thy house ‡ **14:12** put...: Heb. smitten § **14:21** Azariah: also called, Uzziah

23 ¶ In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of
Joash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria, *and reigned* forty and one years.
24 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from all the
sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
25 He restored the coast of Israel from the entering of Hamath unto the sea of the plain,
according to the word of the LORD God of Israel, which he spake by the hand of his servant
Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet, which *was* of Gath-hepher.
26 For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, *that it was* very bitter: for *there was* not any
shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel.
27 And the LORD said not that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven:
but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.
28 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he
warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, *which belonged* to Judah, for Israel,
are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
29 And Jeroboam slept with his fathers, *even* with the kings of Israel; and Zachariah his
son reigned in his stead.

15

1 In the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began Azariah son of
Amaziah king of Judah to reign.*
2 Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in
Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jecholiah of Jerusalem.
3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father
Amaziah had done;
4 Save that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense
still on the high places.
5 ¶ And the LORD smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and
dwelt in a several house. And Jotham the king's son *was* over the house, judging the people
of the land.
6 And the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
7 So Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of
David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.
8 ¶ In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of
Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months.
9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he
departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
10 And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the
people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.
11 And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, behold, they *are* written in the book of the
chronicles of the kings of Israel.
12 This *was* the word of the LORD which he spake unto Jehu, saying, Thy sons shall sit on
the throne of Israel unto the fourth *generation*. And so it came to pass.
13 ¶ Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and thirtieth year of Uzziah king
of Judah; and he reigned a full month in Samaria.†‡
14 For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote
Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.
15 And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they
are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.
16 ¶ Then Menahem smote Tiphsah, and all that *were* therein, and the coasts thereof from
Tirzah: because they opened not *to him*, therefore he smote *it; and* all the women therein
that were with child he ripped up.
17 In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began Menahem the son of Gadi
to reign over Israel, *and reigned* ten years in Samaria.
18 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not all his days
from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
19 *And* Pul the king of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem gave Pul a thousand
talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand.

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* **15:1** Azariah: also called, Uzziah † **15:13** Uzziah: Gr. Ozias ‡ **15:13** a full...: Heb. a month of days

20 And Menahem exacted the money of Israel, *even* of all the mighty men of wealth, of
each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned
back, and stayed not there in the land.§
21 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the
book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
22 And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead.
23 ¶ In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to
reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* two years.
24 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins
of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
25 But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired against him, and smote him
in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieh, and with him fifty men
of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room.
26 And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they *are* written in the
book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.
27 ¶ In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began
to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* twenty years.
28 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins
of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
29 In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon,
and Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all
the land of Naphtali, and carried them captive to Assyria.
30 And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and
smote him, and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth year of Jotham the son
of Uzziah.
31 And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they *are* written in the
book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.
32 ¶ In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began Jotham the son
of Uzziah king of Judah to reign.
33 Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years
in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jerusha, the daughter of Zadok.
34 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD: he did according to all that
his father Uzziah had done.
35 ¶ Howbeit the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burned
incense still in the high places. He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.
36 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
37 In those days the LORD began to send against Judah Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah
the son of Remaliah.
38 And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David
his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

16

1 In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son of Jotham king of
Judah began to reign.
2 Twenty years old *was* Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in
Jerusalem, and did not *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David
his father.
3 But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his son to pass through the
fire, according to the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before
the children of Israel.
4 And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every
green tree.
5 ¶ Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to
Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome *him*.
6 At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria, and drave the Jews from Elath:
and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day.*
7 So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I *am* thy servant and
thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of
the king of Israel, which rise up against me.

§ **15:20** exacted: Heb. caused to come forth * **16:6** from Elath: Heb. from Eloth

8 And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the
treasures of the king's house, and sent *it for* a present to the king of Assyria.
9 And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against
Damascus, and took it, and carried *the people of* it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.†
10 ¶ And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw an
altar that *was* at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar,
and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof.‡
11 And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from
Damascus: so Urijah the priest made *it* against king Ahaz came from Damascus.
12 And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king
approached to the altar, and offered thereon.
13 And he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and poured his drink offering,
and sprinkled the blood of his peace offerings, upon the altar.§
14 And he brought also the brasen altar, which *was* before the LORD, from the forefront
of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north
side of the altar.
15 And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the
morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and
his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat
offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering,
and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire *by*.
16 Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded.
17 ¶ And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them;
and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen that *were* under it, and put it upon a
pavement of stones.
18 And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry
without, turned he from the house of the LORD for the king of Assyria.
19 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the
chronicles of the kings of Judah?
20 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David:
and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

17

1 In the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in
Samaria over Israel nine years.
2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, but not as the kings of Israel
that were before him.
3 ¶ Against him came up Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant,
and gave him presents.*†
4 And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So
king of Egypt, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as *he had done* year by year:
therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison.‡
5 ¶ Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria,
and besieged it three years.
6 ¶ In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away
into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor *by* the river of Gozan, and in the cities
of the Medes.
7 For *so* it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against the LORD their God, which
had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of
Egypt, and had feared other gods,
8 And walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the
children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made.
9 And the children of Israel did secretly *those* things that *were* not right against the
LORD their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the
watchmen to the fenced city.
10 And they set them up images and groves in every high hill, and under every green
tree:§

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† **16:9** Damascus: Heb. Dammesek ‡ **16:10** Damascus: Heb. Dammesek § **16:13** his peace offerings: Heb. the peace offerings which were his * **17:3** gave: Heb. rendered † **17:3** presents: or, tribute ‡ **17:4** present: or, tribute § **17:10** images: Heb. statues

11 And there they burnt incense in all the high places, as *did* the heathen whom the LORD
carried away before them; and wrought wicked things to provoke the LORD to anger:
12 For they served idols, whereof the LORD had said unto them, Ye shall not do this thing.
13 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, *and by*
all the seers, saying, Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments *and* my
statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you
by my servants the prophets.**
14 Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks, like to the neck of
their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God.
15 And they rejected his statutes, and his covenant that he made with their fathers, and
his testimonies which he testified against them; and they followed vanity, and became
vain, and went after the heathen that *were* round about them, *concerning* whom the LORD
had charged them, that they should not do like them.
16 And they left all the commandments of the LORD their God, and made them molten
images, *even* two calves, and made a grove, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and
served Baal.
17 And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire, and used
divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, to
provoke him to anger.
18 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of his sight:
there was none left but the tribe of Judah only.
19 Also Judah kept not the commandments of the LORD their God, but walked in the
statutes of Israel which they made.
20 And the LORD rejected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted them, and delivered them
into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast them out of his sight.
21 For he rent Israel from the house of David; and they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat
king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from following the LORD, and made them sin a great sin.
22 For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed
not from them;
23 Until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had said by all his servants the
prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.
24 ¶ And the king of Assyria brought *men* from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from Ava,
and from Hamath, and from Sepharvaim, and placed *them* in the cities of Samaria instead
of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.
25 And *so* it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, *that* they feared not the LORD:
therefore the LORD sent lions among them, which slew *some* of them.
26 Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations which thou hast
removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not the manner of the God of the land:
therefore he hath sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them, because they know
not the manner of the God of the land.
27 Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, Carry thither one of the priests whom ye
brought from thence; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner
of the God of the land.
28 Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in
Beth-el, and taught them how they should fear the LORD.
29 Howbeit every nation made gods of their own, and put *them* in the houses of the high
places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt.
30 And the men of Babylon made Succoth-benoth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and
the men of Hamath made Ashima,
31 And the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak, and the Sepharvites burnt their children in
fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim.
32 So they feared the LORD, and made unto themselves of the lowest of them priests of
the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.
33 They feared the LORD, and served their own gods, after the manner of the nations
whom they carried away from thence.††
34 Unto this day they do after the former manners: they fear not the LORD, neither do
they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the law and commandment
which the LORD commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel;
35 With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, Ye shall not
fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:

** **17:13** by: Heb. by the hand of †† **17:33** whom...: or, who carried them away from thence

36 But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and a
stretched out arm, him shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do
sacrifice.
37 And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the commandment, which he
wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.
38 And the covenant that I have made with you ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear
other gods.
39 But the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all
your enemies.
40 Howbeit they did not hearken, but they did after their former manner.
41 So these nations feared the LORD, and served their graven images, both their children,
and their children's children: as did their fathers, so do they unto this day.

18

1 Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, *that* Hezekiah
the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.*
2 Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and
nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Abi, the daughter of Zachariah.†
3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his
father did.
4 ¶ He removed the high places, and brake the images, and cut down the groves, and
brake in pieces the brasen serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children
of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it Nehushtan.‡§
5 He trusted in the LORD God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the
kings of Judah, nor *any* that were before him.
6 For he clave to the LORD, *and* departed not from following him, but kept his command-
ments, which the LORD commanded Moses.**
7 And the LORD was with him; *and* he prospered whithersoever he went forth: and he
rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not.
8 He smote the Philistines, *even* unto Gaza, and the borders thereof, from the tower of the
watchmen to the fenced city.††
9 ¶ And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which *was* the seventh year
of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, *that* Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against
Samaria, and besieged it.
10 And at the end of three years they took it: *even* in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that *is* the
ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken.
11 And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in Halah and
in Habor *by* the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes:
12 Because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD their God, but transgressed his
covenant, *and* all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear
them, nor do *them*.
13 ¶ Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did Sennacherib king of Assyria come
up against all the fenced cities of Judah, and took them.‡‡
14 And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I have
offended; return from me: that which thou puttest on me will I bear. And the king of
Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty
talents of gold.
15 And Hezekiah gave *him* all the silver that was found in the house of the LORD, and in
the treasures of the king's house.
16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off *the gold from* the doors of the temple of the LORD,
and *from* the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave it to the king of
Assyria.§§
17 ¶ And the king of Assyria sent Tartan and Rabsaris and Rab-shakeh from Lachish
to king Hezekiah with a great host against Jerusalem. And they went up and came to
Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the upper
pool, which *is* in the highway of the fuller's field.***

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* **18:1** Hezekiah: he is called Ezekias † **18:2** Abi: also called, Abijah ‡ **18:4** images: Heb. statues § **18:4** Nehushtan: that is, A piece of brass ** **18:6** from...: Heb. from after him †† **18:8** Gaza: Heb. Azzah ‡‡ **18:13** Sennacherib: Heb. Sanherib §§ **18:16** it: Heb. them *** **18:17** great: Heb. heavy

18 And when they had called to the king, there came out to them Eliakim the son of
Hilkiah, which *was* over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph
the recorder.†††
19 And Rab-shakeh said unto them, Speak ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king,
the king of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?
20 Thou sayest, (but *they are but* vain words,) *I have* counsel and strength for the war.
Now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?‡‡‡§§§*
21 Now, behold, thou trustest upon the staff of this bruised reed, *even* upon Egypt, on
which if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt unto
all that trust on him.†
22 But if ye say unto me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is* not that he, whose high places
and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath said to Judah and Jerusalem, Ye shall
worship before this altar in Jerusalem?
23 Now therefore, I pray thee, give pledges to my lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliver
thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.‡
24 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's
servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?
25 Am I now come up without the LORD against this place to destroy it? The LORD said
to me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.
26 Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto Rab-shakeh, Speak,
I pray thee, to thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand *it:* and talk not with
us in the Jews' language in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.
27 But Rab-shakeh said unto them, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to
speak these words? *hath he* not *sent me* to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat
their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?§
28 Then Rab-shakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake,
saying, Hear the word of the great king, the king of Assyria:
29 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver
you out of his hand:
30 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver
us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.
31 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, Make *an agreement* with
me by a present, and come out to me, and *then* eat ye every man of his own vine, and every
one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his cistern:**††
32 Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a
land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye may live, and not die:
and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he persuadeth you, saying, The LORD will deliver
us.‡‡
33 Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered at all his land out of the hand of the king
of Assyria?
34 Where *are* the gods of Hamath, and of Arpad? where *are* the gods of Sepharvaim,
Hena, and Ivah? have they delivered Samaria out of mine hand?
35 Who *are* they among all the gods of the countries, that have delivered their country
out of mine hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of mine hand?
36 But the people held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's
commandment was, saying, Answer him not.
37 Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which *was* over the household, and Shebna the
scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, to Hezekiah with *their* clothes rent, and told
him the words of Rab-shakeh.

19

1 And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard *it*, that he rent his clothes, and covered
himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.
2 And he sent Eliakim, which *was* over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the
elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

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††† **18:18** scribe: or, secretary ‡‡‡ **18:20** sayest: or, talkest §§§ **18:20** vain...: Heb. word of the lips * **18:20** I have...: or, but counsel and strength are for the war † **18:21** trustest: Heb. trustest thee ‡ **18:23** pledges: or, hostages § **18:27** their own piss: Heb. the water of their feet ** **18:31** Make...: or, Seek my favour: Heb. Make with me a blessing †† **18:31** cistern: or, pit ‡‡ **18:32** persuadeth: or, deceiveth

3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke,
and blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring
forth.*
4 It may be the LORD thy God will hear all the words of Rab-shakeh, whom the king of
Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God; and will reprove the words which
the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the remnant that are left.†
5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.
6 ¶ And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say to your master, Thus saith the LORD,
Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with which the servants of the king of
Assyria have blasphemed me.
7 Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and shall return to his
own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.
8 ¶ So Rab-shakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for
he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.
9 And when he heard say of Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, Behold, he is come out to fight
against thee: he sent messengers again unto Hezekiah, saying,
10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not thy God in whom thou
trustest deceive thee, saying, Jerusalem shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of
Assyria.
11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, by destroying
them utterly: and shalt thou be delivered?
12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed; *as*
Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Thelasar?
13 Where *is* the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of
Sepharvaim, of Hena, and Ivah?
14 ¶ And Hezekiah received the letter of the hand of the messengers, and read it: and
Hezekiah went up into the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.
15 And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of Israel, which dwellest
between the cherubims, thou art the God, *even* thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth;
thou hast made heaven and earth.
16 LORD, bow down thine ear, and hear: open, LORD, thine eyes, and see: and hear the
words of Sennacherib, which hath sent him to reproach the living God.
17 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have destroyed the nations and their lands,
18 And have cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the work of men's
hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.‡
19 Now therefore, O LORD our God, I beseech thee, save thou us out of his hand, that all
the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou *art* the LORD God, *even* thou only.
20 ¶ Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of
Israel, *That* which thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria I have heard.
21 This *is* the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The virgin the daughter of
Zion hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken
her head at thee.
22 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted
thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? *even* against the Holy *One* of Israel.
23 By thy messengers thou hast reproached the Lord, and hast said, With the multitude
of my chariots I am come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon, and
will cut down the tall cedar trees thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter
into the lodgings of his borders, *and into* the forest of his Carmel.§**††
24 I have digged and drunk strange waters, and with the sole of my feet have I dried up
all the rivers of besieged places.‡‡
25 Hast thou not heard long ago *how* I have done it, *and* of ancient times that I have
formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste fenced cities
into ruinous heaps.§§
26 Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were dismayed and con-
founded; they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the
housetops, and *as corn* blasted before it be grown up.***

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* **19:3** blasphemy: or, provocation † **19:4** left: Heb. found ‡ **19:18** cast: Heb. given § **19:23** By: Heb. By the hand of ** **19:23** tall...: Heb. tallness, etc †† **19:23** of his Carmel: or, and his fruitful field ‡‡ **19:24** besieged: or, fenced §§ **19:25** long...: or, how I have made it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? should I now bring it to be laid waste, and fenced cities to be ruinous heaps? *** **19:26** of small...: Heb. short of hand

27 But I know thy abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.†††
28 Because thy rage against me and thy tumult is come up into mine ears, therefore I will
put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by
which thou camest.
29 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat this year such things as grow of
themselves, and in the second year that which springeth of the same; and in the third year
sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.
30 And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall yet again take root
downward, and bear fruit upward.‡‡‡
31 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion:
the zeal of the LORD *of hosts* shall do this.§§§
32 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into
this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a bank against
it.
33 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city,
saith the LORD.
34 For I will defend this city, to save it, for mine own sake, and for my servant David's
sake.
35 ¶ And it came to pass that night, that the angel of the LORD went out, and smote in
the camp of the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose
early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.
36 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at
Nineveh.
37 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that
Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword: and they escaped into
the land of Armenia. And Esar-haddon his son reigned in his stead.*

20

1 In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz
came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Set thine house in order; for thou
shalt die, and not live.*
2 Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the LORD, saying,
3 I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and
with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept
sore.†
4 And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle court, that the word of
the LORD came to him, saying,‡
5 Turn again, and tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God
of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will heal thee:
on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD.
6 And I will add unto thy days fifteen years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of
the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my
servant David's sake.
7 And Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid *it* on the boil, and he
recovered.
8 ¶ And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, What *shall be* the sign that the LORD will heal me, and
that I shall go up into the house of the LORD the third day?
9 And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing
that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten degrees, or go back ten degrees?
10 And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay,
but let the shadow return backward ten degrees.
11 And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the LORD: and he brought the shadow ten degrees
backward, by which it had gone down in the dial of Ahaz.§
12 ¶ At that time Berodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and
a present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick.**

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††† **19:27** abode: or, sitting ‡‡‡ **19:30** remnant...: Heb. escaping of the house of Judah that remaineth §§§ **19:31** they...: Heb. the escaping * **19:37** Armenia: Heb. Ararat * **20:1** Set...: Heb. Give charge concerning thine house † **20:3** sore: Heb. with a great weeping ‡ **20:4** court: or, city § **20:11** dial: Heb. degrees ** **20:12** Berodach-baladan: or, Merodach-baladan

13 And Hezekiah hearkened unto them, and shewed them all the house of his precious
things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and *all* the house
of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor
in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.[††‡‡]
14 ¶ Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said
these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come
from a far country, *even* from Babylon.
15 And he said, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All *the*
things that *are* in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I
have not shewed them.
16 And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD.
17 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and that which thy fathers have
laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the
LORD.
18 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away;
and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.
19 Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, Good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken.
And he said, *Is it* not *good*, if peace and truth be in my days?[§§]
20 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he made a pool, and a
conduit, and brought water into the city, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles
of the kings of Judah?
21 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers: and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.

21

1 Manasseh *was* twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years
in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hephzi-bah.
2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, after the abominations of the
heathen, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.
3 For he built up again the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he
reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, as did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all
the host of heaven, and served them.
4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD said, In Jerusalem will
I put my name.
5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.
6 And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments,
and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of
the LORD, to provoke *him* to anger.
7 And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which the
LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have
chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:
8 Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their
fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and
according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them.
9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil than did the
nations whom the LORD destroyed before the children of Israel.
10 ¶ And the LORD spake by his servants the prophets, saying,
11 Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, *and* hath done
wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which *were* before him, and hath made Judah
also to sin with his idols:
12 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I *am* bringing *such* evil upon
Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall tingle.
13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house
of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as *a man* wipeth a dish, wiping *it*, and turning *it* upside
down.[*]
14 And I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of
their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies;
15 Because they have done *that which was* evil in my sight, and have provoked me to
anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day.

[††] **20:13** precious things: or, spicery [‡‡] **20:13** armour: or, jewels: Heb. vessels [§§] **20:19** Is it...: or, Shall there not be peace and truth, etc [*] **21:13** wiping...: Heb. he wipeth and turneth it upon the face thereof

16 Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem from
one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing *that which was*
evil in the sight of the LORD.†
17 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his sin that he sinned,
are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
18 And Manasseh slept with his fathers, and was buried in the garden of his own house,
in the garden of Uzza: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.
19 ¶ Amon *was* twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned two
years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of
Jotbah.
20 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as his father Manasseh did.
21 And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, and served the idols that his
father served, and worshipped them:
22 And he forsook the LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD.
23 ¶ And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the king in his own house.
24 And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and
the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.
25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the
chronicles of the kings of Judah?
26 And he was buried in his sepulchre in the garden of Uzza: and Josiah his son reigned
in his stead.‡

22

1 Josiah *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years
in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath.
2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the way of
David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left.
3 ¶ And it came to pass in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *that* the king sent Shaphan
the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam, the scribe, to the house of the LORD, saying,
4 Go up to Hilkiah the high priest, that he may sum the silver which is brought into the
house of the LORD, which the keepers of the door have gathered of the people:*
5 And let them deliver it into the hand of the doers of the work, that have the oversight of
the house of the LORD: and let them give it to the doers of the work which *is* in the house
of the LORD, to repair the breaches of the house,
6 Unto carpenters, and builders, and masons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to repair
the house.
7 Howbeit there was no reckoning made with them of the money that was delivered into
their hand, because they dealt faithfully.
8 ¶ And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the
law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.
9 And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king word again, and said,
Thy servants have gathered the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it
into the hand of them that do the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD.†
10 And Shaphan the scribe shewed the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath delivered me
a book. And Shaphan read it before the king.
11 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that he
rent his clothes.
12 And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and
Achbor the son of Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asahiah a servant of the king's,
saying,‡§
13 Go ye, enquire of the LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the
words of this book that is found: for great *is* the wrath of the LORD that is kindled against
us, because our fathers have not hearkened unto the words of this book, to do according
unto all that which is written concerning us.
14 So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went unto
Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper
of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the college;) and they communed with
her.**††

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† **21:16** from...: Heb. from mouth to mouth ‡ **21:26** Josiah: Gr. Josias * **22:4** door: Heb. threshold † **22:9** gathered: Heb. melted ‡ **22:12** Achbor: or, Abdon § **22:12** Michaiah: or, Micah ** **22:14** wardrobe: Heb. garments †† **22:14** in the...: or, in the second part

15 ¶ And she said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell the man that sent you
to me,
16 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants
thereof, *even* all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read:
17 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they
might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be
kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched.
18 But to the king of Judah which sent you to enquire of the LORD, thus shall ye say to
him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, *As touching* the words which thou hast heard;
19 Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the LORD, when
thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they
should become a desolation and a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I
also have heard *thee*, saith the LORD.
20 Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered into
thy grave in peace; and thine eyes shall not see all the evil which I will bring upon this
place. And they brought the king word again.

23

1 And the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of Judah and of Jerusalem.
2 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah and all the
inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people,
both small and great: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant
which was found in the house of the LORD.*
3 ¶ And the king stood by a pillar, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the
LORD, and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all *their*
heart and all *their* soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this
book. And all the people stood to the covenant.
4 And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the priests of the second order,
and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out of the temple of the LORD all the vessels that
were made for Baal, and for the grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he burned them
without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Beth-el.
5 And he put down the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn
incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem;
them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets,
and to all the host of heaven.†‡§
6 And he brought out the grove from the house of the LORD, without Jerusalem, unto the
brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron, and stamped *it* small to powder, and cast
the powder thereof upon the graves of the children of the people.
7 And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, that *were* by the house of the LORD,
where the women wove hangings for the grove.**
8 And he brought all the priests out of the cities of Judah, and defiled the high places
where the priests had burned incense, from Geba to Beer-sheba, and brake down the high
places of the gates that *were* in the entering in of the gate of Joshua the governor of the city,
which *were* on a man's left hand at the gate of the city.
9 Nevertheless the priests of the high places came not up to the altar of the LORD in
Jerusalem, but they did eat of the unleavened bread among their brethren.
10 And he defiled Topheth, which *is* in the valley of the children of Hinnom, that no man
might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to Molech.
11 And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the
entering in of the house of the LORD, by the chamber of Nathan-melech the chamberlain,
which *was* in the suburbs, and burned the chariots of the sun with fire.††
12 And the altars that *were* on the top of the upper chamber of Ahaz, which the kings of
Judah had made, and the altars which Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house
of the LORD, did the king beat down, and brake *them* down from thence, and cast the dust
of them into the brook Kidron.‡‡
13 And the high places that *were* before Jerusalem, which *were* on the right hand of
the mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the

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* **23:2** both...: Heb. from small even unto great † **23:5** put...: Heb. caused to cease ‡ **23:5** idolatrous...: Heb. Chemarim § **23:5** planets: or, twelve signs or, constellations ** **23:7** hangings: Heb. houses †† **23:11** chamberlain: or, eunuch, or, officer ‡‡ **23:12** brake...: or, ran from thence

abomination of the Zidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for
Milcom the abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile.§§
14 And he brake in pieces the images, and cut down the groves, and filled their places
with the bones of men.***
15 ¶ Moreover the altar that *was* at Beth-el, *and* the high place which Jeroboam the son of
Nebat, who made Israel to sin, had made, both that altar and the high place he brake down,
and burned the high place, *and* stamped *it* small to powder, and burned the grove.
16 And as Josiah turned himself, he spied the sepulchres that *were* there in the mount,
and sent, and took the bones out of the sepulchres, and burned *them* upon the altar, and
polluted it, according to the word of the LORD which the man of God proclaimed, who
proclaimed these words.
17 Then he said, What title *is* that that I see? And the men of the city told him, *It is* the
sepulchre of the man of God, which came from Judah, and proclaimed these things that
thou hast done against the altar of Beth-el.
18 And he said, Let him alone; let no man move his bones. So they let his bones alone,
with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria.†††
19 And all the houses also of the high places that *were* in the cities of Samaria, which the
kings of Israel had made to provoke *the LORD* to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them
according to all the acts that he had done in Beth-el.
20 And he slew all the priests of the high places that *were* there upon the altars, and
burned men's bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem.‡‡‡
21 ¶ And the king commanded all the people, saying, Keep the passover unto the LORD
your God, as *it is* written in the book of this covenant.
22 Surely there was not holden such a passover from the days of the judges that judged
Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah;
23 But in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *wherein* this passover was holden to the LORD
in Jerusalem.
24 ¶ Moreover the *workers with* familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the images, and
the idols, and all the abominations that were spied in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem,
did Josiah put away, that he might perform the words of the law which were written in the
book that Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the LORD.§§§
25 And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all his
heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither
after him arose there *any* like him.
26 ¶ Notwithstanding the LORD turned not from the fierceness of his great wrath,
wherewith his anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations that
Manasseh had provoked him withal.*
27 And the LORD said, I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed Israel,
and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, My
name shall be there.
28 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book
of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
29 ¶ In his days Pharaoh-nechoh king of Egypt went up against the king of Assyria to the
river Euphrates: and king Josiah went against him; and he slew him at Megiddo, when he
had seen him.
30 And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and brought him to
Jerusalem, and buried him in his own sepulchre. And the people of the land took Jehoahaz
the son of Josiah, and anointed him, and made him king in his father's stead.
31 ¶ Jehoahaz *was* twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned
three months in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah
of Libnah.†
32 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers
had done.
33 And Pharaoh-nechoh put him in bands at Riblah in the land of Hamath, that he might
not reign in Jerusalem; and put the land to a tribute of an hundred talents of silver, and a
talent of gold.‡§

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§§ **23:13** the mount...: that is, the mount of Olives *** **23:14** images: Heb. statues ††† **23:18** bones alone: Heb. bones to escape ‡‡‡ **23:20** slew: or, sacrificed §§§ **23:24** images: or, teraphim * **23:26** provocations: Heb. angers † **23:31** Jehoahaz: also called, Shallum ‡ **23:33** that...: or, because he reigned § **23:33** put the...: Heb. set a fine upon the land

34 And Pharaoh-nechoh made Eliakim the son of Josiah king in the room of Josiah his
father, and turned his name to Jehoiakim, and took Jehoahaz away: and he came to Egypt,
and died there.
35 And Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but he taxed the land to give
the money according to the commandment of Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and the gold
of the people of the land, of every one according to his taxation, to give *it* unto Pharaoh-
nechoh.
36 ¶ Jehoiakim *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned
eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah
of Rumah.
37 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers
had done.

24

1 In his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his
servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him.
2 And the LORD sent against him bands of the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and
bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Judah to
destroy it, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servants the prophets.*
3 Surely at the commandment of the LORD came *this* upon Judah, to remove *them* out of
his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did;
4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent
blood; which the LORD would not pardon.
5 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the
book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
6 So Jehoiakim slept with his fathers: and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.
7 And the king of Egypt came not again any more out of his land: for the king of Babylon
had taken from the river of Egypt unto the river Euphrates all that pertained to the king of
Egypt.
8 ¶ Jehoiachin *was* eighteen years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in
Jerusalem three months. And his mother's name *was* Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan
of Jerusalem.†
9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father
had done.
10 ¶ At that time the servants of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up against
Jerusalem, and the city was besieged.‡
11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and his servants did
besiege it.
12 And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother,
and his servants, and his princes, and his officers: and the king of Babylon took him in the
eighth year of his reign.§**
13 And he carried out thence all the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures
of the king's house, and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel
had made in the temple of the LORD, as the LORD had said.
14 And he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of
valour, *even* ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save
the poorest sort of the people of the land.
15 And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon, and the king's mother, and the king's
wives, and his officers, and the mighty of the land, *those* carried he into captivity from
Jerusalem to Babylon.††
16 And all the men of might, *even* seven thousand, and craftsmen and smiths a thousand,
all *that were* strong *and* apt for war, even them the king of Babylon brought captive to
Babylon.
17 ¶ And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah his father's brother king in his stead, and
changed his name to Zedekiah.
18 Zedekiah *was* twenty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven
years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of
Libnah.

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* **24:2** by: Heb. by the hand of † **24:8** Jehoiachin: also called Jeconiah and Coniah ‡ **24:10** was...: Heb. came into siege § **24:12** officers: or, eunuchs ** **24:12** his reign: Nebuchadnezzar's eighth year †† **24:15** officers: or, eunuchs

19 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim
had done.
20 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until he had
cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

25

1 And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day*
of the month, *that* Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he, and all his host, against
Jerusalem, and pitched against it; and they built forts against it round about.
2 And the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.
3 And on the ninth *day* of the *fourth* month the famine prevailed in the city, and there
was no bread for the people of the land.
4 ¶ And the city was broken up, and all the men of war *fled* by night by the way of the gate
between two walls, which *is* by the king's garden: (now the Chaldees *were* against the city
round about:) and *the king* went the way toward the plain.
5 And the army of the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook him in the plains of
Jericho: and all his army were scattered from him.
6 So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of Babylon to Riblah; and they
gave judgment upon him.*
7 And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out the eyes of Zedekiah,
and bound him with fetters of brass, and carried him to Babylon.†
8 ¶ And in the fifth month, on the seventh *day* of the month, which *is* the nineteenth
year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzar-adan, captain of the guard,
a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem:‡
9 And he burnt the house of the LORD, and the king's house, and all the houses of
Jerusalem, and every great *man's* house burnt he with fire.
10 And all the army of the Chaldees, that *were with* the captain of the guard, brake down
the walls of Jerusalem round about.
11 Now the rest of the people *that were* left in the city, and the fugitives that fell away to
the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzar-adan the captain of
the guard carry away.§
12 But the captain of the guard left of the poor of the land *to be* vinedressers and
husbandmen.
13 And the pillars of brass that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the
brasen sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, did the Chaldees break in pieces, and carried
the brass of them to Babylon.
14 And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons, and all the vessels of
brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.
15 And the firepans, and the bowls, *and* such things as *were* of gold, *in* gold, and of silver,
in silver, the captain of the guard took away.
16 The two pillars, one sea, and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of the
LORD; the brass of all these vessels was without weight.**
17 The height of the one pillar *was* eighteen cubits, and the chapiter upon it *was* brass:
and the height of the chapiter three cubits; and the wreathen work, and pomegranates
upon the chapiter round about, all of brass: and like unto these had the second pillar with
wreathen work.
18 ¶ And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second
priest, and the three keepers of the door:††
19 And out of the city he took an officer that was set over the men of war, and five men
of them that were in the king's presence, which were found in the city, and the principal
scribe of the host, which mustered the people of the land, and threescore men of the people
of the land *that were* found in the city:‡‡§§***
20 And Nebuzar-adan captain of the guard took these, and brought them to the king of
Babylon to Riblah:
21 And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath.
So Judah was carried away out of their land.

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* **25:6** gave...: Heb. spake judgment with him † **25:7** put...: Heb. made blind ‡ **25:8** captain...: or, chief marshal § **25:11** fugitives: Heb. fallen away ** **25:16** one...: Heb. the one sea †† **25:18** door: Heb. threshold ‡‡ **25:19** officer: or, eunuch §§ **25:19** were in...: Heb. saw the king's face *** **25:19** principal...: or, scribe of the captain of the host

22 ¶ And *as for* the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar
king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of
Shaphan, ruler.
23 And when all the captains of the armies, they and their men, heard that the king of
Babylon had made Gedaliah governor, there came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael
the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan the son of Careah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth
the Netophathite, and Jaazaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.
24 And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their men, and said unto them, Fear not to be the
servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon; and it shall be
well with you.
25 But it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son
of Elishama, of the seed royal, came, and ten men with him, and smote Gedaliah, that he
died, and the Jews and the Chaldees that were with him at Mizpah.[†††]
26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the armies, arose, and
came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the Chaldees.
27 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin
king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the seven and twentieth *day* of the month, *that*
Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign did lift up the head of
Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison;
28 And he spake kindly to him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were*
with him in Babylon;[‡‡‡]
29 And changed his prison garments: and he did eat bread continually before him all the
days of his life.
30 And his allowance *was* a continual allowance given him of the king, a daily rate for
every day, all the days of his life.

[†††] **25:25** royal: Heb. of the kingdom [‡‡‡] **25:28** kindly...: Heb. good things with him

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1 Adam, Sheth, Enosh,
2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,
3 Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,
4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
5 ¶ The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.
6 And the sons of Gomer; Ashchenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.*
7 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.†
8 ¶ The sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.
9 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.
10 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.
11 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,
12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines,) and Caphthorim.
13 And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,
14 The Jebusite also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,
15 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,
16 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite.
17 ¶ The sons of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Meshech.‡
18 And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah begat Eber.
19 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one *was* Peleg; because in his days the earth was divided: and his brother's name *was* Joktan.§
20 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,
21 Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah,
22 And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,
23 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these *were* the sons of Joktan.
24 ¶ Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,
25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,
26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,
27 Abram; the same *is* Abraham.
28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.
29 ¶ These *are* their generations: The firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,
30 Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, Hadad, and Tema,**
31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.
32 ¶ Now the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.
33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these *are* the sons of Keturah.
34 And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.
35 ¶ The sons of Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.
36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek.††
37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.
38 And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan.
39 And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna *was* Lotan's sister.‡‡
40 The sons of Shobal; Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.§§***
41 The sons of Anah; Dishon. And the sons of Dishon; Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.†††
42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, *and* Jakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and Aran.‡‡‡

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* **1:6** Riphath: or, Diphath as it is in some copies † **1:7** Dodanim: or, Rodanim, according to some copies ‡ **1:17** Meshech: or, Mash § **1:19** Peleg: that is, division ** **1:30** Hadad: also called, Hadar †† **1:36** Zephi: or, Zepho ‡‡ **1:39** Homam: or, Hemam §§ **1:40** Alian: also called, Alvan *** **1:40** Shephi: also called, Shepho ††† **1:41** Amram: or, Hemdan ‡‡‡ **1:42** Jakan: or, Akan

43 ¶ Now these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom before *any* king reigned
over the children of Israel; Bela the son of Beor: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.
44 And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.
45 And when Jobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.
46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field
of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.
47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.
48 And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.
49 And when Shaul was dead, Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.
50 And when Baal-hanan was dead, Hadad reigned in his stead: and the name of his
city *was* Pai; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter
of Mezahab.§§§*
51 ¶ Hadad died also. And the dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah, duke Aliah, duke
Jetheth,
52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,
53 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,
54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These *are* the dukes of Edom.

2

1 These *are* the sons of Israel; Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun,*
2 Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
3 ¶ The sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah: *which* three were born unto him of the
daughter of Shua the Canaanitess. And Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of
the LORD; and he slew him.
4 And Tamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah *were*
five.
5 The sons of Pharez; Hezron, and Hamul.
6 And the sons of Zerah; Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dara: five of them
in all.†‡
7 And the sons of Carmi; Achar, the troubler of Israel, who transgressed in the thing
accursed.§
8 And the sons of Ethan; Azariah.
9 The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him; Jerahmeel, and Ram, and
Chelubai.**††
10 And Ram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat Nahshon, prince of the children
of Judah;
11 And Nahshon begat Salma, and Salma begat Boaz,‡‡
12 And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse,
13 ¶ And Jesse begat his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the
third,§§
14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,
15 Ozem the sixth, David the seventh:
16 Whose sisters *were* Zeruiah, and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab,
and Asahel, three.
17 And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa *was* Jether the Ishmeelite.***
18 ¶ And Caleb the son of Hezron begat *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth: her
sons *are* these; Jesher, and Shobab, and Ardon.
19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him Ephrath, which bare him Hur.
20 And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat Bezaleel.
21 ¶ And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir the father of Gilead, whom
he married when he *was* threescore years old; and she bare him Segub.†††
22 And Segub begat Jair, who had three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.
23 And he took Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from them, with Kenath, and the
towns thereof, *even* threescore cities. All these *belonged to* the sons of Machir the father of
Gilead.

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§§§ **1:50** Hadad: or, Hadar * **1:50** Pai: or, Pau * **2:1** Israel: or, Jacob † **2:6** Zimri: or, Zabdi ‡ **2:6** Dara: or, Darda § **2:7** Achar: or, Achan ** **2:9** Ram: Gr. Aram †† **2:9** Chelubai: or, Caleb ‡‡ **2:11** Salma: also called, Salmon §§ **2:13** Shimma: or, Shammah *** **2:17** Jether...: also called, Ithra an Israelite ††† **2:21** married: Heb. took

24 And after that Hezron was dead in Caleb-ephratah, then Abiah Hezron's wife bare him
Ashur the father of Tekoa.
25 ¶ And the sons of Jerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the firstborn, and
Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, *and* Ahijah.
26 Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name *was* Atarah; she *was* the mother of
Onam.
27 And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were, Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker.
28 And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of Shammai; Nadab,
and Abishur.
29 And the name of the wife of Abishur *was* Abihail, and she bare him Ahban, and Molid.
30 And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without children.
31 And the sons of Appaim; Ishi. And the sons of Ishi; Sheshan. And the children of
Sheshan; Ahlai.
32 And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died
without children.
33 And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.
34 ¶ Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian,
whose name *was* Jarha.
35 And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai.
36 And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat Zabad,
37 And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed,
38 And Obed begat Jehu, and Jehu begat Azariah,
39 And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat Eleasah,
40 And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum,
41 And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.
42 ¶ Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel *were*, Mesha his firstborn, which was
the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron.
43 And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.
44 And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem begat Shammai.
45 And the son of Shammai *was* Maon: and Maon *was* the father of Beth-zur.
46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran begat
Gazez.
47 And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Geshan, and Pelet, and Ephah, and
Shaaph.
48 Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.
49 She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and
the father of Gibea: and the daughter of Caleb *was* Achsah.
50 ¶ These were the sons of Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah; Shobal the
father of Kirjath-jearim,‡‡‡
51 Salma the father of Beth-lehem, Hareph the father of Beth-gader.
52 And Shobal the father of Kirjath-jearim had sons; Haroeh, *and* half of the Mana-
hethites.§§§*
53 And the families of Kirjath-jearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites,
and the Mishraites; of them came the Zareathites, and the Eshtaulites.
54 The sons of Salma; Beth-lehem, and the Netophathites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and
half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.†
55 And the families of the scribes which dwelt at Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites,
and Suchathites. These *are* the Kenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of
Rechab.

3

1 Now these were the sons of David, which were born unto him in Hebron; the firstborn
Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:*
2 The third, Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the
fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith:
3 The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, Ithream by Eglah his wife.
4 *These* six were born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six
months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.

‡‡‡ **2:50** Ephratah: also called, Ephreth §§§ **2:52** Haroeh: or, Reaiah * **2:52** half...: or, half of the Menuchites, or, Hatsi-ham-menuchoth † **2:54** Ataroth...: or, Atarites, or, crowns of the house of Joab * **3:1** Daniel: or, Chileab

5 And these were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and
Solomon, four, of Bath-shua the daughter of Ammiel:†‡§
6 Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,**
7 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
8 And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.††
9 *These were* all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and Tamar their
sister.
10 ¶ And Solomon's son *was* Rehoboam, Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,‡‡
11 Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,§§
12 Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son,***
13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,
14 Amon his son, Josiah his son.
15 And the sons of Josiah *were*, the firstborn Johanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third
Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.†††‡‡‡§§§
16 And the sons of Jehoiakim: Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son.*
17 ¶ And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, Salathiel his son,†
18 Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.
19 And the sons of Pedaiah *were*, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel;
Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:
20 And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five.
21 And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of
Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.
22 And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah: and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal,
and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.
23 And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.‡
24 And the sons of Elioenai *were*, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and
Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

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1 The sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.*
2 And Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai, and Lahad. These
are the families of the Zorathites.†
3 And these *were of* the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of
their sister *was* Hazelelponi:
4 And Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These *are* the sons of
Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Beth-lehem.
5 ¶ And Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.
6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These *were*
the sons of Naarah.
7 And the sons of Helah *were*, Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.
8 And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.
9 ¶ And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name
Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.‡
10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed,
and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep
me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.§**
11 ¶ And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which *was* the father of Eshton.
12 And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir-nahash.
These *are* the men of Rechah.††
13 And the sons of Kenaz; Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; Hathath.‡‡

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† **3:5** Shimea: or, Shammua ‡ **3:5** Bath-shua: or, Bath-sheba § **3:5** Ammiel: or, Eliam ** **3:6** Elishama: also called, Elishua †† **3:8** Eliada: or, Beeliada ‡‡ **3:10** Abia: or, Abijam §§ **3:11** Ahaziah: or, Azariah *** **3:12** Azariah: or, Uzziah ††† **3:15** Johanan: or, Jehoahaz ‡‡‡ **3:15** Jehoiakim: or, Eliakim §§§ **3:15** Zedekiah: or, Mattaniah * **3:16** Jeconiah: also called, Jehoiachin or Coniah † **3:17** Salathiel: Heb. Shealtiel ‡ **3:23** Hezekiah: Heb. Hiskijah * **4:1** Carmi: also called, Chelubai or Caleb † **4:2** Reaiah: or, Haroeh ‡ **4:9** Jabez: that is, Sorrowful § **4:10** Oh...: Heb. If thou wilt, etc ** **4:10** keep...: Heb. do me †† **4:12** Ir-nahash: or, the city of Nahash ‡‡ **4:13** Hathath...: or, Hathath, and Meonothai, who begat, etc

14 And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the father of the valley of
Charashim; for they were craftsmen.§§***†††
15 And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the sons of Elah,
even Kenaz.‡‡‡
16 And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.
17 And the sons of Ezra *were*, Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and Jalon: and she bare
Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.
18 And his wife Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho,
and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these *are* the sons of Bithiah the daughter of
Pharaoh, which Mered took.§§§
19 And the sons of *his* wife Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite,
and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.*
20 And the sons of Shimon *were*, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons
of Ishi *were*, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.
21 ¶ The sons of Shelah the son of Judah *were*, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the
father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linen, of the
house of Ashbea,
22 And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in
Moab, and Jashubi-lehem. And *these are* ancient things.
23 These *were* the potters, and those that dwelt among plants and hedges: there they
dwelt with the king for his work.
24 ¶ The sons of Simeon *were*, Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah, *and* Shaul:†‡
25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.
26 And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.
27 And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many
children, neither did all their family multiply, like to the children of Judah.§
28 And they dwelt at Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,
29 And at Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at Tolad,**††
30 And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,
31 And at Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These
were their cities unto the reign of David.‡‡
32 And their villages *were*, Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:§§
33 And all their villages that *were* round about the same cities, unto Baal. These *were* their
habitations, and their genealogy.***†††
34 And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,
35 And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,
36 And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and
Benaiah,
37 And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the
son of Shemaiah;
38 These mentioned by *their* names *were* princes in their families: and the house of their
fathers increased greatly.‡‡‡
39 ¶ And they went to the entrance of Gedor, *even* unto the east side of the valley, to seek
pasture for their flocks.
40 And they found fat pasture and good, and the land *was* wide, and quiet, and peaceable;
for *they* of Ham had dwelt there of old.
41 And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their
tents, and the habitations that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day,
and dwelt in their rooms: because *there was* pasture there for their flocks.
42 And *some* of them, *even* of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to mount Seir,
having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.
43 And they smote the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there unto this
day.

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§§ **4:14** valley: or, inhabitants of the valley *** **4:14** Charashim: that is, craftsmen ††† **4:14** Hathath...: or, Hathath, and Meonothai, who begat, etc ‡‡‡ **4:15** even Kenaz: or, Uknaz §§§ **4:18** Jehudijah: or, the Jewess * **4:19** Hodiah: or, Jehudijah, mentioned before † **4:24** Nemuel: or, Jemuel ‡ **4:24** Jarib, Zerah: or, Jachin Zohar § **4:27** like...: Heb. unto ** **4:29** Bilhah: or, Balah †† **4:29** Tolad: or, Eltolad ‡‡ **4:31** Hazar-susim: or, Hazar-susah §§ **4:32** Etam: or, Ether *** **4:33** Baal: or, Baalath-beer ††† **4:33** their genealogy: or, as they divided themselves by nations among them ‡‡‡ **4:38** mentioned: Heb. coming

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1 Now the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he *was* the firstborn; but, forasmuch
as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of
Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.
2 For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him *came* the chief ruler; but the
birthright *was* Joseph's:)*
3 The sons, *I say*, of Reuben the firstborn of Israel *were*, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and
Carmi.
4 The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,
5 Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,
6 Beerah his son, whom Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria carried away *captive:* he *was*
prince of the Reubenites.†
7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was
reckoned, *were* the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,
8 And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in Aroer, even
unto Nebo and Baal-meon:‡
9 And eastward he inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river
Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead.
10 And in the days of Saul they made war with the Hagarites, who fell by their hand: and
they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east *land* of Gilead.§
11 ¶ And the children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salchah:
12 Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.
13 And their brethren of the house of their fathers *were*, Michael, and Meshullam, and
Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and Heber, seven.
14 These *are* the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead,
the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;
15 Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.
16 And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon,
upon their borders.**
17 All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of Jotham king of Judah, and in the
days of Jeroboam king of Israel.
18 ¶ The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of valiant men,
men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, *were* four
and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.††
19 And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and Nephish, and Nodab.
20 And they were helped against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand,
and all that *were* with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and he was intreated of
them; because they put their trust in him.
21 And they took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hun-
dred and fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and of men an hundred thousand.‡‡§§
22 For there fell down many slain, because the war *was* of God. And they dwelt in their
steads until the captivity.
23 ¶ And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from
Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.
24 And these *were* the heads of the house of their fathers, even Epher, and Ishi, and Eliel,
and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, famous men,
and heads of the house of their fathers.***
25 ¶ And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the
gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.
26 And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of Tilgath-
pilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites,
and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto Halah, and Habor, and Hara, and
to the river Gozan, unto this day.

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1 The sons of Levi; Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.*

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* **5:2** chief...: or, prince † **5:6** Tilgath-pilneser: also called, Tiglath-pileser ‡ **5:8** Shema: or, Shemaiah § **5:10** throughout...: Heb. upon all the face of the east ** **5:16** their...: Heb. their goings forth †† **5:18** valiant...: Heb. sons of valour ‡‡ **5:21** took...: Heb. led captive §§ **5:21** men: Heb. souls of men *** **5:24** famous...: Heb. men of names * **6:1** Gershon: or, Gershom

2 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
3 And the children of Amram; Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron;
Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.
4 ¶ Eleazar begat Phinehas, Phinehas begat Abishua,
5 And Abishua begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi,
6 And Uzzi begat Zerahiah, and Zerahiah begat Meraioth,
7 Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,
8 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Ahimaaz,
9 And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan,
10 And Johanan begat Azariah, (he *it is* that executed the priest's office in the temple that
Solomon built in Jerusalem:)†
11 And Azariah begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,
12 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Shallum,‡
13 And Shallum begat Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah,
14 And Azariah begat Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,
15 And Jehozadak went *into captivity*, when the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem
by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.
16 ¶ The sons of Levi; Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.§
17 And these *be* the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.
18 And the sons of Kohath *were*, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
19 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites
according to their fathers.
20 Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,
21 Joah his son, Iddo his son, Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son.**††‡‡
22 The sons of Kohath; Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,§§
23 Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,
24 Tahath his son, Uriel his son, Uzziah his son, and Shaul his son.
25 And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.
26 *As for* Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah; Zophai his son, and Nahath his son,***
27 Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.
28 And the sons of Samuel; the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.†††
29 The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,
30 Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.
31 And these *are they* whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD,
after that the ark had rest.
32 And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle of the congregation
with singing, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem: and *then* they
waited on their office according to their order.
33 And these *are* they that waited with their children. Of the sons of the Kohathites:
Heman a singer, the son of Joel, the son of Shemuel,‡‡‡
34 The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah,
35 The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,
36 The son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,
37 The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,
38 The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.
39 And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, *even* Asaph the son of Berachiah,
the son of Shimea,
40 The son of Michael, the son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah,
41 The son of Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,
42 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,
43 The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.
44 And their brethren the sons of Merari *stood* on the left hand: Ethan the son of Kishi,
the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,§§§
45 The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah,
46 The son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,
47 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.

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† **6:10** in the temple: Heb. in the house ‡ **6:12** Shallum: or, Meshullam § **6:16** Gershom: or, Gershon ** **6:21** Joah: or, Ethan †† **6:21** Iddo: or, Adaiah ‡‡ **6:21** Jeaterai: also called, Ethni §§ **6:22** Amminadab: or, Izhar *** **6:26** Zophai: or, Zuph ††† **6:28** Vashni: called also Joel ‡‡‡ **6:33** waited: Heb. stood §§§ **6:44** Kishi: or, Kushaiah

48 Their brethren also the Levites *were* appointed unto all manner of service of the
tabernacle of the house of God.
49 ¶ But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on the altar
of incense, *and were appointed* for all the work of the *place* most holy, and to make an
atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.
50 And these *are* the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,
51 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,
52 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,
53 Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.
54 ¶ Now these *are* their dwelling places throughout their castles in their coasts, of the
sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: for theirs was the lot.
55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the suburbs thereof round about
it.
56 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave to Caleb the son of
Jephunneh.
57 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, *the city* of
refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs,
58 And Hilen with her suburbs, Debir with her suburbs,*
59 And Ashan with her suburbs, and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs:†
60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her suburbs, and Alemeth with her
suburbs, and Anathoth with her suburbs. All their cities throughout their families *were*
thirteen cities.‡
61 And unto the sons of Kohath, *which were* left of the family of that tribe, *were cities given*
out of the half tribe, *namely, out of* the half *tribe* of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.
62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and
out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh
in Bashan, thirteen cities.
63 Unto the sons of Merari *were given* by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of
Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.
64 And the children of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their suburbs.
65 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the
children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are
called by *their* names.
66 And *the residue* of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities of their coasts out of the
tribe of Ephraim.
67 And they gave unto them, *of* the cities of refuge, Shechem in mount Ephraim with her
suburbs; *they gave* also Gezer with her suburbs,
68 And Jokmeam with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs,
69 And Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs:
70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs, and Bileam with her
suburbs, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.
71 Unto the sons of Gershom *were given* out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh,
Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, and Ashtaroth with her suburbs:
72 And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs,
73 And Ramoth with her suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs:
74 And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs,
75 And Hukok with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs:
76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammon
with her suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her suburbs.
77 Unto the rest of the children of Merari *were given* out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon
with her suburbs, Tabor with her suburbs:
78 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan, *were given them*
out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her suburbs, and Jahzah with her
suburbs,
79 Kedemoth also with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs:
80 And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and Mahanaim with
her suburbs,
81 And Heshbon with her suburbs, and Jazer with her suburbs.

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* **6:58** Hilen: or, Holon † **6:59** Ashan: or, Ain ‡ **6:60** Alemeth: or, Almon

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1 Now the sons of Issachar *were*, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimron, four.
2 And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and
Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit*, of Tola: *they were* valiant men of might in
their generations; whose number *was* in the days of David two and twenty thousand and
six hundred.
3 And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and
Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.
4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* bands of
soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand *men:* for they had many wives and sons.
5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar *were* valiant men of might,
reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven thousand.
6 ¶ *The sons* of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediael, three.
7 And the sons of Bela; Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of
the house of *their* fathers, mighty men of valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies
twenty and two thousand and thirty and four.
8 And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and
Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these *are* the sons of Becher.
9 And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house
of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.
10 The sons also of Jediael; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud,
and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.
11 All these the sons of Jediael, by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *were*
seventeen thousand and two hundred *soldiers,* fit to go out for war *and* battle.
12 Shuppim also, and Huppim, the children of Ir, *and* Hushim, the sons of Aher.*†
13 ¶ The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.
14 ¶ The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom she bare: (*but* his concubine the Aramitess
bare Machir the father of Gilead:
15 And Machir took to wife *the sister* of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name *was*
Maachah;) and the name of the second *was* Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.
16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the
name of his brother *was* Sheresh; and his sons *were* Ulam and Rakem.
17 And the sons of Ulam; Bedan. These *were* the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son
of Manasseh.
18 And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and Mahalah.
19 And the sons of Shemida were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.
20 ¶ And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and
Eladah his son, and Tahath his son,
21 ¶ And Zabad his son, and Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of
Gath *that were* born in *that* land slew, because they came down to take away their cattle.
22 And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brethren came to comfort him.
23 ¶ And when he went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his
name Beriah, because it went evil with his house.
24 (And his daughter *was* Sherah, who built Beth-horon the nether, and the upper, and
Uzzen-sherah.)
25 And Rephah *was* his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,
26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son,
27 Non his son, Jehoshua his son.‡§
28 ¶ And their possessions and habitations *were*, Beth-el and the towns thereof, and
eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the towns thereof; Shechem also and the
towns thereof, unto Gaza and the towns thereof:**††
29 And by the borders of the children of Manasseh, Beth-shean and her towns, Taanach
and her towns, Megiddo and her towns, Dor and her towns. In these dwelt the children of
Joseph the son of Israel.‡‡
30 ¶ The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister.
31 And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who *is* the father of Birzavith.
32 And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.

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* **7:12** Ir: or, Iri † **7:12** Aher: or, Ahiram ‡ **7:27** Non: or, Nun § **7:27** Jehoshua: or, Joshua ** **7:28** towns: Heb. daughters †† **7:28** unto Gaza: or, Adassa ‡‡ **7:29** towns: Heb. daughters

33 And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These *are* the children of
Japhlet.
34 And the sons of Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.
35 And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.
36 The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,
37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.
38 And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.
39 And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.
40 All these *were* the children of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, choice *and* mighty
men of valour, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of them that
were apt to the war *and* to battle *was* twenty and six thousand men.

8

1 Now Benjamin begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third,
2 Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth.
3 And the sons of Bela were, Addar, and Gera, and Abihud,*
4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,
5 And Gera, and Shephuphan, and Huram.†
6 And these *are* the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of
Geba, and they removed them to Manahath:
7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and Ahihud.
8 And Shaharaim begat *children* in the country of Moab, after he had sent them away;
Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.
9 And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,
10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.
11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.
12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and Shamed, who built Ono, and Lod, with the
towns thereof:
13 Beriah also, and Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon,
who drove away the inhabitants of Gath:
14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,
15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,
16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;
17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,
18 Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;
19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,
20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,
21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;‡
22 And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,
23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,
24 And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,
25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;
26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,
27 And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.
28 These *were* heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief *men*. These dwelt in
Jerusalem.
29 And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name *was* Maachah:§
30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,
31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.**
32 And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem,
over against them.††
33 ¶ And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua,
and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.‡‡§§
34 And the son of Jonathan *was* Merib-baal; and Merib-baal begat Micah.***
35 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.†††
36 And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri;
and Zimri begat Moza,‡‡‡

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* **8:3** Addar: or, Ard † **8:5** Shephuphan: or, Shupham ‡ **8:21** Shimhi: or, Shema § **8:29** father...: also called Jehiel ** **8:31** Zacher: or, Zechariah †† **8:32** Shimeah: or, Shimeam ‡‡ **8:33** Abinadab: also called, Ishui §§ **8:33** Esh-baal: or, Ish-bosheth *** **8:34** Merib-baal: or, Mephibosheth ††† **8:35** Tarea: or, Tahrea ‡‡‡ **8:36** Jehoadah: also called, Jarah

37 And Moza begat Binea: Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:§§§
38 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and
Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these *were* the sons of Azel.
39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were*, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and
Eliphelet the third.
40 And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and
sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

9

1 So all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they *were* written in the book
of the kings of Israel and Judah, *who* were carried away to Babylon for their transgression.
2 ¶ Now the first inhabitants that *dwelt* in their possessions in their cities *were*, the
Israelites, the priests, Levites, and the Nethinims.
3 And in Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and
of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh;
4 Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the
children of Pharez the son of Judah.
5 And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.
6 And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred and ninety.
7 And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son
of Hasenuah,
8 And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and
Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;
9 And their brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and six. All
these men *were* chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.
10 ¶ And of the priests; Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin,
11 And Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of
Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God;*
12 And Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasiai
the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the
son of Immer;
13 And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and seven hundred
and threescore; very able men for the work of the service of the house of God.†
14 And of the Levites; Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of
Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari;
15 And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of Zichri,
the son of Asaph;
16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah
the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.
17 And the porters *were*, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their
brethren: Shallum *was* the chief;
18 Who hitherto *waited* in the king's gate eastward: they *were* porters in the companies
of the children of Levi.
19 And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren,
of the house of his father, the Korahites, *were* over the work of the service, keepers of the
gates of the tabernacle: and their fathers, *being* over the host of the LORD, *were* keepers of
the entry.‡
20 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in time past, *and* the LORD
was with him.
21 *And* Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah *was* porter of the door of the tabernacle of the
congregation.
22 All these *which were* chosen to be porters in the gates *were* two hundred and twelve.
These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer
did ordain in their set office.§**
23 So they and their children *had* the oversight of the gates of the house of the LORD,
namely, the house of the tabernacle, by wards.
24 In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west, north, and south.
25 And their brethren, *which were* in their villages, *were* to come after seven days from
time to time with them.

§§§ **8:37** Rapha: also called, Rephaiah * **9:11** Azariah: also called, Seraiah † **9:13** very...: Heb. mighty men of valour ‡ **9:19** gates: Heb. thresholds § **9:22** did...: Heb. founded ** **9:22** set...: or, trust

26 For these Levites, the four chief porters, were in *their* set office, and were over the
chambers and treasuries of the house of God.††‡‡
27 ¶ And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge *was* upon them,
and the opening thereof every morning *pertained* to them.
28 And *certain* of them had the charge of the ministering vessels, that they should bring
them in and out by tale.§§
29 *Some* of them also *were* appointed to oversee the vessels, and all the instruments of
the sanctuary, and the fine flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the
spices.***
30 And *some* of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the spices.
31 And Mattithiah, *one* of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had
the set office over the things that were made in the pans.†††‡‡‡
32 And *other* of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites, *were* over the shewbread, to
prepare *it* every sabbath.§§§
33 And these *are* the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, *who remaining* in the
chambers *were* free: for they were employed in *that* work day and night.*
34 These chief fathers of the Levites *were* chief throughout their generations; these dwelt
at Jerusalem.
35 ¶ And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name *was* Maachah:
36 And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,
37 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.
38 And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem,
over against their brethren.
39 And Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua,
and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.
40 And the son of Jonathan *was* Merib-baal: and Merib-baal begat Micah.
41 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, *and Ahaz*.
42 And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri
begat Moza;
43 And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.
44 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and
Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these *were* the sons of Azel.

10

1 Now the Philistines fought against Israel; and the men of Israel fled from before the
Philistines, and fell down slain in mount Gilboa.*
2 And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons; and the Philistines slew
Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchi-shua, the sons of Saul.†
3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the archers hit him, and he was wounded of
the archers.‡§
4 Then said Saul to his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith;
lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was
sore afraid. So Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.**
5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise on the sword, and
died.
6 So Saul died, and his three sons, and all his house died together.
7 And when all the men of Israel that *were* in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul
and his sons were dead, then they forsook their cities, and fled: and the Philistines came
and dwelt in them.
8 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that
they found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.
9 And when they had stripped him, they took his head, and his armour, and sent into the
land of the Philistines round about, to carry tidings unto their idols, and to the people.
10 And they put his armour in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the temple
of Dagon.

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†† **9:26** set...: or, trust ‡‡ **9:26** chambers: or, storehouses §§ **9:28** bring...: Heb. bring them in by tale, and carry them out by tale *** **9:29** instruments: or, vessels ††† **9:31** set...: or, trust ‡‡‡ **9:31** in...: or, on flat plates, or, slices §§§ **9:32** shewbread: Heb. bread of ordering * **9:33** they...: Heb. upon them * **10:1** slain: or, wounded † **10:2** Abinadab: also called, Ishui ‡ **10:3** and the archers: Heb. and the shooters with bows § **10:3** hit: Heb. found ** **10:4** abuse me: or, mock me

11 ¶ And when all Jabesh-gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,
12 They arose, all the valiant men, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his
sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and
fasted seven days.
13 ¶ So Saul died for his transgression which he committed against the LORD, *even* against
the word of the LORD, which he kept not, and also for asking *counsel* of *one that had* a
familiar spirit, to enquire *of it;*††
14 And enquired not of the LORD: therefore he slew him, and turned the kingdom unto
David the son of Jesse.‡‡

11

1 Then all Israel gathered themselves to David unto Hebron, saying, Behold, we *are* thy
bone and thy flesh.
2 And moreover in time past, even when Saul was king, thou *wast* he that leddest out
and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD thy God said unto thee, Thou shalt feed my people
Israel, and thou shalt be ruler over my people Israel.*†
3 Therefore came all the elders of Israel to the king to Hebron; and David made a
covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and they anointed David king over Israel,
according to the word of the LORD by Samuel.‡
4 ¶ And David and all Israel went to Jerusalem, which *is* Jebus; where the Jebusites *were*,
the inhabitants of the land.
5 And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, Thou shalt not come hither. Nevertheless
David took the castle of Zion, which *is* the city of David.
6 And David said, Whosoever smiteth the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain. So
Joab the son of Zeruiah went first up, and was chief.§
7 And David dwelt in the castle; therefore they called it the city of David.**
8 And he built the city round about, even from Millo round about: and Joab repaired the
rest of the city.††
9 So David waxed greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts *was* with him.‡‡
10 ¶ These also *are* the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened
themselves with him in his kingdom, *and* with all Israel, to make him king, according to
the word of the LORD concerning Israel.§§
11 And this *is* the number of the mighty men whom David had; Jashobeam, an
Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his spear against three hundred slain
by him at one time.***
12 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who *was one* of the three
mighties.
13 He was with David at Pas-dammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together
to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of barley; and the people fled from before the
Philistines.†††
14 And they set themselves in the midst of *that* parcel, and delivered it, and slew the
Philistines; and the LORD saved *them* by a great deliverance.‡‡‡§§§
15 ¶ Now three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of
Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.*
16 And David *was* then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison *was* then at Beth-lehem.
17 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well
of Beth-lehem, that *is* at the gate!
18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well
of Beth-lehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: but David would
not drink *of* it, but poured it out to the LORD,
19 And said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of
these men that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with *the jeopardy of* their lives they
brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.†

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†† **10:13** committed: Heb. transgressed ‡‡ **10:14** Jesse: Heb. Isai * **11:2** in time...: Heb. both yesterday and the third day † **11:2** feed: or, rule ‡ **11:3** by: Heb. by the hand of § **11:6** chief: Heb. head ** **11:7** it: that is, Zion †† **11:8** repaired: Heb. revived ‡‡ **11:9** waxed...: Heb. went in going and increasing §§ **11:10** strengthened...: or, held strongly with him *** **11:11** an Hachmonite: or, son of Hachmoni ††† **11:13** Pas-dammim: also called, Ephes-dammim ‡‡‡ **11:14** set...: or, stood §§§ **11:14** deliverance: or, salvation * **11:15** three...: or, three captains over the thirty † **11:19** that have...: Heb. with their lives?

20 ¶ And Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three: for lifting up his spear
against three hundred, he slew *them*, and had a name among the three.
21 Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was their captain: howbeit
he attained not to the *first* three.
22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done many
acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a
snowy day.‡
23 And he slew an Egyptian, a man of *great* stature, five cubits high; and in the Egyptian's
hand *was* a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked
the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.§
24 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among the three
mighties.
25 Behold, he was honourable among the thirty, but attained not to the *first* three: and
David set him over his guard.
26 ¶ Also the valiant men of the armies *were*, Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son
of Dodo of Beth-lehem,
27 Shammoth the Harorite, Helez the Pelonite,**††‡‡
28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abi-ezer the Antothite,
29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,§§***
30 Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,†††
31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, *that pertained* to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah
the Pirathonite,
32 Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,‡‡‡§§§
33 Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,
34 The sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,*
35 Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur,†‡§
36 Hepher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,
37 Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,**††
38 Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Haggeri,‡‡
39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of
Zeruiah,
40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,
41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,
42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,
43 Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,
44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,
45 Jediael the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,§§
46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the
Moabite,
47 Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

12

1 Now these *are* they that came to David to Ziklag, while he yet kept himself close because
of Saul the son of Kish: and they *were* among the mighty men, helpers of the war.*
2 *They were* armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in *hurling*
stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow, *even* of Saul's brethren of Benjamin.
3 The chief *was* Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of Shemaah the Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and
Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Berachah, and Jehu the Antothite,†
4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty; and
Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite,
5 Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite,
6 Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,
7 And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.

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‡ **11:22** who had...: Heb. great of deeds § **11:23** great...: Heb. measure ** **11:27** Shammoth: or, Shammah †† **11:27** Harorite: or, Harodite ‡‡ **11:27** Pelonite: or, Paltite §§ **11:29** Sibbecai: or, Mebunnai *** **11:29** Ilai: or, Zalmon ††† **11:30** Heled: or, Heleb ‡‡‡ **11:32** Hurai: or, Hiddai §§§ **11:32** Abiel: or, Abi-albon * **11:34** Hashem: or, Jashen † **11:35** Sacar: or, Sharar ‡ **11:35** Eliphal: or, Eliphelet § **11:35** Ur: or, Ahasbai ** **11:37** Hezro: or Hezrai †† **11:37** Naarai: or Paarai the Arbite ‡‡ **11:38** the son...: or, the Haggerite §§ **11:45** son...: or, Shimrite * **12:1** while...: Heb. being yet shut up † **12:3** Shemaah: or, Hasmaah

8 And of the Gadites there separated themselves unto David into the hold to the
wilderness men of might, *and* men of war *fit* for the battle, that could handle shield and
buckler, whose faces *were like* the faces of lions, and *were* as swift as the roes upon the
mountains;‡§
9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,
10 Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,
11 Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,
12 Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth,
13 Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.
14 These *were* of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: one of the least *was* over an
hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.**
15 These *are* they that went over Jordan in the first month, when it had overflown all his
banks; and they put to flight all *them* of the valleys, *both* toward the east, and toward the
west.††
16 And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the hold unto David.
17 And David went out to meet them, and answered and said unto them, If ye be come
peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart shall be knit unto you: but if *ye be come* to betray
me to mine enemies, seeing *there is* no wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers look
thereon, and rebuke *it*.‡‡§§***
18 Then the spirit came upon Amasai, *who was* chief of the captains, *and he said*, Thine
are we, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace *be* unto thee, and peace
be to thine helpers; for thy God helpeth thee. Then David received them, and made them
captains of the band.†††
19 And there fell *some* of Manasseh to David, when he came with the Philistines against
Saul to battle: but they helped them not: for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement
sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul to *the jeopardy of* our heads.‡‡‡
20 As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediael,
and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that *were* of
Manasseh.
21 And they helped David against the band *of the rovers:* for they *were* all mighty men of
valour, and were captains in the host.§§§
22 For at *that* time day by day there came to David to help him, until *it was* a great host,
like the host of God.
23 ¶ And these *are* the numbers of the bands *that were* ready armed to the war, *and* came
to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD.*
24 The children of Judah that bare shield and spear *were* six thousand and eight hundred,
ready armed to the war.†
25 Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the war, seven thousand and one
hundred.
26 Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred.
27 And Jehoiada *was* the leader of the Aaronites, and with him *were* three thousand and
seven hundred;
28 And Zadok, a young man mighty of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two
captains.
29 And of the children of Benjamin, the kindred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto the
greatest part of them had kept the ward of the house of Saul.‡§
30 And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of
valour, famous throughout the house of their fathers.**
31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were expressed by name,
to come and make David king.
32 And of the children of Issachar, *which were men* that had understanding of the times, to
know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred; and all their brethren
were at their commandment.

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‡ **12:8** of war: Heb. of the host § **12:8** as swift...: Heb. as the roes upon the mountains to make haste ** **12:14** one...: or, one that was least could resist an hundred, and the greatest a thousand †† **12:15** overflown: Heb. filled over ‡‡ **12:17** to meet...: Heb. before them §§ **12:17** be knit: Heb. be one *** **12:17** wrong: or, violence ††† **12:18** came...: Heb. clothed ‡‡‡ **12:19** to the...: Heb. on our heads §§§ **12:21** against...: or, with a band * **12:23** bands: or, captains, or, men: Heb. heads † **12:24** armed: or, prepared ‡ **12:29** kindred: Heb. brethren § **12:29** the greatest...: Heb. a multitude of them ** **12:30** famous: Heb. men of names

33 Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could keep rank: *they were* not of double heart.††‡‡§§
34 And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty and seven thousand.
35 And of the Danites expert in war twenty and eight thousand and six hundred.
36 And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, forty thousand.***
37 And on the other side of Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instruments of war for the battle, an hundred and twenty thousand.
38 All these men of war, that could keep rank, came with a perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel *were* of one heart to make David king.
39 And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.
40 Moreover they that were nigh them, *even* unto Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, *and* meat, meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: for *there was* joy in Israel.†††

13

1 And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, *and* with every leader.
2 And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If *it seem* good unto you, and *that it be* of the LORD our God, let us send abroad unto our brethren every where, *that are* left in all the land of Israel, and with them *also* to the priests and Levites *which are* in their cities *and* suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:*†
3 And let us bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul.‡
4 And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.
5 So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim.
6 And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, *that is*, to Kirjath-jearim, which *belonged* to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth *between* the cherubims, whose name is called *on it*.
7 And they carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart.§
8 And David and all Israel played before God with all *their* might, and with singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.**
9 ¶ And when they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen stumbled.††‡‡
10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God.
11 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called Perez-uzza to this day.§§
12 And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God *home* to me?
13 So David brought not the ark *home* to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.***
14 And the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-edom in his house three months. And the LORD blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that he had.

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†† **12:33** expert...: or, rangers of battle, or, ranged in battle ‡‡ **12:33** keep...: or, set the battle in array §§ **12:33** not...: Heb. without a heart and a heart *** **12:36** expert: or, keeping their rank ††† **12:40** meat...: or, victual of meal * **13:2** send...: Heb. break forth and send † **13:2** in their...: Heb. in the cities of their suburbs ‡ **13:3** bring...: Heb. bring about § **13:7** carried...: Heb. made the ark to ride ** **13:8** singing: Heb. songs †† **13:9** Chidon: also called Nachon ‡‡ **13:9** stumbled: or, shook it §§ **13:11** Perez-uzza: that is, The breach of Uzza *** **13:13** brought: Heb. removed

14

1 Now Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons
and carpenters, to build him an house.
2 And David perceived that the LORD had confirmed him king over Israel, for his
kingdom was lifted up on high, because of his people Israel.
3 ¶ And David took more wives at Jerusalem: and David begat more sons and daughters.*
4 Now these *are* the names of *his* children which he had in Jerusalem; Shammua, and
Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,
5 And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet,
6 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
7 And Elishama, and Beeliada, and Eliphalet.†
8 ¶ And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the
Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard *of it*, and went out against them.
9 And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
10 And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt thou
deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them
into thine hand.
11 So they came up to Baal-perazim; and David smote them there. Then David said,
God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters:
therefore they called the name of that place Baal-perazim.‡
12 And when they had left their gods there, David gave a commandment, and they were
burned with fire.
13 And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in the valley.
14 Therefore David enquired again of God; and God said unto him, Go not up after them;
turn away from them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.
15 And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees,
that then thou shalt go out to battle: for God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of
the Philistines.
16 David therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the host of the Philistines
from Gibeon even to Gazer.§
17 And the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD brought the fear of him
upon all nations.

15

1 And *David* made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of
God, and pitched for it a tent.
2 Then David said, None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the
LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever.*
3 And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD
unto his place, which he had prepared for it.
4 And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:
5 Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twenty:†
6 Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty:
7 Of the sons of Gershom; Joel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and thirty:
8 Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:
9 Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:
10 Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.
11 And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel,
Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,
12 And said unto them, Ye *are* the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves,
both ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto *the
place that* I have prepared for it.
13 For because ye *did it* not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that
we sought him not after the due order.
14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD
God of Israel.
15 And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves
thereon, as Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD.

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* **14:3** more: Heb. yet † **14:7** Beeliada: also called, Eliada ‡ **14:11** Baal-perazim: that is, A place of breaches § **14:16** Gibeon: also called, Geba * **15:2** None...: Heb. It is not to carry the ark of God, but for the Levites † **15:5** brethren: or, kinsmen

16 And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren *to be* the singers
with instruments of musick, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the
voice with joy.
17 So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, Asaph the son of
Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brethren, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;
18 And with them their brethren of the second *degree*, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and
Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah,
and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.
19 So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, *were appointed* to sound with cymbals of
brass;
20 And Zechariah, and Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and
Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries on Alamoth;
21 And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah,
with harps on the Sheminith to excel.‡
22 And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, *was* for song: he instructed about the song,
because he *was* skilful.§**
23 And Berechiah and Elkanah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.
24 And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and
Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God: and
Obed-edom and Jehiah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.
25 ¶ So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up
the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.
26 And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of
the LORD, that they offered seven bullocks and seven rams.
27 And David *was* clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare the ark,
and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers: David also *had*
upon him an ephod of linen.††
28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with
sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries
and harps.
29 ¶ And it came to pass, *as* the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David,
that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and
playing: and she despised him in her heart.

16

1 So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched
for it: and they offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God.
2 And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace
offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.
3 And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every one a loaf of bread,
and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon *of wine*.
4 ¶ And he appointed *certain* of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and
to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:
5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and
Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with
harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;*
6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of the
covenant of God.
7 ¶ Then on that day David delivered first *this psalm* to thank the LORD into the hand of
Asaph and his brethren.
8 Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the
people.
9 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.
10 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.
11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.
12 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments
of his mouth;
13 O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

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‡ **15:21** on the...: or, on the eighth to oversee carriage

** **15:22** song: Heb. lifting up instruments of psalteries and harps

§ **15:22** was for...: or, was for the carriage: he instructed about the

†† **15:27** song: or, carriage

* **16:5** with psalteries...: Heb. with

14 He *is* the LORD our God; his judgments *are* in all the earth.
15 Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations;
16 *Even of the covenant* which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac;
17 And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, *and* to Israel *for* an everlasting covenant,
18 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance;†
19 When ye were but few, even a few, and strangers in it.‡
20 And *when* they went from nation to nation, and from *one* kingdom to another people;
21 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes,
22 *Saying*, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.
23 Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation.
24 Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.
25 For great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also *is* to be feared above all gods.
26 For all the gods of the people *are* idols: but the LORD made the heavens.
27 Glory and honour *are* in his presence; strength and gladness *are* in his place.
28 Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.
29 Give unto the LORD the glory *due* unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
30 Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.
31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let *men* say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.
32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that *is* therein.
33 Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.
34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
35 And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, *and* glory in thy praise.
36 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD.
37 ¶ So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:
38 And Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah *to be* porters:
39 And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,
40 To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and *to do* according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which he commanded Israel;§
41 And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because his mercy *endureth* for ever;
42 And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* porters.**
43 And all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.

17

1 Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of the LORD *remaineth* under curtains.
2 Then Nathan said unto David, Do all that *is* in thine heart; for God *is* with thee.
3 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,
4 Go and tell David my servant, Thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:
5 For I have not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day; but have gone from tent to tent, and from *one* tabernacle *to another*.*

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† **16:18** the lot: Heb. the cord ‡ **16:19** few, even: Heb. men of number, etc § **16:40** morning...: Heb. in the morning, and in the evening ** **16:42** porters: Heb. for the gate * **17:5** have gone: Heb. have been

6 Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the judges of Israel,
whom I commanded to feed my people, saying, Why have ye not built me an house of
cedars?
7 Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
I took thee from the sheepcote, *even* from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler
over my people Israel:†
8 And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine
enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of the great men that
are in the earth.
9 Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell
in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste
them any more, as at the beginning,
10 And since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over my people Israel. Moreover
I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an
house.
11 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must go *to be* with thy
fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish
his kingdom.
12 He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne for ever.
13 I will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not take my mercy away from
him, as I took *it* from *him* that was before thee:
14 But I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for ever: and his throne shall
be established for evermore.
15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto
David.
16 ¶ And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who *am* I, O LORD God,
and what *is* mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?
17 And *yet* this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God; for thou hast *also* spoken of thy
servant's house for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of
a man of high degree, O LORD God.
18 What can David *speak* more to thee for the honour of thy servant? for thou knowest
thy servant.
19 O LORD, for thy servant's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all
this greatness, in making known all *these* great things.‡
20 O LORD, *there is* none like thee, neither *is there any* God beside thee, according to all
that we have heard with our ears.
21 And what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people Israel, whom God went to redeem
to be his own people, to make thee a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out
nations from before thy people, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt?
22 For thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, LORD,
becamest their God.
23 Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and
concerning his house be established for ever, and do as thou hast said.
24 Let it even be established, that thy name may be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD
of hosts *is* the God of Israel, *even* a God to Israel: and *let* the house of David thy servant *be*
established before thee.
25 For thou, O my God, hast told thy servant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore
thy servant hath found *in his heart* to pray before thee.§
26 And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:
27 Now therefore let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before
thee for ever: for thou blessest, O LORD, and *it shall be* blessed for ever.**

18

1 Now after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them, and
took Gath and her towns out of the hand of the Philistines.
2 And he smote Moab; and the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.
3 ¶ And David smote Hadarezer king of Zobah unto Hamath, as he went to stablish his
dominion by the river Euphrates.*

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† **17:7** from following: Heb. from after ‡ **17:19** great...: Heb. greatnesses § **17:25** hast...: Heb. hast revealed the ear of thy servant ** **17:27** let...: or, it hath pleased thee * **18:3** Hadarezer: or, Hadadezer

4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and seven thousand horsemen, and
twenty thousand footmen: David also houghed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them
an hundred chariots.†
5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadarezer king of Zobah, David slew
of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.‡
6 Then David put *garrisons* in Syria-damascus; and the Syrians became David's servants,
and brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.
7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought
them to Jerusalem.
8 Likewise from Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, brought David very much
brass, wherewith Solomon made the brasen sea, and the pillars, and the vessels of brass.§
9 ¶ Now when Tou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the host of Hadarezer
king of Zobah;**
10 He sent Hadoram his son to king David, to enquire of his welfare, and to congratulate
him, because he had fought against Hadarezer, and smitten him; (for Hadarezer had war
with Tou;) and *with him* all manner of vessels of gold and silver and brass.††‡‡§§***
11 ¶ Them also king David dedicated unto the LORD, with the silver and the gold that
he brought from all *these* nations; from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of
Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.
12 Moreover Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew of the Edomites in the valley of salt eighteen
thousand.†††
13 ¶ And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became David's servants. Thus
the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.
14 ¶ So David reigned over all Israel, and executed judgment and justice among all his
people.
15 And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud,
recorder.‡‡‡
16 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Abimelech the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and
Shavsha was scribe;§§§*
17 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and the
sons of David *were* chief about the king.†

19

1 Now it came to pass after this, that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon died, and
his son reigned in his stead.
2 And David said, I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, because his father
shewed kindness to me. And David sent messengers to comfort him concerning his father.
So the servants of David came into the land of the children of Ammon to Hanun, to comfort
him.
3 But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, Thinkest thou that David doth
honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? are not his servants come unto
thee for to search, and to overthrow, and to spy out the land?*
4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments
in the midst hard by their buttocks, and sent them away.
5 Then there went *certain*, and told David how the men were served. And he sent to meet
them: for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your
beards be grown, and *then* return.
6 ¶ And when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves odious to
David, Hanun and the children of Ammon sent a thousand talents of silver to hire them
chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia, and out of Syria-maachah, and out of Zobah.†
7 So they hired thirty and two thousand chariots, and the king of Maachah and his people;
who came and pitched before Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves
together from their cities, and came to battle.
8 And when David heard *of it*, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men.

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† **18:4** seven...: or, seven hundred ‡ **18:5** Damascus: Heb. Darmesek § **18:8** Tibhath...: called in the book of Samuel Betah, and Berothai ** **18:9** Tou: also called, Toi †† **18:10** Hadoram: also called, Joram ‡‡ **18:10** to enquire...: or, to salute §§ **18:10** to congratulate: Heb. to bless *** **18:10** had war: Heb. was the man of wars ††† **18:12** Abishai: Heb. Abshai ‡‡‡ **18:15** recorder: or, remembrancer §§§ **18:16** Abimelech: also called, Ahimelech * **18:16** Shavsha: also called Seraiah or Shisha † **18:17** about...: Heb. at the hand of the king * **19:3** Thinkest...: Heb. In thine eyes doth David, etc † **19:6** odious: Heb. to stink

9 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array before the gate of the city: and the kings that were come *were* by themselves in the field.
10 Now when Joab saw that the battle was set against him before and behind, he chose out of all the choice of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians.‡§
11 And the rest of the people he delivered unto the hand of Abishai his brother, and they set *themselves* in array against the children of Ammon.**
12 And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will help thee.
13 Be of good courage, and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our people, and for the cities of our God: and let the LORD do *that which is* good in his sight.
14 So Joab and the people that *were* with him drew nigh before the Syrians unto the battle; and they fled before him.
15 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before Abishai his brother, and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.
16 ¶ And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that *were* beyond the river: and Shophach the captain of the host of Hadarezer *went* before them.††‡‡
17 And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed over Jordan, and came upon them, and set *the battle* in array against them. So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians, they fought with him.
18 But the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians seven thousand *men which fought in* chariots, and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host.
19 And when the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and became his servants: neither would the Syrians help the children of Ammon any more.

20

1 And it came to pass, that after the year was expired, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, Joab led forth the power of the army, and wasted the country of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried at Jerusalem. And Joab smote Rabbah, and destroyed it.*
2 And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it to weigh a talent of gold, and *there were* precious stones in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought also exceeding much spoil out of the city.†
3 And he brought out the people that *were* in it, and cut *them* with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. Even so dealt David with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.
4 ¶ And it came to pass after this, that there arose war at Gezer with the Philistines; at which time Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Sippai, *that was* of the children of the giant: and they were subdued.‡§**††
5 And there was war again with the Philistines; and Elhanan the son of Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff *was* like a weaver's beam.‡‡
6 And yet again there was war at Gath, where was a man of *great* stature, whose fingers and toes *were* four and twenty, six *on each hand*, and six *on each foot:* and he also was the son of the giant.§§***
7 But when he defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea David's brother slew him.†††‡‡‡
8 These were born unto the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

21

1 And Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.
2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to me, that I may know *it*.

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‡ **19:10** the battle...: Heb. the face of the battle was § **19:10** choice: or, young men ** **19:11** Abishai: Heb. Abshai †† **19:16** river: that is, Euphrates ‡‡ **19:16** Shophach: also called, Shobach * **20:1** after...: Heb. at the return of the year † **20:2** to weigh: Heb. the weight of ‡ **20:4** arose: or, continued: Heb. stood § **20:4** Gezer: also called, Gob ** **20:4** Sippai: also called, Saph †† **20:4** the giant: or, Rapha ‡‡ **20:5** Jair: also called, Jaare-oregim §§ **20:6** great...: Heb. measure *** **20:6** the son...: Heb. born to the giant, or, Rapha ††† **20:7** defied: or, reproached ‡‡‡ **20:7** Shimea: also called Shammah

3 And Joab answered, The LORD make his people an hundred times so many more as
they *be:* but, my lord the king, *are* they not all my lord's servants? why then doth my lord
require this thing? why will he be a cause of trespass to Israel?
4 Nevertheless the king's word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and
went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.
5 ¶ And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people unto David. And all *they of* Israel
were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand men that drew sword: and Judah
was four hundred threescore and ten thousand men that drew sword.
6 But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's word was abom-
inable to Joab.
7 And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he smote Israel.*
8 And David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now,
I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.
9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying,
10 Go and tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three *things:* choose thee
one of them, that I may do *it* unto thee.†
11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Choose thee‡
12 Either three years' famine; or three months to be destroyed before thy foes, while that
the sword of thine enemies overtaketh *thee;* or else three days the sword of the LORD, even
the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the coasts
of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to him that sent me.
13 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of the
LORD; for very great *are* his mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of man.§
14 ¶ So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand
men.
15 And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD
beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough,
stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the
Jebusite.**
16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth
and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then
David and the elders *of Israel, who were* clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.
17 And David said unto God, *Is it* not I *that* commanded the people to be numbered? even
I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done?
let thine hand, I pray thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on
thy people, that they should be plagued.
18 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go
up, and set up an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.
19 And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spake in the name of the LORD.
20 And Ornan turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with him hid themselves.
Now Ornan was threshing wheat.††
21 And as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked and saw David, and went out of the
threshingfloor, and bowed himself to David with *his* face to the ground.
22 Then David said to Ornan, Grant me the place of *this* threshingfloor, that I may build
an altar therein unto the LORD: thou shalt grant it me for the full price: that the plague
may be stayed from the people.‡‡
23 And Ornan said unto David, Take *it* to thee, and let my lord the king do *that which
is* good in his eyes: lo, I give *thee* the oxen *also* for burnt offerings, and the threshing
instruments for wood, and the wheat for the meat offering; I give it all.
24 And king David said to Ornan, Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will
not take *that* which *is* thine for the LORD, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.
25 So David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight.
26 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace
offerings, and called upon the LORD; and he answered him from heaven by fire upon the
altar of burnt offering.
27 And the LORD commanded the angel; and he put up his sword again into the sheath
thereof.

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* **21:7** And...: Heb. And it was evil in the eyes of the LORD concerning this thing † **21:10** offer: Heb. stretch out
‡ **21:11** Choose...: Heb. Take to thee § **21:13** very great: or, very many ** **21:15** Ornan: also called, Araunah
†† **21:20** And Ornan...: or, When Ornan turned back and saw the angel, then he and his four sons with him hid themselves
‡‡ **21:22** Grant: Heb. Give

28 ¶ At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in the threshingfloor
of Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there.
29 For the tabernacle of the LORD, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of
the burnt offering, *were* at that season in the high place at Gibeon.
30 But David could not go before it to enquire of God: for he was afraid because of the
sword of the angel of the LORD.

22

1 Then David said, This *is* the house of the LORD God, and this *is* the altar of the burnt
offering for Israel.
2 And David commanded to gather together the strangers that *were* in the land of Israel;
and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.
3 And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for
the joinings; and brass in abundance without weight;
4 Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar
wood to David.
5 And David said, Solomon my son *is* young and tender, and the house *that is* to be builded
for the LORD *must be* exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries:
I will *therefore* now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his
death.
6 ¶ Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD
God of Israel.
7 And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto
the name of the LORD my God:
8 But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and
hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed
much blood upon the earth in my sight.
9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest
from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and
quietness unto Israel in his days.*
10 He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I *will be* his father;
and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.
11 Now, my son, the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the
LORD thy God, as he hath said of thee.
12 Only the LORD give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning
Israel, that thou mayest keep the law of the LORD thy God.
13 Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which
the LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread
not, nor be dismayed.
14 Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the LORD an hundred
thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron
without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou
mayest add thereto.†
15 Moreover *there are* workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone
and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every manner of work.‡
16 Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, *there is* no number. Arise *therefore*,
and be doing, and the LORD be with thee.
17 ¶ David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, *saying*,
18 *Is* not the LORD your God with you? and hath he *not* given you rest on every side? for
he hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand; and the land is subdued before
the LORD, and before his people.
19 Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God; arise therefore, and build
ye the sanctuary of the LORD God, to bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the
holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of the LORD.

23

1 So when David was old and full of days, he made Solomon his son king over Israel.
2 ¶ And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.
3 Now the Levites were numbered from the age of thirty years and upward: and their
number by their polls, man by man, was thirty and eight thousand.

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* **22:9** Solomon: that is, Peaceable † **22:14** trouble: or, poverty ‡ **22:15** workers...: that is, masons and carpenters

4 Of which, twenty and four thousand *were* to set forward the work of the house of the
LORD; and six thousand *were* officers and judges:*
5 Moreover four thousand *were* porters; and four thousand praised the LORD with the
instruments which I made, *said David*, to praise *therewith*.
6 And David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi, *namely*, Gershon, Kohath,
and Merari.†
7 ¶ Of the Gershonites *were*, Laadan, and Shimei.‡
8 The sons of Laadan; the chief *was* Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three.
9 The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These *were* the chief of
the fathers of Laadan.
10 And the sons of Shimei *were*, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four *were* the
sons of Shimei.§
11 And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah had not many
sons; therefore they were in one reckoning, according to *their* father's house.**
12 ¶ The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.
13 The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should
sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for ever, to burn incense before the LORD, to
minister unto him, and to bless in his name for ever.
14 Now *concerning* Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.
15 The sons of Moses *were*, Gershom, and Eliezer.
16 Of the sons of Gershom, Shebuel *was* the chief.††
17 And the sons of Eliezer *were*, Rehabiah the chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but
the sons of Rehabiah were very many.‡‡§§
18 Of the sons of Izhar; Shelomith the chief.***
19 Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and
Jekameam the fourth.
20 Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah the first, and Jesiah the second.
21 ¶ The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish.
22 And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their brethren the sons of Kish
took them.†††
23 The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.
24 ¶ These *were* the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers; *even* the chief of the
fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work for the
service of the house of the LORD, from the age of twenty years and upward.
25 For David said, The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto his people, that they may
dwell in Jerusalem for ever:‡‡‡
26 And also unto the Levites; they shall no *more* carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of
it for the service thereof.
27 For by the last words of David the Levites *were* numbered from twenty years old and
above:§§§
28 Because their office *was* to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the
LORD, in the courts, and in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the
work of the service of the house of God;*
29 Both for the shewbread, and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the unleav-
ened cakes, and for *that which is baked in* the pan, and for that which is fried, and for all
manner of measure and size;†
30 And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even;
31 And to offer all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and
on the set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually
before the LORD:
32 And that they should keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the
charge of the holy *place*, and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service
of the house of the LORD.

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* **23:4** set...: or, oversee † **23:6** courses: Heb. divisions ‡ **23:7** Laadan: or, Libni § **23:10** Zina: or, Zizah
** **23:11** had...: Heb. did not multiply sons †† **23:16** Shebuel: also called, Shubael ‡‡ **23:17** the chief: or, the first
§§ **23:17** very many: Heb. highly multiplied *** **23:18** Shelomith: also called, Shelomoth ††† **23:22** brethren:
or, kinsmen ‡‡‡ **23:25** that...: or, and he dwelleth in Jerusalem, etc §§§ **23:27** numbered: Heb. number * **23:28**
their...: Heb. their station was at the hand of the sons of Aaron † **23:29** pan: or, flat plate

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1 Now *these are* the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu,
Eleazar, and Ithamar.
2 But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore Eleazar
and Ithamar executed the priest's office.
3 And David distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the
sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.
4 And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar;
and *thus* were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen chief men of the
house of *their* fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their
fathers.
5 Thus were they divided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary,
and governors *of the house* of God, were of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.
6 And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel the scribe, *one* of the Levites, wrote them before the
king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and *before*
the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: one principal household being taken for
Eleazar, and *one* taken for Ithamar.*
7 Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,
8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,
9 The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,
10 The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah,
11 The ninth to Jeshua, the tenth to Shecaniah,
12 The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,
13 The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,
14 The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,
15 The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,
16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezekel,
17 The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,
18 The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.
19 These *were* the orderings of them in their service to come into the house of the LORD,
according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had
commanded him.
20 ¶ And the rest of the sons of Levi *were these:* Of the sons of Amram; Shubael: of the
sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.†
21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first *was* Isshiah.
22 Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.‡
23 And the sons *of Hebron;* Jeriah *the first*, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third,
Jekameam the fourth.
24 *Of* the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.
25 The brother of Michah *was* Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.
26 The sons of Merari *were* Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno.
27 ¶ The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.
28 Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, who had no sons.
29 Concerning Kish: the son of Kish *was* Jerahmeel.
30 The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These *were* the sons of the
Levites after the house of their fathers.
31 These likewise cast lots over against their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence
of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the priests and
Levites, even the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

25

1 Moreover David and the captains of the host separated to the service of the sons of
Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, with psalteries,
and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen according to their service was:
2 Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of
Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied according to the order of the king.*†

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* **24:6** principal...: Heb. house of the father † **24:20** Shubael: also called, Shebuel ‡ **24:22** Shelomoth: also called, Shelomith * **25:2** Asarelah: otherwise called Jesharelah † **25:2** according...: Heb. by the hands of the king

3 Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiah, Hashabiah, and
Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to
give thanks and to praise the LORD.‡
4 Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth,
Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir,
and Mahazioth:§**
5 All these *were* the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the horn.
And God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.††
6 All these *were* under the hands of their father for song *in* the house of the LORD, with
cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God, according to the king's
order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.‡‡
7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the songs of the
LORD, *even* all that were cunning, was two hundred fourscore and eight.
8 ¶ And they cast lots, ward against *ward*, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the
scholar.
9 Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his
brethren and sons *were* twelve:
10 The third to Zaccur, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
11 The fourth to Izri, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
12 The fifth to Nethaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
13 The sixth to Bukkiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
14 The seventh to Jesharelah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
15 The eighth to Jeshaiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
16 The ninth to Mattaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
17 The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
18 The eleventh to Azareel, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
19 The twelfth to Hashabiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
20 The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
23 The sixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
25 The eighteenth to Hanani, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
26 The nineteenth to Mallothi, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
27 The twentieth to Eliathah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
30 The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
31 The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve.

26

1 Concerning the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites *was* Meshelemiah the son of
Kore, of the sons of Asaph.*†
2 And the sons of Meshelemiah *were*, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediael the second,
Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,
3 Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.
4 Moreover the sons of Obed-edom *were*, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second,
Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth,
5 Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed him.‡
6 Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their
father: for they *were* mighty men of valour.
7 The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren *were*
strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.
8 All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able men
for strength for the service, *were* threescore and two of Obed-edom.
9 And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen.
10 Also Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons; Simri the chief, (for *though* he was not
the firstborn, yet his father made him the chief;)

‡ **25:3** Zeri: or, Izri § **25:4** Uzziel: also called, Azareel ** **25:4** Shebuel: also called, Shubael †† **25:5** words: or, matters ‡‡ **25:6** according...: Heb. by the hands of the king * **26:1** Meshelemiah: also called, Shelemiah † **26:1** Asaph: also called, Ebiasaph ‡ **26:5** him: that is, Obed-edom

11 Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren
of Hosah *were* thirteen.
12 Among these *were* the divisions of the porters, *even* among the chief men, *having* wards
one against another, to minister in the house of the LORD.
13 ¶ And they cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to the house of their
fathers, for every gate.§
14 And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor,
they cast lots; and his lot came out northward.**
15 To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the house of Asuppim.††
16 To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came forth* westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the
causeway of the going up, ward against ward.
17 Eastward *were* six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward
Asuppim two *and* two.
18 At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, *and* two at Parbar.
19 These *are* the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of
Merari.
20 ¶ And of the Levites, Ahijah *was* over the treasures of the house of God, and over the
treasures of the dedicated things.‡‡
21 *As concerning* the sons of Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers,
even of Laadan the Gershonite, *were* Jehieli.§§***
22 The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, *which were* over the treasures of the
house of the LORD.
23 Of the Amramites, *and* the Izharites, the Hebronites, *and* the Uzzielites:
24 And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, *was* ruler of the treasures.
25 And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his son, and Joram his son,
and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.
26 Which Shelomith and his brethren *were* over all the treasures of the dedicated things,
which David the king, and the chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds,
and the captains of the host, had dedicated.
27 Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain the house of the LORD.†††
28 And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and
Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; *and* whosoever had dedicated *any thing, it was*
under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren.
29 ¶ Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons *were* for the outward business over Israel,
for officers and judges.
30 *And* of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, men of valour, a thousand and
seven hundred, *were* officers among them of Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the
business of the LORD, and in the service of the king.‡‡‡
31 Among the Hebronites *was* Jerijah the chief, *even* among the Hebronites, according to
the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought
for, and there were found among them mighty men of valour at Jazer of Gilead.
32 And his brethren, men of valour, *were* two thousand and seven hundred chief fathers,
whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of
Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and affairs of the king.§§§

27

1 Now the children of Israel after their number, *to wit*, the chief fathers and captains
of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served the king in any matter of the
courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the
year, of every course *were* twenty and four thousand.
2 Over the first course for the first month *was* Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his
course *were* twenty and four thousand.
3 Of the children of Perez *was* the chief of all the captains of the host for the first month.
4 And over the course of the second month *was* Dodai an Ahohite, and of his course *was*
Mikloth also the ruler: in his course likewise *were* twenty and four thousand.*

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§ **26:13** as well...: or, as well for the small as for the great ** **26:14** Shelemiah: also called Meshelemiah †† **26:15** Asuppim: Heb. gatherings ‡‡ **26:20** dedicated...: Heb. holy things §§ **26:21** Laadan: also called, Libni *** **26:21** Jehieli: also called, Jehiel ††† **26:27** spoils...: Heb. battles and spoils ‡‡‡ **26:30** officers...: Heb. over the charge §§§ **26:32** affairs: Heb. thing * **27:4** Dodai: also called, Dodo

5 The third captain of the host for the third month *was* Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a
chief priest: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.†
6 This *is that* Benaiah, *who was* mighty *among* the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his
course *was* Ammizabad his son.
7 The fourth *captain* for the fourth month *was* Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah
his son after him: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
8 The fifth captain for the fifth month *was* Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course *were*
twenty and four thousand.
9 The sixth *captain* for the sixth month *was* Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his
course *were* twenty and four thousand.
10 The seventh *captain* for the seventh month *was* Helez the Pelonite, of the children of
Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
11 The eighth *captain* for the eighth month *was* Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites:
and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
12 The ninth *captain* for the ninth month *was* Abi-ezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites:
and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
13 The tenth *captain* for the tenth month *was* Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites:
and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
14 The eleventh *captain* for the eleventh month *was* Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the
children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
15 The twelfth *captain* for the twelfth month *was* Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and
in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.‡
16 ¶ Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites *was* Eliezer the son
of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:
17 Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:
18 Of Judah, Elihu, *one* of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:§
19 Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:
20 Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh,
Joel the son of Pedaiah:
21 Of the half *tribe* of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel
the son of Abner:
22 Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These *were* the princes of the tribes of Israel.
23 ¶ But David took not the number of them from twenty years old and under: because
the LORD had said he would increase Israel like to the stars of the heavens.
24 Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not, because there fell wrath
for it against Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king
David.**
25 ¶ And over the king's treasures *was* Azmaveth the son of Adiel: and over the
storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles, *was* Jehonathan
the son of Uzziah:
26 And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground *was* Ezri the son
of Chelub:
27 And over the vineyards *was* Shimei the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards
for the wine cellars *was* Zabdi the Shiphmite:††
28 And over the olive trees and the sycomore trees that *were* in the low plains *was* Baal-
hanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil *was* Joash:
29 And over the herds that fed in Sharon *was* Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds
that were in the valleys *was* Shaphat the son of Adlai:
30 Over the camels also *was* Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the asses *was* Jehdeiah the
Meronothite:
31 And over the flocks *was* Jaziz the Hagerite. All these *were* the rulers of the substance
which *was* king David's.
32 Also Jonathan David's uncle was a counsellor, a wise man, and a scribe: and Jehiel the
son of Hachmoni *was* with the king's sons:‡‡§§
33 And Ahithophel *was* the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite *was* the king's
companion:
34 And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the general
of the king's army *was* Joab.

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† **27:5** chief...: or, principal officer ‡ **27:15** Heldai: also called, Heled § **27:18** Elihu: also called, Eliab ** **27:24** was: Heb. ascended †† **27:27** over the increase...: Heb. over that which was of the vineyards ‡‡ **27:32** scribe: or, secretary §§ **27:32** son...: or, Hachmonite

28

1 And David assembled all the princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the
captains of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the captains over the
thousands, and captains over the hundreds, and the stewards over all the substance and
possession of the king, and of his sons, with the officers, and with the mighty men, and with
all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.*†‡
2 Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my
people: *As for me*, I *had* in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of the covenant
of the LORD, and for the footstool of our God, and had made ready for the building:
3 But God said unto me, Thou shalt not build an house for my name, because thou *hast*
been a man of war, and hast shed blood.§
4 Howbeit the LORD God of Israel chose me before all the house of my father to be king
over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen Judah *to be* the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the
house of my father; and among the sons of my father he liked me to make *me* king over all
Israel:
5 And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) he hath chosen Solomon
my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.
6 And he said unto me, Solomon thy son, he shall build my house and my courts: for I
have chosen him *to be* my son, and I will be his father.
7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant to do my command-
ments and my judgments, as at this day.**
8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the LORD, and in the
audience of our God, keep and seek for all the commandments of the LORD your God: that
ye may possess this good land, and leave *it* for an inheritance for your children after you
for ever.
9 ¶ And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him
with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and
understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of
thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.
10 Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be
strong, and do *it*.
11 ¶ Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses
thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner
parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat,
12 And the pattern of all that he had by the spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD,
and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the
treasuries of the dedicated things:††
13 Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of
the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of the LORD.
14 *He gave* of gold by weight for *things* of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service;
silver also for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of
service:
15 Even the weight for the candlesticks of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for
every candlestick, and for the lamps thereof: and for the candlesticks of silver by weight,
both for the candlestick, and *also* for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every
candlestick.
16 And by weight *he gave* gold for the tables of shewbread, for every table; and *likewise*
silver for the tables of silver:
17 Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden
basons *he gave gold* by weight for every bason; and *likewise silver* by weight for every
bason of silver:
18 And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the
chariot of the cherubims, that spread out *their wings*, and covered the ark of the covenant
of the LORD.
19 All *this, said David*, the LORD made me understand in writing by *his* hand upon me,
even all the works of this pattern.
20 And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do *it:* fear not,
nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, *even* my God, *will be* with thee; he will not fail thee,

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* **28:1** possession: or, cattle † **28:1** and of...: or, and his sons ‡ **28:1** officers: or, eunuchs § **28:3** blood: Heb. bloods ** **28:7** constant: Heb. strong †† **28:12** of all that...: Heb. of all that was with him

nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

21 And, behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites, *even they shall be with thee* for all the service of the house of God: and *there shall be* with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the people *will be* wholly at thy commandment.

29

1 Furthermore David the king said unto all the congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God hath chosen, *is yet* young and tender, and the work *is* great: for the palace *is* not for man, but for the LORD God.

2 Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the gold for *things to be made* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and the brass for *things* of brass, the iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; onyx stones, and *stones* to be set, glistering stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.

3 Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, *which* I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house,

4 *Even* three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses *withal:*

5 The gold for *things* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work *to be made* by the hands of artificers. And who *then* is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the LORD?*

6 ¶ Then the chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,

7 And gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

8 And they with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasure of the house of the LORD, by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite.

9 Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

10 ¶ Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed *be* thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

11 Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine;* thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

12 Both riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.

13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

14 But who *am* I, and what *is* my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things *come* of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.†‡

15 For we *are* strangers before thee, and sojourners, as *were* all our fathers: our days on the earth *are* as a shadow, and *there is* none abiding.§

16 O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy name *cometh* of thine hand, and *is* all thine own.

17 I know also, my God, that thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto thee.**

18 O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee:††

19 And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies, and thy statutes, and to do all *these things*, and to build the palace, *for* the which I have made provision.

20 ¶ And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your God. And all the congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshipped the LORD, and the king.

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* **29:5** consecrate his service: Heb. fill his hand † **29:14** be able: Heb. retain, or, obtain strength ‡ **29:14** of thine...: Heb. of thine hand § **29:15** abiding: Heb. expectation ** **29:17** present: Heb. found †† **29:18** prepare: or, stablish

21 And they sacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings unto the
LORD, on the morrow after that day, *even* a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams, *and* a
thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:
22 And did eat and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made
Solomon the son of David king the second time, and anointed *him* unto the LORD *to be* the
chief governor, and Zadok *to be* priest.
23 Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and
prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.
24 And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David,
submitted themselves unto Solomon the king.‡‡
25 And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and bestowed
upon him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.
26 ¶ Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.
27 And the time that he reigned over Israel *was* forty years; seven years reigned he in
Hebron, and thirty and three *years* reigned he in Jerusalem.
28 And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son
reigned in his stead.
29 Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of
Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,§§
30 With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and
over all the kingdoms of the countries.

‡‡ **29:24** submitted...: Heb. gave the hand under Solomon

§§ **29:29** book: or, history: Heb. words

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1 And Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and the LORD his God
was with him, and magnified him exceedingly.
2 Then Solomon spake unto all Israel, to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and
to the judges, and to every governor in all Israel, the chief of the fathers.
3 So Solomon, and all the congregation with him, went to the high place that *was* at
Gibeon; for there was the tabernacle of the congregation of God, which Moses the servant
of the LORD had made in the wilderness.
4 But the ark of God had David brought up from Kirjath-jearim to *the place which* David
had prepared for it: for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem.
5 Moreover the brasen altar, that Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, he put
before the tabernacle of the LORD: and Solomon and the congregation sought unto it.*
6 And Solomon went up thither to the brasen altar before the LORD, which *was* at the
tabernacle of the congregation, and offered a thousand burnt offerings upon it.
7 ¶ In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give
thee.
8 And Solomon said unto God, Thou hast shewed great mercy unto David my father, and
hast made me to reign in his stead.
9 Now, O LORD God, let thy promise unto David my father be established: for thou hast
made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.†
10 Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people:
for who can judge this thy people, *that is so* great?
11 And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked
riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life;
but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over
whom I have made thee king:
12 Wisdom and knowledge *is* granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth,
and honour, such as none of the kings have had that *have been* before thee, neither shall
there any after thee have the like.
13 ¶ Then Solomon came *from his journey* to the high place that *was* at Gibeon to
Jerusalem, from before the tabernacle of the congregation, and reigned over Israel.
14 And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four
hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, which he placed in the chariot cities,
and with the king at Jerusalem.
15 And the king made silver and gold at Jerusalem *as plenteous* as stones, and cedar trees
made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale for abundance.‡
16 And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants
received the linen yarn at a price.§
17 And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred *shekels*
of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so brought they out *horses* for all the
kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, by their means.**

2

1 And Solomon determined to build an house for the name of the LORD, and an house for
his kingdom.
2 And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to bear burdens, and fourscore
thousand to hew in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them.
3 ¶ And Solomon sent to Huram the king of Tyre, saying, As thou didst deal with David
my father, and didst send him cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, *even so deal
with me*.*
4 Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate *it* to him, *and*
to burn before him sweet incense, and for the continual shewbread, and for the burnt
offerings morning and evening, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn
feasts of the LORD our God. This *is an ordinance* for ever to Israel.†
5 And the house which I build *is* great: for great *is* our God above all gods.

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* **1:5** he put: or, was there † **1:9** like...: Heb. much as the dust of the earth ‡ **1:15** made: Heb. gave § **1:16** Solomon...: Heb. the going forth of the horses which was Solomon's ** **1:17** means: Heb. hand * **2:3** Huram: or, Hiram † **2:4** sweet...: Heb. incense of spices

6 But who is able to build him an house, seeing the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot
contain him? who *am* I then, that I should build him an house, save only to burn sacrifice
before him?‡
7 Send me now therefore a man cunning to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and
in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that can skill to grave with the cunning
men that *are* with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide.§
8 Send me also cedar trees, fir trees, and algum trees, out of Lebanon: for I know that
thy servants can skill to cut timber in Lebanon; and, behold, my servants *shall be* with thy
servants,**
9 Even to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which I am about to build *shall
be* wonderful great.††
10 And, behold, I will give to thy servants, the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand
measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty thousand
baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil.
11 ¶ Then Huram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon,
Because the LORD hath loved his people, he hath made thee king over them.
12 Huram said moreover, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, that made heaven and earth,
who hath given to David the king a wise son, endued with prudence and understanding,
that might build an house for the LORD, and an house for his kingdom.‡‡
13 And now I have sent a cunning man, endued with understanding, of Huram my
father's,
14 The son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father *was* a man of Tyre, skilful
to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and
in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every
device which shall be put to him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my
lord David thy father.
15 Now therefore the wheat, and the barley, the oil, and the wine, which my lord hath
spoken of, let him send unto his servants:
16 And we will cut wood out of Lebanon, as much as thou shalt need: and we will bring
it to thee in floats by sea to Joppa; and thou shalt carry it up to Jerusalem.§§***
17 ¶ And Solomon numbered all the strangers that *were* in the land of Israel, after the
numbering wherewith David his father had numbered them; and they were found an
hundred and fifty thousand and three thousand and six hundred.†††
18 And he set threescore and ten thousand of them *to be* bearers of burdens, and
fourscore thousand *to be* hewers in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred
overseers to set the people a work.

3

1 Then Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in mount Moriah,
where *the LORD* appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in
the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.*†
2 And he began to build in the second *day* of the second month, in the fourth year of his
reign.
3 ¶ Now these *are the things wherein* Solomon was instructed for the building of the house
of God. The length by cubits after the first measure *was* threescore cubits, and the breadth
twenty cubits.‡
4 And the porch that *was* in the front *of the house*, the length *of it was* according to the
breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the height *was* an hundred and twenty: and he
overlaid it within with pure gold.
5 And the greater house he cieled with fir tree, which he overlaid with fine gold, and set
thereon palm trees and chains.
6 And he garnished the house with precious stones for beauty: and the gold *was* gold of
Parvaim.§
7 He overlaid also the house, the beams, the posts, and the walls thereof, and the doors
thereof, with gold; and graved cherubims on the walls.

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‡ **2:6** is able: Heb. hath retained, or, obtained strength § **2:7** to grave: Heb. to grave gravings ** **2:8** algum: also called, almuggim †† **2:9** wonderful...: Heb. great and wonderful ‡‡ **2:12** endued...: Heb. knowing prudence and understanding §§ **2:16** as much...: Heb according to all thy need *** **2:16** Joppa: Heb. Japho ††† **2:17** the strangers: Heb. the men the strangers * **3:1** where...: or, which was seen of David his father † **3:1** Ornan: also called, Araunah ‡ **3:3** instructed: Heb. founded § **3:6** garnished: Heb. covered

8 And he made the most holy house, the length whereof *was* according to the breadth of
the house, twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubits: and he overlaid it with
fine gold, *amounting* to six hundred talents.
9 And the weight of the nails *was* fifty shekels of gold. And he overlaid the upper
chambers with gold.
10 And in the most holy house he made two cherubims of image work, and overlaid them
with gold.**
11 ¶ And the wings of the cherubims *were* twenty cubits long: one wing *of the one cherub*
was five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing *was likewise* five
cubits, reaching to the wing of the other cherub.
12 And *one* wing of the other cherub *was* five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house:
and the other wing *was* five cubits *also*, joining to the wing of the other cherub.
13 The wings of these cherubims spread themselves forth twenty cubits: and they stood
on their feet, and their faces *were* inward.††
14 ¶ And he made the vail *of* blue, and purple, and crimson, and fine linen, and wrought
cherubims thereon.‡‡
15 Also he made before the house two pillars of thirty and five cubits high, and the
chapiter that *was* on the top of each of them *was* five cubits.§§
16 And he made chains, *as* in the oracle, and put *them* on the heads of the pillars; and
made an hundred pomegranates, and put *them* on the chains.
17 And he reared up the pillars before the temple, one on the right hand, and the other
on the left; and called the name of that on the right hand Jachin, and the name of that on
the left Boaz.***†††

4

1 Moreover he made an altar of brass, twenty cubits the length thereof, and twenty cubits
the breadth thereof, and ten cubits the height thereof.
2 ¶ Also he made a molten sea of ten cubits from brim to brim, round in compass, and
five cubits the height thereof; and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.*
3 And under it *was* the similitude of oxen, which did compass it round about: ten in a
cubit, compassing the sea round about. Two rows of oxen *were* cast, when it was cast.
4 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward
the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the
sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.
5 And the thickness of it *was* an handbreadth, and the brim of it like the work of the brim
of a cup, with flowers of lilies; *and* it received and held three thousand baths.†
6 ¶ He made also ten lavers, and put five on the right hand, and five on the left, to wash in
them: such things as they offered for the burnt offering they washed in them; but the sea
was for the priests to wash in.‡
7 And he made ten candlesticks of gold according to their form, and set *them* in the
temple, five on the right hand, and five on the left.
8 He made also ten tables, and placed *them* in the temple, five on the right side, and five
on the left. And he made an hundred basons of gold.§
9 ¶ Furthermore he made the court of the priests, and the great court, and doors for the
court, and overlaid the doors of them with brass.
10 And he set the sea on the right side of the east end, over against the south.
11 And Huram made the pots, and the shovels, and the basons. And Huram finished the
work that he was to make for king Solomon for the house of God;**††
12 *To wit*, the two pillars, and the pommels, and the chapiters *which were* on the top of
the two pillars, and the two wreaths to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which *were*
on the top of the pillars;
13 And four hundred pomegranates on the two wreaths; two rows of pomegranates on
each wreath, to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which *were* upon the pillars.‡‡
14 He made also bases, and lavers made he upon the bases;§§

** **3:10** image...: or, (as some think) of moveable work †† **3:13** inward: or, toward the house ‡‡ **3:14** wrought: Heb. caused to ascend §§ **3:15** high: Heb. long *** **3:17** Jachin: that is, He shall establish ††† **3:17** Boaz: that is, In it is strength * **4:2** from...: Heb. from his brim to his brim † **4:5** with flowers...: or, like a lilyflower ‡ **4:6** such...: Heb. the work of burnt offering § **4:8** basons: or, bowls ** **4:11** basons: or, bowls †† **4:11** finished: Heb. finished to make ‡‡ **4:13** upon: Heb. upon the face of §§ **4:14** lavers: or, caldrons

15 One sea, and twelve oxen under it.
16 The pots also, and the shovels, and the fleshhooks, and all their instruments, did Huram his father make to king Solomon for the house of the LORD of bright brass.***
17 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and Zeredathah.†††
18 Thus Solomon made all these vessels in great abundance: for the weight of the brass could not be found out.
19 ¶ And Solomon made all the vessels that *were for* the house of God, the golden altar also, and the tables whereon the shewbread *was set;*
20 Moreover the candlesticks with their lamps, that they should burn after the manner before the oracle, of pure gold;
21 And the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs, *made he of* gold, *and* that perfect gold;‡‡‡
22 And the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the censers, *of* pure gold: and the entry of the house, the inner doors thereof for the most holy *place,* and the doors of the house of the temple, *were of* gold.§§§

5

1 Thus all the work that Solomon made for the house of the LORD was finished: and Solomon brought in *all* the things that David his father had dedicated; and the silver, and the gold, and all the instruments, put he among the treasures of the house of God.
2 ¶ Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which *is* Zion.
3 Wherefore all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto the king in the feast which *was* in the seventh month.
4 And all the elders of Israel came; and the Levites took up the ark.
5 And they brought up the ark, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the tabernacle, these did the priests *and* the Levites bring up.
6 Also king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel that were assembled unto him before the ark, sacrificed sheep and oxen, which could not be told nor numbered for multitude.
7 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, to the oracle of the house, into the most holy *place, even* under the wings of the cherubims:
8 For the cherubims spread forth *their* wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.
9 And they drew out the staves *of the ark,* that the ends of the staves were seen from the ark before the oracle; but they were not seen without. And there it is unto this day.*
10 *There was* nothing in the ark save the two tables which Moses put *therein* at Horeb, when the LORD made *a covenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out of Egypt.†
11 ¶ And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy *place:* (for all the priests *that were* present were sanctified, *and* did not *then* wait by course:‡
12 Also the Levites *which were* the singers, all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, *being* arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, and with them an hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets:)
13 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers *were* as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up *their* voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, *saying,* For *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever: that *then* the house was filled with a cloud, *even* the house of the LORD;
14 So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

6

1 Then said Solomon, The LORD hath said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.
2 But I have built an house of habitation for thee, and a place for thy dwelling for ever.
3 And the king turned his face, and blessed the whole congregation of Israel: and all the congregation of Israel stood.

*** **4:16** bright: Heb. made bright, or, scoured ††† **4:17** clay...: Heb. thicknesses of the ground ‡‡‡ **4:21** perfect...: Heb. perfections of gold §§§ **4:22** basons: or, bowls * **5:9** there...: or, they are there † **5:10** when the LORD: or, where, etc ‡ **5:11** present: Heb. found

4 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled *that*
which he spake with his mouth to my father David, saying,
5 Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the land of Egypt I chose no city
among all the tribes of Israel to build an house in, that my name might be there; neither
chose I any man to be a ruler over my people Israel:
6 But I have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there; and have chosen David to
be over my people Israel.
7 Now it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD
God of Israel.
8 But the LORD said to David my father, Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build an
house for my name, thou didst well in that it was in thine heart:
9 Notwithstanding thou shalt not build the house; but thy son which shall come forth out
of thy loins, he shall build the house for my name.
10 The LORD therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken: for I am risen up
in the room of David my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised,
and have built the house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.
11 And in it have I put the ark, wherein *is* the covenant of the LORD, that he made with
the children of Israel.
12 ¶ And he stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of
Israel, and spread forth his hands:
13 For Solomon had made a brasen scaffold, of five cubits long, and five cubits broad,
and three cubits high, and had set it in the midst of the court: and upon it he stood, and
kneeled down upon his knees before all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his
hands toward heaven,*
14 And said, O LORD God of Israel, *there is* no God like thee in the heaven, nor in the earth;
which keepest covenant, and *shewest* mercy unto thy servants, that walk before thee with
all their hearts:
15 Thou which hast kept with thy servant David my father that which thou hast promised
him; and spakest with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled *it* with thine hand, as *it is* this day.
16 Now therefore, O LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that which
thou hast promised him, saying, There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit upon the
throne of Israel; yet so that thy children take heed to their way to walk in my law, as thou
hast walked before me.†
17 Now then, O LORD God of Israel, let thy word be verified, which thou hast spoken unto
thy servant David.
18 But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? behold, heaven and the heaven
of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house which I have built!
19 Have respect therefore to the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD
my God, to hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee:
20 That thine eyes may be open upon this house day and night, upon the place whereof
thou hast said that thou wouldest put thy name there; to hearken unto the prayer which
thy servant prayeth toward this place.‡
21 Hearken therefore unto the supplications of thy servant, and of thy people Israel,
which they shall make toward this place: hear thou from thy dwelling place, *even* from
heaven; and when thou hearest, forgive.§**
22 ¶ If a man sin against his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him to make him swear,
and the oath come before thine altar in this house;††
23 Then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, by requiting the wicked,
by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by justifying the righteous, by giving
him according to his righteousness.
24 ¶ And if thy people Israel be put to the worse before the enemy, because they
have sinned against thee; and shall return and confess thy name, and pray and make
supplication before thee in this house;‡‡§§
25 Then hear thou from the heavens, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring
them again unto the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers.

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* **6:13** long...: Heb. the length thereof, etc † **6:16** There...: Heb. There shall not a man be cut off ‡ **6:20** toward...: or, in this place § **6:21** make: Heb. pray ** **6:21** toward...: or, in this place †† **6:22** and an oath...: Heb. and he require an oath of him ‡‡ **6:24** be put...: or, be smitten §§ **6:24** in: or, toward

26 ¶ When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against
thee; *yet* if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin,
when thou dost afflict them;***
27 Then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people
Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk; and send rain
upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.
28 ¶ If there be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting, or mildew,
locusts, or caterpillers; if their enemies besiege them in the cities of their land; whatsoever
sore or whatsoever sickness *there be:*†††
29 *Then* what prayer *or* what supplication soever shall be made of any man, or of all thy
people Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and shall spread
forth his hands in this house:‡‡‡§§§
30 Then hear thou from heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and render unto every
man according unto all his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou only knowest the
hearts of the children of men:)
31 That they may fear thee, to walk in thy ways, so long as they live in the land which thou
gavest unto our fathers.*†
32 ¶ Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people Israel, but is come from
a far country for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm; if
they come and pray in this house;‡
33 Then hear thou from the heavens, *even* from thy dwelling place, and do according to
all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name,
and fear thee, as *doth* thy people Israel, and may know that this house which I have built
is called by thy name.§
34 If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that thou shalt send them,
and they pray unto thee toward this city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I
have built for thy name;
35 Then hear thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication, and maintain
their cause.**
36 If they sin against thee, (for *there is* no man which sinneth not,) and thou be angry with
them, and deliver them over before *their* enemies, and they carry them away captives unto
a land far off or near;††
37 Yet *if* they bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and turn
and pray unto thee in the land of their captivity, saying, We have sinned, we have done
amiss, and have dealt wickedly;‡‡
38 If they return to thee with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their
captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray toward their land, which
thou gavest unto their fathers, and *toward* the city which thou hast chosen, and toward
the house which I have built for thy name:
39 Then hear thou from the heavens, *even* from thy dwelling place, their prayer and their
supplications, and maintain their cause, and forgive thy people which have sinned against
thee.§§
40 Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and *let* thine ears *be* attent unto
the prayer *that is made* in this place.***
41 Now therefore arise, O LORD God, into thy resting place, thou, and the ark of thy
strength: let thy priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, and let thy saints rejoice
in goodness.
42 O LORD God, turn not away the face of thine anointed: remember the mercies of David
thy servant.

7

1 Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and
consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.

*** **6:26** toward...: or, in this place ††† **6:28** in the cities...: Heb. in the land of their gates ‡‡‡ **6:29** in: or, toward §§§ **6:29** toward...: or, in this place * **6:31** so long...: Heb. all the days which † **6:31** in the land: Heb. upon the face of the land ‡ **6:32** toward...: or, in this place § **6:33** this...: Heb. thy name is called upon this house ** **6:35** cause: or, right †† **6:36** they carry them away captives: Heb. they that take them captives carry them away ‡‡ **6:37** bethink...: Heb. bring back to their heart §§ **6:39** cause: or, right *** **6:40** unto...: Heb. to the prayer of this place

2 And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the
LORD had filled the LORD's house.
3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the
LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the
pavement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD, *saying*, For *he is* good; for his mercy
endureth for ever.
4 ¶ Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the LORD.
5 And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and an hundred
and twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all the people dedicated the house of God.
6 And the priests waited on their offices: the Levites also with instruments of musick of
the LORD, which David the king had made to praise the LORD, because his mercy *endureth*
for ever, when David praised by their ministry; and the priests sounded trumpets before
them, and all Israel stood.*
7 Moreover Solomon hallowed the middle of the court that *was* before the house of the
LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings, because the
brasen altar which Solomon had made was not able to receive the burnt offerings, and the
meat offerings, and the fat.
8 ¶ Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a
very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt.
9 And in the eighth day they made a solemn assembly: for they kept the dedication of the
altar seven days, and the feast seven days.†
10 And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the people away into
their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the LORD had shewed unto David,
and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.
11 Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD, and the king's house: and all that
came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of the LORD, and in his own house, he
prosperously effected.
12 ¶ And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy
prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice.
13 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land,
or if I send pestilence among my people;
14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and
seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will
forgive their sin, and will heal their land.‡
15 Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer *that is made* in this
place.§
16 For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever:
and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.
17 And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do
according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my
judgments;
18 Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with
David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man *to be* ruler in Israel.**
19 But if ye turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments, which I have set
before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and worship them;
20 Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my land which I have given them; and
this house, which I have sanctified for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make
it *to be* a proverb and a byword among all nations.
21 And this house, which is high, shall be an astonishment to every one that passeth by
it; so that he shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and unto this house?
22 And it shall be answered, Because they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which
brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped
them, and served them: therefore hath he brought all this evil upon them.

8

1 And it came to pass at the end of twenty years, wherein Solomon had built the house of
the LORD, and his own house,

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* **7:6** by their...: Heb. by their hand † **7:9** a solemn...: Heb. a restraint ‡ **7:14** which...: Heb. upon whom my name is called § **7:15** unto...: Heb. to the prayer of this place ** **7:18** There...: Heb. There shall not be cut off to thee

2 That the cities which Huram had restored to Solomon, Solomon built them, and caused
the children of Israel to dwell there.
3 And Solomon went to Hamath-zobah, and prevailed against it.
4 And he built Tadmor in the wilderness, and all the store cities, which he built in Hamath.
5 Also he built Beth-horon the upper, and Beth-horon the nether, fenced cities, with walls,
gates, and bars;
6 And Baalath, and all the store cities that Solomon had, and all the chariot cities, and the
cities of the horsemen, and all that Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon,
and throughout all the land of his dominion.*
7 ¶ *As for* all the people *that were* left of the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites,
and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which *were* not of Israel,
8 *But* of their children, who were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel
consumed not, them did Solomon make to pay tribute until this day.
9 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no servants for his work; but they *were*
men of war, and chief of his captains, and captains of his chariots and horsemen.
10 And these *were* the chief of king Solomon's officers, *even* two hundred and fifty, that
bare rule over the people.
11 ¶ And Solomon brought up the daughter of Pharaoh out of the city of David unto the
house that he had built for her: for he said, My wife shall not dwell in the house of David
king of Israel, because *the places are* holy, whereunto the ark of the LORD hath come.†
12 ¶ Then Solomon offered burnt offerings unto the LORD on the altar of the LORD, which
he had built before the porch,
13 Even after a certain rate every day, offering according to the commandment of Moses,
on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts, three times in the
year, *even* in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of
tabernacles.
14 ¶ And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the courses of the priests
to their service, and the Levites to their charges, to praise and minister before the priests,
as the duty of every day required: the porters also by their courses at every gate: for so had
David the man of God commanded.‡
15 And they departed not from the commandment of the king unto the priests and Levites
concerning any matter, or concerning the treasures.
16 Now all the work of Solomon was prepared unto the day of the foundation of the house
of the LORD, and until it was finished. *So* the house of the LORD was perfected.
17 ¶ Then went Solomon to Ezion-geber, and to Eloth, at the sea side in the land of Edom.§
18 And Huram sent him by the hands of his servants ships, and servants that had
knowledge of the sea; and they went with the servants of Solomon to Ophir, and took
thence four hundred and fifty talents of gold, and brought *them* to king Solomon.

9

1 And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon
with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that bare spices,
and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she
communed with him of all that was in her heart.
2 And Solomon told her all her questions: and there was nothing hid from Solomon which
he told her not.
3 And when the queen of Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon, and the house that he
had built,
4 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his
ministers, and their apparel; his cupbearers also, and their apparel; and his ascent by
which he went up into the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.*
5 And she said to the king, *It was* a true report which I heard in mine own land of thine
acts, and of thy wisdom:†‡
6 Howbeit I believed not their words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it:* and, behold,
the one half of the greatness of thy wisdom was not told me: *for* thou exceedest the fame
that I heard.

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* **8:6** all that...: Heb. all the desire of Solomon which he desired to build † **8:11** holy: Heb. holiness ‡ **8:14** so had David...: Heb. so was the commandment of David the man of God § **8:17** Eloth: also called, Elath * **9:4** cupbearers: or, butlers † **9:5** report: Heb. word ‡ **9:5** acts: or, sayings

7 Happy *are* thy men, and happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before
thee, and hear thy wisdom.
8 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee to set thee on his throne, *to be* king
for the LORD thy God: because thy God loved Israel, to establish them for ever, therefore
made he thee king over them, to do judgment and justice.
9 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices great
abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the queen of Sheba
gave king Solomon.
10 And the servants also of Huram, and the servants of Solomon, which brought gold from
Ophir, brought algum trees and precious stones.§
11 And the king made *of* the algum trees terraces to the house of the LORD, and to the
king's palace, and harps and psalteries for singers: and there were none such seen before
in the land of Judah.**
12 And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked,
beside *that* which she had brought unto the king. So she turned, and went away to her
own land, she and her servants.
13 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred and
threescore and six talents of gold;
14 Beside *that which* chapmen and merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and
governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon.††
15 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets *of* beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of
beaten gold went to one target.
16 And three hundred shields *made he of* beaten gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went
to one shield. And the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.
17 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold.
18 And *there were* six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold, *which were* fastened to
the throne, and stays on each side of the sitting place, and two lions standing by the stays:‡‡
19 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps. There
was not the like made in any kingdom.
20 ¶ And all the drinking vessels of king Solomon *were of* gold, and all the vessels of the
house of the forest of Lebanon *were of* pure gold: none *were of* silver; it was *not* any thing
accounted of in the days of Solomon.§§***
21 For the king's ships went to Tarshish with the servants of Huram: every three years
once came the ships of Tarshish bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks.†††
22 And king Solomon passed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.
23 ¶ And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom,
that God had put in his heart.
24 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and
raiment, harness, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.
25 ¶ And Solomon had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand
horsemen; whom he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.
26 ¶ And he reigned over all the kings from the river even unto the land of the Philistines,
and to the border of Egypt.‡‡‡
27 And the king made silver in Jerusalem as stones, and cedar trees made he as the
sycomore trees that *are* in the low plains in abundance.§§§
28 And they brought unto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands.
29 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, *are* they not written in the book of
Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo
the seer against Jeroboam the son of Nebat?*
30 And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years.
31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city of David his father:
and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

10

1 And Rehoboam went to Shechem: for to Shechem were all Israel come to make him
king.

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§ **9:10** algum...: also called, almug trees ** **9:11** terraces: or, stairs: Heb. highways †† **9:14** governors: or, captains ‡‡ **9:18** stays: Heb. hands §§ **9:20** pure: Heb. shut up *** **9:20** none were of silver: or, there was no silver in them ††† **9:21** ivory: or, elephants' teeth ‡‡‡ **9:26** river: that is, Euphrates §§§ **9:27** made silver: Heb. gave silver * **9:29** book: Heb. words

2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who *was* in Egypt, whither he had fled from the presence of Solomon the king, heard *it*, that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt.
3 And they sent and called him. So Jeroboam and all Israel came and spake to Rehoboam, saying,
4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore ease thou somewhat the grievous servitude of thy father, and his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve thee.
5 And he said unto them, Come again unto me after three days. And the people departed.
6 ¶ And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, What counsel give ye *me* to return answer to this people?
7 And they spake unto him, saying, If thou be kind to this people, and please them, and speak good words to them, they will be thy servants for ever.
8 But he forsook the counsel which the old men gave him, and took counsel with the young men that were brought up with him, that stood before him.
9 And he said unto them, What advice give ye that we may return answer to this people, which have spoken to me, saying, Ease somewhat the yoke that thy father did put upon us?
10 And the young men that were brought up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou answer the people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou *it* somewhat lighter for us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.
11 For whereas my father put a heavy yoke upon you, I will put more to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I *will chastise you* with scorpions.*
12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king bade, saying, Come again to me on the third day.
13 And the king answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men,
14 And answered them after the advice of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I *will chastise you* with scorpions.
15 So the king hearkened not unto the people: for the cause was of God, that the LORD might perform his word, which he spake by the hand of Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat.
16 ¶ And when all Israel *saw* that the king would not hearken unto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? and *we have* none inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to your tents, O Israel: *and* now, David, see to thine own house. So all Israel went to their tents.
17 But *as for* the children of Israel that dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.
18 Then king Rehoboam sent Hadoram that *was* over the tribute; and the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. But king Rehoboam made speed to get him up to *his* chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.†
19 And Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.

11

1 And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he gathered of the house of Judah and Benjamin an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen *men*, which were warriors, to fight against Israel, that he might bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam.
2 But the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,
3 Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and to all Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saying,
4 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren: return every man to his house: for this thing is done of me. And they obeyed the words of the LORD, and returned from going against Jeroboam.
5 ¶ And Rehoboam dwelt in Jerusalem, and built cities for defence in Judah.
6 He built even Beth-lehem, and Etam, and Tekoa,
7 And Beth-zur, and Shoco, and Adullam,
8 And Gath, and Mareshah, and Ziph,
9 And Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah,
10 And Zorah, and Aijalon, and Hebron, which *are* in Judah and in Benjamin fenced cities.

* **10:11** my father put: Heb. my father laded † **10:18** made speed: Heb. strengthened himself

11 And he fortified the strong holds, and put captains in them, and store of victual, and
of oil and wine.
12 And in every several city *he put* shields and spears, and made them exceeding strong,
having Judah and Benjamin on his side.
13 ¶ And the priests and the Levites that *were* in all Israel resorted to him out of all their
coasts.*
14 For the Levites left their suburbs and their possession, and came to Judah and
Jerusalem: for Jeroboam and his sons had cast them off from executing the priest's office
unto the LORD:
15 And he ordained him priests for the high places, and for the devils, and for the calves
which he had made.
16 And after them out of all the tribes of Israel such as set their hearts to seek the LORD
God of Israel came to Jerusalem, to sacrifice unto the LORD God of their fathers.
17 So they strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam the son of Solomon
strong, three years: for three years they walked in the way of David and Solomon.
18 ¶ And Rehoboam took him Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son of David to wife,
and Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse;
19 Which bare him children; Jeush, and Shamariah, and Zaham.
20 And after her he took Maachah the daughter of Absalom; which bare him Abijah, and
Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.†
21 And Rehoboam loved Maachah the daughter of Absalom above all his wives and his
concubines: (for he took eighteen wives, and threescore concubines; and begat twenty and
eight sons, and threescore daughters.)
22 And Rehoboam made Abijah the son of Maachah the chief, *to be* ruler among his
brethren: for *he thought* to make him king.
23 And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his children throughout all the countries of
Judah and Benjamin, unto every fenced city: and he gave them victual in abundance. And
he desired many wives.‡

12

1 And it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom, and had strength-
ened himself, he forsook the law of the LORD, and all Israel with him.
2 And it came to pass, *that* in the fifth year of king Rehoboam Shishak king of Egypt came
up against Jerusalem, because they had transgressed against the LORD,
3 With twelve hundred chariots, and threescore thousand horsemen: and the people
were without number that came with him out of Egypt; the Lubims, the Sukkiims, and the
Ethiopians.
4 And he took the fenced cities which *pertained* to Judah, and came to Jerusalem.
5 ¶ Then came Shemaiah the prophet to Rehoboam, and *to* the princes of Judah, that
were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak, and said unto them, Thus saith
the LORD, Ye have forsaken me, and therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak.
6 Whereupon the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves; and they said, The
LORD *is* righteous.
7 And when the LORD saw that they humbled themselves, the word of the LORD came to
Shemaiah, saying, They have humbled themselves; *therefore* I will not destroy them, but I
will grant them some deliverance; and my wrath shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem
by the hand of Shishak.*
8 Nevertheless they shall be his servants; that they may know my service, and the service
of the kingdoms of the countries.
9 So Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, and took away the treasures of the
house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he took all: he carried away also
the shields of gold which Solomon had made.
10 Instead of which king Rehoboam made shields of brass, and committed *them* to the
hands of the chief of the guard, that kept the entrance of the king's house.
11 And when the king entered into the house of the LORD, the guard came and fetched
them, and brought them again into the guard chamber.
12 And when he humbled himself, the wrath of the LORD turned from him, that he would
not destroy *him* altogether: and also in Judah things went well.†

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* **11:13** resorted...: Heb. presented themselves to him † **11:20** Maachah: she is also called Michaiah the daughter of Uriel ‡ **11:23** many wives: Heb. a multitude of wives * **12:7** some: or, a little while † **12:12** and also...: or, and yet in Judah there were good things

13 ¶ So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned: for Rehoboam
was one and forty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in
Jerusalem, the city which the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his
name there. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess.
14 And he did evil, because he prepared not his heart to seek the LORD.‡
15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, *are* they not written in the book of Shemaiah
the prophet, and of Iddo the seer concerning genealogies? And *there were* wars between
Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.§
16 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David: and Abijah
his son reigned in his stead.**

13

1 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah.
2 He reigned three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Michaiah the
daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.
3 And Abijah set the battle in array with an army of valiant men of war, *even* four
hundred thousand chosen men: Jeroboam also set the battle in array against him with
eight hundred thousand chosen men, *being* mighty men of valour.*
4 ¶ And Abijah stood up upon mount Zemaraim, which *is* in mount Ephraim, and said,
Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel;
5 Ought ye not to know that the LORD God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David
for ever, *even* to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt?
6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, is risen up, and
hath rebelled against his lord.
7 And there are gathered unto him vain men, the children of Belial, and have strength-
ened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and
tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.
8 And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand of the sons of
David; and ye *be* a great multitude, and *there are* with you golden calves, which Jeroboam
made you for gods.
9 Have ye not cast out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and
have made you priests after the manner of the nations of *other* lands? so that whosoever
cometh to consecrate himself with a young bullock and seven rams, *the same* may be a
priest of *them that are* no gods.†
10 But as for us, the LORD *is* our God, and we have not forsaken him; and the priests,
which minister unto the LORD, *are* the sons of Aaron, and the Levites *wait* upon *their*
business:
11 And they burn unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices
and sweet incense: the shewbread also *set they in order* upon the pure table; and the
candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, to burn every evening: for we keep the charge
of the LORD our God; but ye have forsaken him.
12 And, behold, God himself *is* with us for *our* captain, and his priests with sounding
trumpets to cry alarm against you. O children of Israel, fight ye not against the LORD God
of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper.
13 ¶ But Jeroboam caused an ambushment to come about behind them: so they were
before Judah, and the ambushment *was* behind them.
14 And when Judah looked back, behold, the battle *was* before and behind: and they cried
unto the LORD, and the priests sounded with the trumpets.
15 Then the men of Judah gave a shout: and as the men of Judah shouted, it came to pass,
that God smote Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah.
16 And the children of Israel fled before Judah: and God delivered them into their hand.
17 And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain
of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.
18 Thus the children of Israel were brought under at that time, and the children of Judah
prevailed, because they relied upon the LORD God of their fathers.
19 And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him, Beth-el with the towns
thereof, and Jeshanah with the towns thereof, and Ephrain with the towns thereof.

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‡ **12:14** prepared: or, fixed § **12:15** book: Heb. words ** **12:16** Abijah: also called, Abijam * **13:3** Abijah set: Heb. Abijah bound together † **13:9** to consecrate...: Heb. to fill his hand

20 Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah: and the LORD
struck him, and he died.
21 ¶ But Abijah waxed mighty, and married fourteen wives, and begat twenty and two
sons, and sixteen daughters.
22 And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his sayings, *are* written in the story
of the prophet Iddo.

14

1 So Abijah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his
son reigned in his stead. In his days the land was quiet ten years.
2 And Asa did *that which was* good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God:
3 For he took away the altars of the strange *gods*, and the high places, and brake down
the images, and cut down the groves:*
4 And commanded Judah to seek the LORD God of their fathers, and to do the law and the
commandment.
5 Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the images: and the
kingdom was quiet before him.†
6 ¶ And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the land had rest, and he had no war in those
years; because the LORD had given him rest.
7 Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about *them* walls, and
towers, gates, and bars, *while* the land *is* yet before us; because we have sought the LORD
our God, we have sought *him*, and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and
prospered.
8 And Asa had an army *of men* that bare targets and spears, out of Judah three hundred
thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields and drew bows, two hundred and
fourscore thousand: all these *were* mighty men of valour.
9 ¶ And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand
thousand, and three hundred chariots; and came unto Mareshah.
10 Then Asa went out against him, and they set the battle in array in the valley of
Zephathah at Mareshah.
11 And Asa cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD, *it is* nothing with thee to help,
whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we
rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou *art* our God; let
not man prevail against thee.‡
12 So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians
fled.
13 And Asa and the people that *were* with him pursued them unto Gerar: and the
Ethiopians were overthrown, that they could not recover themselves; for they were
destroyed before the LORD, and before his host; and they carried away very much spoil.§
14 And they smote all the cities round about Gerar; for the fear of the LORD came upon
them: and they spoiled all the cities; for there was exceeding much spoil in them.
15 They smote also the tents of cattle, and carried away sheep and camels in abundance,
and returned to Jerusalem.

15

1 And the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded:
2 And he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and
Benjamin; The LORD *is* with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found
of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.*
3 Now for a long season Israel *hath been* without the true God, and without a teaching
priest, and without law.
4 But when they in their trouble did turn unto the LORD God of Israel, and sought him,
he was found of them.
5 And in those times *there was* no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in,
but great vexations *were* upon all the inhabitants of the countries.
6 And nation was destroyed of nation, and city of city: for God did vex them with all
adversity.†

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* **14:3** images: Heb. statues † **14:5** images: Heb. sun images ‡ **14:11** man: or, mortal man § **14:13** destroyed: Heb. broken * **15:2** to meet...: Heb. before Asa † **15:6** destroyed: Heb. beaten in pieces

7 Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be
rewarded.
8 And when Asa heard these words, and the prophecy of Oded the prophet, he took
courage, and put away the abominable idols out of all the land of Judah and Benjamin,
and out of the cities which he had taken from mount Ephraim, and renewed the altar of
the LORD, that *was* before the porch of the LORD.‡
9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and the strangers with them out of Ephraim
and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when
they saw that the LORD his God *was* with him.
10 So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third month, in the fifteenth
year of the reign of Asa.
11 And they offered unto the LORD the same time, of the spoil *which* they had brought,
seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep.§
12 And they entered into a covenant to seek the LORD God of their fathers with all their
heart and with all their soul;
13 That whosoever would not seek the LORD God of Israel should be put to death, whether
small or great, whether man or woman.
14 And they sware unto the LORD with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with
trumpets, and with cornets.
15 And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought
him with their whole desire; and he was found of them: and the LORD gave them rest
round about.
16 ¶ And also *concerning* Maachah the mother of Asa the king, he removed her from *being*
queen, because she had made an idol in a grove: and Asa cut down her idol, and stamped
it, and burnt *it* at the brook Kidron.**††
17 But the high places were not taken away out of Israel: nevertheless the heart of Asa
was perfect all his days.
18 ¶ And he brought into the house of God the things that his father had dedicated, and
that he himself had dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels.
19 And there was no *more* war unto the five and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa.

16

1 In the six and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa Baasha king of Israel came up against
Judah, and built Ramah, to the intent that he might let none go out or come in to Asa king
of Judah.
2 Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the treasures of the house of the LORD and
of the king's house, and sent to Ben-hadad king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying,*
3 *There is* a league between me and thee, as *there was* between my father and thy father:
behold, I have sent thee silver and gold; go, break thy league with Baasha king of Israel,
that he may depart from me.
4 And Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of his armies against
the cities of Israel; and they smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the store cities of
Naphtali.†
5 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard *it*, that he left off building of Ramah, and let
his work cease.
6 Then Asa the king took all Judah; and they carried away the stones of Ramah, and the
timber thereof, wherewith Baasha was building; and he built therewith Geba and Mizpah.
7 ¶ And at that time Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah, and said unto him,
Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not relied on the LORD thy God, therefore
is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of thine hand.
8 Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubims a huge host, with very many chariots and
horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on the LORD, he delivered them into thine hand.‡
9 For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself
strong in the behalf of *them* whose heart *is* perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done
foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.§
10 Then Asa was wroth with the seer, and put him in a prison house; for *he was* in a rage
with him because of this *thing*. And Asa oppressed *some* of the people the same time.**

‡ **15:8** abominable...: Heb. abominations § **15:11** the same...: Heb. in that day ** **15:16** mother: that is, grandmother †† **15:16** idol: Heb. horror * **16:2** Damascus: Heb. Darmesek † **16:4** his: Heb. which were his ‡ **16:8** a huge: Heb. in abundance § **16:9** to shew...: or, strongly to hold with them, etc ** **16:10** oppressed: Heb. crushed

11 ¶ And, behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they *are* written in the book of the kings
of Judah and Israel.
12 And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his
disease *was* exceeding *great:* yet in his disease he sought not to the LORD, but to the
physicians.
13 ¶ And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.
14 And they buried him in his own sepulchres, which he had made for himself in the city
of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odours and divers kinds *of*
spices prepared by the apothecaries' art: and they made a very great burning for him.††

17

1 And Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and strengthened himself against Israel.
2 And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Judah, and set garrisons in the land of
Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken.
3 And the LORD was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways of his father
David, and sought not unto Baalim;*
4 But sought to the *LORD* God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not
after the doings of Israel.
5 Therefore the LORD stablished the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah brought to
Jehoshaphat presents; and he had riches and honour in abundance.†
6 And his heart was lifted up in the ways of the LORD: moreover he took away the high
places and groves out of Judah.‡
7 ¶ Also in the third year of his reign he sent to his princes, *even* to Ben-hail, and to
Obadiah, and to Zechariah, and to Nethaneel, and to Michaiah, to teach in the cities of
Judah.
8 And with them *he sent* Levites, *even* Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and
Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan, and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah,
Levites; and with them Elishama and Jehoram, priests.
9 And they taught in Judah, and *had* the book of the law of the LORD with them, and went
about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught the people.
10 ¶ And the fear of the LORD fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that *were* round
about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat.§
11 Also *some* of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and tribute silver; and
the Arabians brought him flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven
thousand and seven hundred he goats.
12 ¶ And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly; and he built in Judah castles, and cities
of store.**
13 And he had much business in the cities of Judah: and the men of war, mighty men of
valour, *were* in Jerusalem.
14 And these *are* the numbers of them according to the house of their fathers: Of Judah,
the captains of thousands; Adnah the chief, and with him mighty men of valour three
hundred thousand.
15 And next to him *was* Jehohanan the captain, and with him two hundred and fourscore
thousand.††
16 And next him *was* Amasiah the son of Zichri, who willingly offered himself unto the
LORD; and with him two hundred thousand mighty men of valour.
17 And of Benjamin; Eliada a mighty man of valour, and with him armed men with bow
and shield two hundred thousand.
18 And next him *was* Jehozabad, and with him an hundred and fourscore thousand ready
prepared for the war.
19 These waited on the king, beside *those* whom the king put in the fenced cities
throughout all Judah.

18

1 Now Jehoshaphat had riches and honour in abundance, and joined affinity with Ahab.
2 And after *certain* years he went down to Ahab to Samaria. And Ahab killed sheep and
oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that *he had* with him, and persuaded him
to go up *with him* to Ramoth-gilead.*

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†† **16:14** had made: Heb. had digged * **17:3** of...: or, of his father, and of David † **17:5** brought: Heb. gave ‡ **17:6** was...: that is, was encouraged § **17:10** fell: Heb. was ** **17:12** castles: or, palaces †† **17:15** next...: Heb. at his hand * **18:2** after...: Heb. at the end of years

3 And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, Wilt thou go with me to
Ramoth-gilead? And he answered him, I *am* as thou *art*, and my people as thy people; and
we will be with thee in the war.
4 ¶ And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the
LORD to day.
5 Therefore the king of Israel gathered together of prophets four hundred men, and said
unto them, Shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up;
for God will deliver *it* into the king's hand.
6 But Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD besides, that we might
enquire of him?†
7 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, *There is* yet one man, by whom we may
enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he never prophesied good unto me, but always
evil: the same *is* Micaiah the son of Imla. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.
8 And the king of Israel called for one *of his* officers, and said, Fetch quickly Micaiah the
son of Imla.‡§
9 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of Judah sat either of them on his throne,
clothed in *their* robes, and they sat in a void place at the entering in of the gate of Samaria;
and all the prophets prophesied before them.**
10 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah had made him horns of iron, and said, Thus saith
the LORD, With these thou shalt push Syria until they be consumed.††
11 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for
the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.
12 And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spake to him, saying, Behold, the words
of the prophets *declare* good to the king with one assent; let thy word therefore, I pray thee,
be like one of theirs, and speak thou good.‡‡
13 And Micaiah said, *As* the LORD liveth, even what my God saith, that will I speak.
14 And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to
Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And he said, Go ye up, and prosper, and they
shall be delivered into your hand.
15 And the king said to him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou say nothing but
the truth to me in the name of the LORD?
16 Then he said, I did see all Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no
shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master; let them return *therefore* every man
to his house in peace.
17 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee *that* he would not prophesy
good unto me, but evil?§§
18 Again he said, Therefore hear the word of the LORD; I saw the LORD sitting upon his
throne, and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and *on* his left.
19 And the LORD said, Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he may go up and fall
at Ramoth-gilead? And one spake saying after this manner, and another saying after that
manner.
20 Then there came out a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will entice him.
And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith?
21 And he said, I will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And *the*
LORD said, Thou shalt entice *him*, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do *even* so.
22 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of these thy
prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against thee.
23 Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah upon the cheek,
and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?
24 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see on that day when thou shalt go into an inner
chamber to hide thyself.***
25 Then the king of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him back to Amon the governor
of the city, and to Joash the king's son;
26 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of
affliction and with water of affliction, until I return in peace.
27 And Micaiah said, If thou certainly return in peace, *then* hath not the LORD spoken by
me. And he said, Hearken, all ye people.

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† **18:6** besides: Heb. yet, or, more ‡ **18:8** officers: or, eunuchs § **18:8** Fetch...: Heb. Hasten ** **18:9** void...: or, floor †† **18:10** they...: Heb. thou consume them ‡‡ **18:12** with...: Heb. with one mouth §§ **18:17** but evil: or, but for evil *** **18:24** into...: or, from chamber to chamber: Heb. a chamber in a chamber

28 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.
29 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and will go to the
battle; but put thou on thy robes. So the king of Israel disguised himself; and they went to
the battle.
30 Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that *were* with him,
saying, Fight ye not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel.
31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said,
It *is* the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried
out, and the LORD helped him; and God moved them *to depart* from him.
32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not
the king of Israel, they turned back again from pursuing him.†††
33 And a *certain* man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between
the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou
mayest carry me out of the host; for I am wounded.‡‡‡§§§*
34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed *himself* up in *his*
chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down he
died.

19

1 And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace to Jerusalem.
2 And Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat,
Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love them that hate the LORD? therefore *is* wrath
upon thee from before the LORD.
3 Nevertheless there are good things found in thee, in that thou hast taken away the
groves out of the land, and hast prepared thine heart to seek God.
4 And Jehoshaphat dwelt at Jerusalem: and he went out again through the people from
Beer-sheba to mount Ephraim, and brought them back unto the LORD God of their fathers.*
5 ¶ And he set judges in the land throughout all the fenced cities of Judah, city by city,
6 And said to the judges, Take heed what ye do: for ye judge not for man, but for the LORD,
who *is* with you in the judgment.†
7 Wherefore now let the fear of the LORD be upon you; take heed and do *it:* for *there is*
no iniquity with the LORD our God, nor respect of persons, nor taking of gifts.
8 ¶ Moreover in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat set of the Levites, and *of* the priests, and of
the chief of the fathers of Israel, for the judgment of the LORD, and for controversies, when
they returned to Jerusalem.
9 And he charged them, saying, Thus shall ye do in the fear of the LORD, faithfully, and
with a perfect heart.
10 And what cause soever shall come to you of your brethren that dwell in their cities,
between blood and blood, between law and commandment, statutes and judgments, ye
shall even warn them that they trespass not against the LORD, and *so* wrath come upon
you, and upon your brethren: this do, and ye shall not trespass.
11 And, behold, Amariah the chief priest *is* over you in all matters of the LORD; and
Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house of Judah, for all the king's matters: also
the Levites *shall be* officers before you. Deal courageously, and the LORD shall be with the
good.‡

20

1 It came to pass after this also, *that* the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon,
and with them *other* beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle.
2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude
against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they *be* in Hazazon-tamar,
which *is* En-gedi.
3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast
throughout all Judah.*
4 And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask *help* of the LORD: even out of all the
cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD.

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††† **18:32** from...: Heb. from after him ‡‡‡ **18:33** at a venture: Heb. in his simplicity §§§ **18:33** between...: Heb. between the joints and between the breastplate * **18:33** wounded: Heb. made sick * **19:4** he went...: Heb. he returned and went out † **19:6** in...: Heb. in the matter of judgment ‡ **19:11** Deal...: Heb. Take courage and do * **20:3** himself: Heb. his face

5 ¶ And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of
the LORD, before the new court,
6 And said, O LORD God of our fathers, *art* not thou God in heaven? and rulest *not* thou
over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand *is there not* power and might, so
that none is able to withstand thee?
7 *Art* not thou our God, *who* didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people
Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for ever?†
8 And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying,
9 If, *when* evil cometh upon us, *as* the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand
before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name *is* in this house,) and cry unto thee in
our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.
10 And now, behold, the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom thou
wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned
from them, and destroyed them not;
11 Behold, *I say, how* they reward us, to come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou
hast given us to inherit.
12 O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company
that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes *are* upon thee.
13 And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their
children.
14 ¶ Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son
of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the
congregation;
15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king
Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this
great multitude; for the battle *is* not yours, but God's.
16 To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz; and ye
shall find them at the end of the brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.‡§
17 Ye shall not *need* to fight in this *battle:* set yourselves, stand ye *still*, and see the
salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to
morrow go out against them: for the LORD *will be* with you.
18 And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with *his* face to the ground: and all Judah and the
inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD.
19 And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites,
stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high.
20 ¶ And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and
as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of
Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets,
so shall ye prosper.
21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and
that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say,
Praise the LORD; for his mercy *endureth* for ever.**
22 ¶ And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the
children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were
smitten.††‡‡§§
23 For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir,
utterly to slay and destroy *them:* and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir,
every one helped to destroy another.***
24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the
multitude, and, behold, they *were* dead bodies fallen to the earth, and none escaped.†††
25 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found
among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which
they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three
days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.

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† **20:7** who: Heb. thou ‡ **20:16** cliff: Heb. ascent § **20:16** brook: or, valley ** **20:21** that...: Heb. praisers †† **20:22** And when...: Heb. And in the time that they, etc ‡‡ **20:22** to sing...: Heb. in singing and praise §§ **20:22** they were...: or, they smote one another *** **20:23** to destroy: Heb. for the destruction ††† **20:24** none...: Heb. there was not an escaping

26 ¶ And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of Berachah; for there
they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of
Berachah, unto this day.‡‡‡
27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the
forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for the LORD had made them to rejoice
over their enemies.§§§
28 And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of
the LORD.
29 And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of *those* countries, when they had heard
that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel.
30 So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gave him rest round about.
31 ¶ And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: *he was* thirty and five years old when he began
to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was*
Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.
32 And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not from it, doing *that which*
was right in the sight of the LORD.
33 Howbeit the high places were not taken away: for as yet the people had not prepared
their hearts unto the God of their fathers.
34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the
book of Jehu the son of Hanani, who *is* mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.*†
35 ¶ And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel,
who did very wickedly:
36 And he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the
ships in Ezion-geber.
37 Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying,
Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah, the LORD hath broken thy works. And the
ships were broken, that they were not able to go to Tarshish.

21

1 Now Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of
David. And Jehoram his son reigned in his stead.
2 And he had brethren the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and
Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these *were* the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel.
3 And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with
fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram; because he *was* the firstborn.
4 Now when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he strengthened himself,
and slew all his brethren with the sword, and *divers* also of the princes of Israel.
5 ¶ Jehoram *was* thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eight
years in Jerusalem.
6 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had
the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD.
7 Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that
he had made with David, and as he promised to give a light to him and to his sons for ever.*
8 ¶ In his days the Edomites revolted from under the dominion of Judah, and made
themselves a king.†
9 Then Jehoram went forth with his princes, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up
by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him in, and the captains of the chariots.
10 So the Edomites revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. The same time
also did Libnah revolt from under his hand; because he had forsaken the LORD God of his
fathers.
11 Moreover he made high places in the mountains of Judah, and caused the inhabitants
of Jerusalem to commit fornication, and compelled Judah *thereto*.
12 ¶ And there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus saith the
LORD God of David thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat
thy father, nor in the ways of Asa king of Judah,
13 But hast walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Judah and the
inhabitants of Jerusalem to go a whoring, like to the whoredoms of the house of Ahab, and
also hast slain thy brethren of thy father's house, *which were* better than thyself:

‡‡‡ **20:26** Berachah: that is, blessing §§§ **20:27** forefront: Heb. head * **20:34** book of Jehu: Heb. words, etc
† **20:34** is mentioned: Heb. was made to ascend * **21:7** light: Heb. lamp, or, candle † **21:8** dominion: Heb. hand

14 Behold, with a great plague will the LORD smite thy people, and thy children, and thy
wives, and all thy goods:‡
15 And thou *shalt have* great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out
by reason of the sickness day by day.
16 ¶ Moreover the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the Philistines, and of
the Arabians, that *were* near the Ethiopians:
17 And they came up into Judah, and brake into it, and carried away all the substance that
was found in the king's house, and his sons also, and his wives; so that there was never a
son left him, save Jehoahaz, the youngest of his sons.§**
18 ¶ And after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease.
19 And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell
out by reason of his sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning
for him, like the burning of his fathers.
20 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem
eight years, and departed without being desired. Howbeit they buried him in the city of
David, but not in the sepulchres of the kings.††

22

1 And the inhabitants of Jerusalem made Ahaziah his youngest son king in his stead:
for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the camp had slain all the eldest. So
Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah reigned.
2 Forty and two years old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reign, and he reigned one year
in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Athaliah the daughter of Omri.
3 He also walked in the ways of the house of Ahab: for his mother was his counsellor to
do wickedly.
4 Wherefore he did evil in the sight of the LORD like the house of Ahab: for they were his
counsellors after the death of his father to his destruction.
5 ¶ He walked also after their counsel, and went with Jehoram the son of Ahab king of
Israel to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians smote Joram.
6 And he returned to be healed in Jezreel because of the wounds which were given him
at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria. And Azariah the son of Jehoram king
of Judah went down to see Jehoram the son of Ahab at Jezreel, because he was sick.*†
7 And the destruction of Ahaziah was of God by coming to Joram: for when he was come,
he went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimshi, whom the LORD had anointed
to cut off the house of Ahab.‡
8 And it came to pass, that, when Jehu was executing judgment upon the house of Ahab,
and found the princes of Judah, and the sons of the brethren of Ahaziah, that ministered
to Ahaziah, he slew them.
9 And he sought Ahaziah: and they caught him, (for he was hid in Samaria,) and brought
him to Jehu: and when they had slain him, they buried him: Because, said they, he *is* the
son of Jehoshaphat, who sought the LORD with all his heart. So the house of Ahaziah had
no power to keep still the kingdom.
10 ¶ But when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and
destroyed all the seed royal of the house of Judah.
11 But Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and
stole him from among the king's sons that were slain, and put him and his nurse in a
bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, the daughter of king Jehoram, the wife of Jehoiada the
priest, (for she was the sister of Ahaziah,) hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew him not.§
12 And he was with them hid in the house of God six years: and Athaliah reigned over the
land.

23

1 And in the seventh year Jehoiada strengthened himself, and took the captains of
hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the son of Jehohanan, and Azariah
the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of Zichri, into
covenant with him.

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‡ **21:14** a great...: Heb. a great stroke § **21:17** carried...: Heb. carried captive ** **21:17** Jehoahaz: also called, Ahaziah, or, Azariah †† **21:20** without...: Heb. without desire * **22:6** which...: Heb. wherewith they wounded him † **22:6** Azariah: also called, Ahaziah, or, Jehoahaz ‡ **22:7** destruction: Heb. treading down § **22:11** Jehoshabeath: also called, Jehosheba

2 And they went about in Judah, and gathered the Levites out of all the cities of Judah,
and the chief of the fathers of Israel, and they came to Jerusalem.
3 And all the congregation made a covenant with the king in the house of God. And he said
unto them, Behold, the king's son shall reign, as the LORD hath said of the sons of David.
4 This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you entering on the sabbath, of the
priests and of the Levites, *shall be* porters of the doors;*
5 And a third part *shall be* at the king's house; and a third part at the gate of the
foundation: and all the people *shall be* in the courts of the house of the LORD.
6 But let none come into the house of the LORD, save the priests, and they that minister
of the Levites; they shall go in, for they *are* holy: but all the people shall keep the watch of
the LORD.
7 And the Levites shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his
hand; and whosoever *else* cometh into the house, he shall be put to death: but be ye with
the king when he cometh in, and when he goeth out.
8 So the Levites and all Judah did according to all things that Jehoiada the priest had
commanded, and took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them
that were to go *out* on the sabbath: for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not the courses.
9 Moreover Jehoiada the priest delivered to the captains of hundreds spears, and
bucklers, and shields, that *had been* king David's, which *were* in the house of God.
10 And he set all the people, every man having his weapon in his hand, from the right side
of the temple to the left side of the temple, along by the altar and the temple, by the king
round about.†‡
11 Then they brought out the king's son, and put upon him the crown, and *gave him* the
testimony, and made him king. And Jehoiada and his sons anointed him, and said, God
save the king.§
12 ¶ Now when Athaliah heard the noise of the people running and praising the king, she
came to the people into the house of the LORD:
13 And she looked, and, behold, the king stood at his pillar at the entering in, and the
princes and the trumpets by the king: and all the people of the land rejoiced, and sounded
with trumpets, also the singers with instruments of musick, and such as taught to sing
praise. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, Treason, Treason.**
14 Then Jehoiada the priest brought out the captains of hundreds that were set over the
host, and said unto them, Have her forth of the ranges: and whoso followeth her, let him
be slain with the sword. For the priest said, Slay her not in the house of the LORD.
15 So they laid hands on her; and when she was come to the entering of the horse gate by
the king's house, they slew her there.
16 ¶ And Jehoiada made a covenant between him, and between all the people, and
between the king, that they should be the LORD's people.
17 Then all the people went to the house of Baal, and brake it down, and brake his altars
and his images in pieces, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars.
18 Also Jehoiada appointed the offices of the house of the LORD by the hand of the priests
the Levites, whom David had distributed in the house of the LORD, to offer the burnt
offerings of the LORD, as *it is* written in the law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing,
as it was ordained by David.††
19 And he set the porters at the gates of the house of the LORD, that none *which was*
unclean in any thing should enter in.
20 And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the governors of the people,
and all the people of the land, and brought down the king from the house of the LORD: and
they came through the high gate into the king's house, and set the king upon the throne of
the kingdom.
21 And all the people of the land rejoiced: and the city was quiet, after that they had slain
Athaliah with the sword.

24

1 Joash *was* seven years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in
Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Zibiah of Beer-sheba.
2 And Joash did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the
priest.

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* **23:4** doors: Heb. thresholds † **23:10** side: Heb. shoulder ‡ **23:10** temple: Heb. house § **23:11** God...: Heb. Let the king live ** **23:13** Treason: Heb. Conspiracy †† **23:18** as it was...: Heb. by the hands of David

3 And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begat sons and daughters.

4 ¶ And it came to pass after this, *that* Joash was minded to repair the house of the LORD.*
5 And he gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to them, Go out unto the
cities of Judah, and gather of all Israel money to repair the house of your God from year to
year, and see that ye hasten the matter. Howbeit the Levites hastened *it* not.
6 And the king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him, Why hast thou not
required of the Levites to bring in out of Judah and out of Jerusalem the collection,
according to the commandment of Moses the servant of the LORD, and of the congregation
of Israel, for the tabernacle of witness?
7 For the sons of Athaliah, that wicked woman, had broken up the house of God; and also
all the dedicated things of the house of the LORD did they bestow upon Baalim.
8 And at the king's commandment they made a chest, and set it without at the gate of the
house of the LORD.
9 And they made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in to the LORD
the collection *that* Moses the servant of God *laid* upon Israel in the wilderness.†
10 And all the princes and all the people rejoiced, and brought in, and cast into the chest,
until they had made an end.
11 Now it came to pass, that at what time the chest was brought unto the king's office by
the hand of the Levites, and when they saw that *there was* much money, the king's scribe
and the high priest's officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to his
place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.
12 And the king and Jehoiada gave it to such as did the work of the service of the house
of the LORD, and hired masons and carpenters to repair the house of the LORD, and also
such as wrought iron and brass to mend the house of the LORD.
13 So the workmen wrought, and the work was perfected by them, and they set the house
of God in his state, and strengthened it.‡
14 And when they had finished *it*, they brought the rest of the money before the king and
Jehoiada, whereof were made vessels for the house of the LORD, *even* vessels to minister,
and to offer *withal*, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt
offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the days of Jehoiada.§
15 ¶ But Jehoiada waxed old, and was full of days when he died; an hundred and thirty
years old *was he* when he died.
16 And they buried him in the city of David among the kings, because he had done good
in Israel, both toward God, and toward his house.
17 Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the
king. Then the king hearkened unto them.
18 And they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers, and served groves and idols:
and wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this their trespass.
19 Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD; and they testified
against them: but they would not give ear.
20 And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which
stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the
commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD,
he hath also forsaken you.**
21 And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at the commandment of
the king in the court of the house of the LORD.
22 Thus Joash the king remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done
to him, but slew his son. And when he died, he said, The LORD look upon *it*, and require *it*.
23 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of the year, *that* the host of Syria came up against him:
and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from
among the people, and sent all the spoil of them unto the king of Damascus.††‡‡
24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the LORD
delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the LORD God of
their fathers. So they executed judgment against Joash.
25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own
servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew

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* **24:4** to repair: Heb. to renew † **24:9** a proclamation: Heb. a voice ‡ **24:13** the work...: Heb. the healing went up upon the work § **24:14** to offer...: or, pestils ** **24:20** came...: Heb. clothed †† **24:23** at the...: Heb. in the revolution of the year ‡‡ **24:23** Damascus: Heb. Darmesek

him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him
not in the sepulchres of the kings.
26 And these are they that conspired against him; Zabad the son of Shimeath an
Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess.§§***
27 ¶ Now *concerning* his sons, and the greatness of the burdens *laid* upon him, and the
repairing of the house of God, behold, they *are* written in the story of the book of the kings.
And Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.†††‡‡‡

25

1 Amaziah *was* twenty and five years old *when* he began to reign, and he reigned twenty
and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.
2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, but not with a perfect heart.
3 ¶ Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was established to him, that he slew his
servants that had killed the king his father.*
4 But he slew not their children, but *did* as *it is* written in the law in the book of Moses,
where the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not die for the children, neither
shall the children die for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin.
5 ¶ Moreover Amaziah gathered Judah together, and made them captains over thou-
sands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of *their* fathers, throughout
all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them from twenty years old and above, and
found them three hundred thousand choice *men, able* to go forth to war, that could handle
spear and shield.
6 He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of Israel for an hundred
talents of silver.
7 But there came a man of God to him, saying, O king, let not the army of Israel go with
thee; for the LORD *is* not with Israel, *to wit, with* all the children of Ephraim.
8 But if thou wilt go, do *it*, be strong for the battle: God shall make thee fall before the
enemy: for God hath power to help, and to cast down.
9 And Amaziah said to the man of God, But what shall we do for the hundred talents
which I have given to the army of Israel? And the man of God answered, The LORD is able
to give thee much more than this.†
10 Then Amaziah separated them, *to wit*, the army that was come to him out of Ephraim,
to go home again: wherefore their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they
returned home in great anger.‡§
11 ¶ And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his people, and went to the valley
of salt, and smote of the children of Seir ten thousand.
12 And *other* ten thousand *left* alive did the children of Judah carry away captive, and
brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, that
they all were broken in pieces.
13 ¶ But the soldiers of the army which Amaziah sent back, that they should not go with
him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Beth-horon, and smote
three thousand of them, and took much spoil.**
14 ¶ Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites,
that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up *to be* his gods, and bowed
down himself before them, and burned incense unto them.
15 Wherefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and he sent unto him
a prophet, which said unto him, Why hast thou sought after the gods of the people, which
could not deliver their own people out of thine hand?
16 And it came to pass, as he talked with him, that *the king* said unto him, Art thou made
of the king's counsel? forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare,
and said, I know that God hath determined to destroy thee, because thou hast done this,
and hast not hearkened unto my counsel.††
17 ¶ Then Amaziah king of Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, the
son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us see one another in the face.

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§§ **24:26** Zabad: or, Jozacher *** **24:26** Shimrith: or, Shomer ††† **24:27** repairing: Heb. founding ‡‡‡ **24:27** story: or, commentary * **25:3** established...: Heb. confirmed upon him † **25:9** army: Heb. band ‡ **25:10** home again: Heb. to their place § **25:10** in great...: Heb. in heat of anger ** **25:13** the soldiers...: Heb. the sons of the band †† **25:16** determined: Heb. counselled

18 And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle that *was* in
Lebanon sent to the cedar that *was* in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife:
and there passed by a wild beast that *was* in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.‡‡§§
19 Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites; and thine heart lifteth thee up to
boast: abide now at home; why shouldest thou meddle to *thine* hurt, that thou shouldest
fall, *even* thou, and Judah with thee?
20 But Amaziah would not hear; for it *came* of God, that he might deliver them into the
hand *of their enemies*, because they sought after the gods of Edom.
21 So Joash the king of Israel went up; and they saw one another in the face, *both* he and
Amaziah king of Judah, at Beth-shemesh, which *belongeth* to Judah.
22 And Judah was put to the worse before Israel, and they fled every man to his tent.***
23 And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Joash, the son of
Jehoahaz, at Beth-shemesh, and brought him to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of
Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim to the corner gate, four hundred cubits.†††
24 And *he took* all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of
God with Obed-edom, and the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned
to Samaria.
25 ¶ And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Joash son of
Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.
26 Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold, *are* they not written in the
book of the kings of Judah and Israel?
27 ¶ Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away from following the LORD they made
a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish
after him, and slew him there.‡‡‡§§§
28 And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of
Judah.*

26

1 Then all the people of Judah took Uzziah, who *was* sixteen years old, and made him king
in the room of his father Amaziah.*
2 He built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.
3 Sixteen years old *was* Uzziah when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and two years
in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Jecoliah of Jerusalem.
4 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father
Amaziah did.
5 And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of
God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper.†
6 And he went forth and warred against the Philistines, and brake down the wall of Gath,
and the wall of Jabneh, and the wall of Ashdod, and built cities about Ashdod, and among
the Philistines.‡
7 And God helped him against the Philistines, and against the Arabians that dwelt in Gur-
baal, and the Mehunims.
8 And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name spread abroad *even* to the
entering in of Egypt; for he strengthened *himself* exceedingly.§
9 Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate,
and at the turning *of the wall*, and fortified them.**
10 Also he built towers in the desert, and digged many wells: for he had much cattle,
both in the low country, and in the plains: husbandmen *also*, and vine dressers in the
mountains, and in Carmel: for he loved husbandry.††‡‡§§
11 Moreover Uzziah had an host of fighting men, that went out to war by bands, according
to the number of their account by the hand of Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the ruler, under
the hand of Hananiah, *one* of the king's captains.

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‡‡ **25:18** thistle: or, furze bush, or, thorn §§ **25:18** a wild...: Heb. a beast of the field *** **25:22** put...: Heb. smitten ††† **25:23** the corner...: Heb. the gate of it that looketh ‡‡‡ **25:27** from...: Heb. from after §§§ **25:27** made...: Heb. conspired a conspiracy * **25:28** Judah: that is, the city of David * **26:1** Uzziah: or, Azariah † **26:5** in the visions...: Heb. in the seeing of God ‡ **26:6** about...: or, in the country of Ashdod § **26:8** spread...: Heb. went ** **26:9** fortified: or, repaired †† **26:10** digged...: or, cut out many cisterns ‡‡ **26:10** Carmel: or, fruitful fields §§ **26:10** husbandry: Heb. ground

12 The whole number of the chief of the fathers of the mighty men of valour *were* two
thousand and six hundred.
13 And under their hand *was* an army, three hundred thousand and seven thousand and
five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to help the king against the enemy.***
14 And Uzziah prepared for them throughout all the host shields, and spears, and
helmets, and habergeons, and bows, and slings *to cast* stones.†††
15 And he made in Jerusalem engines, invented by cunning men, to be on the towers
and upon the bulwarks, to shoot arrows and great stones withal. And his name spread
far abroad; for he was marvellously helped, till he was strong.‡‡‡
16 ¶ But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to *his* destruction: for he transgressed
against the LORD his God, and went into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the
altar of incense.
17 And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him fourscore priests of the LORD,
that were valiant men:
18 And they withstood Uzziah the king, and said unto him, *It appertaineth* not unto thee,
Uzziah, to burn incense unto the LORD, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are
consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast trespassed; neither
shall it be for thine honour from the LORD God.
19 Then Uzziah was wroth, and *had* a censer in his hand to burn incense: and while he
was wroth with the priests, the leprosy even rose up in his forehead before the priests in
the house of the LORD, from beside the incense altar.
20 And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, behold, he *was*
leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out from thence; yea, himself hasted also to
go out, because the LORD had smitten him.
21 And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a several house,
being a leper; for he was cut off from the house of the LORD: and Jotham his son *was* over
the king's house, judging the people of the land.§§§
22 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Uzziah, first and last, did Isaiah the prophet, the son of
Amoz, write.
23 So Uzziah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers in the field of the
burial which *belonged* to the kings; for they said, He *is* a leper: and Jotham his son reigned
in his stead.

27

1 Jotham *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen
years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Jerushah, the daughter of Zadok.
2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father
Uzziah did: howbeit he entered not into the temple of the LORD. And the people did yet
corruptly.
3 He built the high gate of the house of the LORD, and on the wall of Ophel he built much.*
4 Moreover he built cities in the mountains of Judah, and in the forests he built castles
and towers.
5 ¶ He fought also with the king of the Ammonites, and prevailed against them. And the
children of Ammon gave him the same year an hundred talents of silver, and ten thousand
measures of wheat, and ten thousand of barley. So much did the children of Ammon pay
unto him, both the second year, and the third.†
6 So Jotham became mighty, because he prepared his ways before the LORD his God.‡
7 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, lo, they *are* written
in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.
8 He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in
Jerusalem.
9 ¶ And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Ahaz
his son reigned in his stead.

28

1 Ahaz *was* twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in
Jerusalem: but he did not *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, like David his
father:

*** **26:13** an army: Heb. the power of an army ††† **26:14** slings...: Heb. stones of slings ‡‡‡ **26:15** spread: Heb. went forth §§§ **26:21** several: Heb. free * **27:3** Ophel: or, the tower † **27:5** So...: Heb. This ‡ **27:6** prepared: or, established

2 For he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for
Baalim.
3 Moreover he burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his children
in the fire, after the abominations of the heathen whom the LORD had cast out before the
children of Israel.*
4 He sacrificed also and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under
every green tree.
5 Wherefore the LORD his God delivered him into the hand of the king of Syria; and
they smote him, and carried away a great multitude of them captives, and brought *them* to
Damascus. And he was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him
with a great slaughter.†
6 ¶ For Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah an hundred and twenty thousand in one
day, *which were* all valiant men; because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers.‡
7 And Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the
governor of the house, and Elkanah *that was* next to the king.§
8 And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred
thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and
brought the spoil to Samaria.
9 But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name *was* Oded: and he went out before
the host that came to Samaria, and said unto them, Behold, because the LORD God of your
fathers was wroth with Judah, he hath delivered them into your hand, and ye have slain
them in a rage *that* reacheth up unto heaven.
10 And now ye purpose to keep under the children of Judah and Jerusalem for bondmen
and bondwomen unto you: *but are there* not with you, even with you, sins against the LORD
your God?
11 Now hear me therefore, and deliver the captives again, which ye have taken captive
of your brethren: for the fierce wrath of the LORD *is* upon you.
12 Then certain of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan,
Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son
of Hadlai, stood up against them that came from the war,
13 And said unto them, Ye shall not bring in the captives hither: for whereas we have
offended against the LORD *already*, ye intend to add *more* to our sins and to our trespass:
for our trespass is great, and *there is* fierce wrath against Israel.
14 So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the
congregation.
15 And the men which were expressed by name rose up, and took the captives, and with
the spoil clothed all that were naked among them, and arrayed them, and shod them, and
gave them to eat and to drink, and anointed them, and carried all the feeble of them upon
asses, and brought them to Jericho, the city of palm trees, to their brethren: then they
returned to Samaria.
16 ¶ At that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him.
17 For again the Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried away captives.**
18 The Philistines also had invaded the cities of the low country, and of the south of Judah,
and had taken Beth-shemesh, and Ajalon, and Gederoth, and Shocho with the villages
thereof, and Timnah with the villages thereof, Gimzo also and the villages thereof: and
they dwelt there.
19 For the LORD brought Judah low because of Ahaz king of Israel; for he made Judah
naked, and transgressed sore against the LORD.
20 And Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but strength-
ened him not.
21 For Ahaz took away a portion *out* of the house of the LORD, and *out* of the house of the
king, and of the princes, and gave *it* unto the king of Assyria: but he helped him not.
22 ¶ And in the time of his distress did he trespass yet more against the LORD: this *is that*
king Ahaz.
23 For he sacrificed unto the gods of Damascus, which smote him: and he said, Because
the gods of the kings of Syria help them, *therefore* will I sacrifice to them, that they may
help me. But they were the ruin of him, and of all Israel.††

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* **28:3** burnt...: or, offered sacrifice † **28:5** Damascus: Heb. Darmesek ‡ **28:6** valiant...: Heb. sons of valour § **28:7** next...: Heb. the second to the king ** **28:17** captives: Heb. a captivity †† **28:23** Damascus: Heb. Darmesek

24 And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and cut in pieces the
vessels of the house of God, and shut up the doors of the house of the LORD, and he made
him altars in every corner of Jerusalem.
25 And in every several city of Judah he made high places to burn incense unto other gods,
and provoked to anger the LORD God of his fathers.‡‡
26 ¶ Now the rest of his acts and of all his ways, first and last, behold, they *are* written in
the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.
27 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, *even* in Jerusalem:
but they brought him not into the sepulchres of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son
reigned in his stead.

29

1 Hezekiah began to reign *when he was* five and twenty years old, and he reigned nine and
twenty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah.
2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his
father had done.
3 ¶ He in the first year of his reign, in the first month, opened the doors of the house of
the LORD, and repaired them.
4 And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them together into the east
street,
5 And said unto them, Hear me, ye Levites, sanctify now yourselves, and sanctify the
house of the LORD God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the holy *place*.
6 For our fathers have trespassed, and done *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD
our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned away their faces from the habitation of
the LORD, and turned *their* backs.*
7 Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps, and have not
burned incense nor offered burnt offerings in the holy *place* unto the God of Israel.
8 Wherefore the wrath of the LORD was upon Judah and Jerusalem, and he hath
delivered them to trouble, to astonishment, and to hissing, as ye see with your eyes.†
9 For, lo, our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our
wives *are* in captivity for this.
10 Now *it is* in mine heart to make a covenant with the LORD God of Israel, that his fierce
wrath may turn away from us.
11 My sons, be not now negligent: for the LORD hath chosen you to stand before him, to
serve him, and that ye should minister unto him, and burn incense.‡§
12 ¶ Then the Levites arose, Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the
sons of the Kohathites: and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son
of Jehalelel: and of the Gershonites; Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah:
13 And of the sons of Elizaphan; Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the sons of Asaph; Zechariah,
and Mattaniah:
14 And of the sons of Heman; Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of Jeduthun; Shemaiah,
and Uzziel.
15 And they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselves, and came, according
to the commandment of the king, by the words of the LORD, to cleanse the house of the
LORD.**
16 And the priests went into the inner part of the house of the LORD, to cleanse *it*, and
brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of the LORD into the court of
the house of the LORD. And the Levites took *it*, to carry *it* out abroad into the brook Kidron.
17 Now they began on the first *day* of the first month to sanctify, and on the eighth day of
the month came they to the porch of the LORD: so they sanctified the house of the LORD in
eight days; and in the sixteenth day of the first month they made an end.
18 Then they went in to Hezekiah the king, and said, We have cleansed all the house of
the LORD, and the altar of burnt offering, with all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread
table, with all the vessels thereof.
19 Moreover all the vessels, which king Ahaz in his reign did cast away in his transgres-
sion, have we prepared and sanctified, and, behold, they *are* before the altar of the LORD.
20 ¶ Then Hezekiah the king rose early, and gathered the rulers of the city, and went up
to the house of the LORD.

‡‡ **28:25** to burn: or, to offer * **29:6** turned their...: Heb. given the neck † **29:8** trouble: Heb. commotion ‡ **29:11** be not...: or, be not now deceived § **29:11** burn...: or, offer sacrifice ** **29:15** by the words...: or, in the business of the LORD

21 And they brought seven bullocks, and seven rams, and seven lambs, and seven he
goats, for a sin offering for the kingdom, and for the sanctuary, and for Judah. And he
commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer *them* on the altar of the LORD.
22 So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the
altar: likewise, when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar:
they killed also the lambs, and they sprinkled the blood upon the altar.
23 And they brought forth the he goats *for* the sin offering before the king and the
congregation; and they laid their hands upon them:††
24 And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the
altar, to make an atonement for all Israel: for the king commanded *that* the burnt offering
and the sin offering *should be made* for all Israel.
25 And he set the Levites in the house of the LORD with cymbals, with psalteries, and with
harps, according to the commandment of David, and of Gad the king's seer, and Nathan the
prophet: for *so was* the commandment of the LORD by his prophets.‡‡§§
26 And the Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the priests with the trumpets.
27 And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And when the
burnt offering began, the song of the LORD began *also* with the trumpets, and with the
instruments *ordained* by David king of Israel.***†††
28 And all the congregation worshipped, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters
sounded: *and* all *this continued* until the burnt offering was finished.‡‡‡
29 And when they had made an end of offering, the king and all that were present with
him bowed themselves, and worshipped.§§§
30 Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise
unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with
gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.
31 Then Hezekiah answered and said, Now ye have consecrated yourselves unto the
LORD, come near and bring sacrifices and thank offerings into the house of the LORD. And
the congregation brought in sacrifices and thank offerings; and as many as were of a free
heart burnt offerings.*
32 And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation brought, was three-
score and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, *and* two hundred lambs: all these *were* for a
burnt offering to the LORD.
33 And the consecrated things *were* six hundred oxen and three thousand sheep.
34 But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt offerings:
wherefore their brethren the Levites did help them, till the work was ended, and until
the *other* priests had sanctified themselves: for the Levites *were* more upright in heart to
sanctify themselves than the priests.†
35 And also the burnt offerings *were* in abundance, with the fat of the peace offerings,
and the drink offerings for *every* burnt offering. So the service of the house of the LORD
was set in order.
36 And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the
thing was *done* suddenly.

30

1 And Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters also to Ephraim and
Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, to keep the
passover unto the LORD God of Israel.
2 For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the congregation in Jerusalem,
to keep the passover in the second month.
3 For they could not keep it at that time, because the priests had not sanctified themselves
sufficiently, neither had the people gathered themselves together to Jerusalem.
4 And the thing pleased the king and all the congregation.*
5 So they established a decree to make proclamation throughout all Israel, from Beer-
sheba even to Dan, that they should come to keep the passover unto the LORD God of Israel
at Jerusalem: for they had not done *it* of a long *time in such sort* as it was written.

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†† **29:23** forth: Heb. near ‡‡ **29:25** commandment of the LORD: Heb. commandment by the hand of the LORD §§ **29:25** by: Heb. by the hand of *** **29:27** when: Heb. in the time ††† **29:27** the instruments: Heb. hands of instruments ‡‡‡ **29:28** singers: Heb. song §§§ **29:29** present: Heb. found * **29:31** consecrated...: or, filled your hand † **29:34** did help...: Heb. strengthened them * **30:4** pleased...: Heb. was right in the eyes of the king

6 So the posts went with the letters from the king and his princes throughout all Israel and
Judah, and according to the commandment of the king, saying, Ye children of Israel, turn
again unto the LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and he will return to the remnant
of you, that are escaped out of the hand of the kings of Assyria.†
7 And be not ye like your fathers, and like your brethren, which trespassed against the
LORD God of their fathers, *who* therefore gave them up to desolation, as ye see.
8 Now be ye not stiffnecked, as your fathers *were, but* yield yourselves unto the LORD,
and enter into his sanctuary, which he hath sanctified for ever: and serve the LORD your
God, that the fierceness of his wrath may turn away from you.‡§
9 For if ye turn again unto the LORD, your brethren and your children *shall find*
compassion before them that lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this
land: for the LORD your God *is* gracious and merciful, and will not turn away *his* face from
you, if ye return unto him.
10 So the posts passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh
even unto Zebulun: but they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them.
11 Nevertheless divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and
came to Jerusalem.
12 Also in Judah the hand of God was to give them one heart to do the commandment of
the king and of the princes, by the word of the LORD.
13 ¶ And there assembled at Jerusalem much people to keep the feast of unleavened
bread in the second month, a very great congregation.
14 And they arose and took away the altars that *were* in Jerusalem, and all the altars for
incense took they away, and cast *them* into the brook Kidron.
15 Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth *day* of the second month: and the
priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought in the burnt
offerings into the house of the LORD.
16 And they stood in their place after their manner, according to the law of Moses the man
of God: the priests sprinkled the blood, *which they received* of the hand of the Levites.**
17 For *there were* many in the congregation that were not sanctified: therefore the Levites
had the charge of the killing of the passovers for every one *that was* not clean, to sanctify
them unto the LORD.
18 For a multitude of the people, *even* many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and
Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did they eat the passover otherwise than it was
written. But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon every one
19 *That* prepareth his heart to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though *he be* not
cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary.
20 And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people.
21 And the children of Israel that were present at Jerusalem kept the feast of unleavened
bread seven days with great gladness: and the Levites and the priests praised the LORD
day by day, *singing* with loud instruments unto the LORD.††‡‡
22 And Hezekiah spake comfortably unto all the Levites that taught the good knowledge
of the LORD: and they did eat throughout the feast seven days, offering peace offerings,
and making confession to the LORD God of their fathers.§§
23 And the whole assembly took counsel to keep other seven days: and they kept *other*
seven days with gladness.
24 For Hezekiah king of Judah did give to the congregation a thousand bullocks and seven
thousand sheep; and the princes gave to the congregation a thousand bullocks and ten
thousand sheep: and a great number of priests sanctified themselves.***†††
25 And all the congregation of Judah, with the priests and the Levites, and all the
congregation that came out of Israel, and the strangers that came out of the land of Israel,
and that dwelt in Judah, rejoiced.
26 So there was great joy in Jerusalem: for since the time of Solomon the son of David
king of Israel *there was* not the like in Jerusalem.
27 ¶ Then the priests the Levites arose and blessed the people: and their voice was heard,
and their prayer came *up* to his holy dwelling place, *even* unto heaven.‡‡‡

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† **30:6** from: Heb. from the hand ‡ **30:8** be ye...: Heb. harden not your necks § **30:8** yield...: Heb. give the hand ** **30:16** their place: Heb. their standing †† **30:21** present: Heb. found ‡‡ **30:21** loud...: Heb. instruments of strength §§ **30:22** comfortably...: Heb. to the heart of all *** **30:24** did give: Heb. lifted up, or, offered ††† **30:24** gave: Heb. lifted up, or, offered ‡‡‡ **30:27** his holy...: Heb. the habitation of his holiness

31

1 Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went out to the cities of
Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high
places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until
they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to
his possession, into their own cities.*†‡
2 ¶ And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses,
every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for
peace offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of
the LORD.
3 *He appointed* also the king's portion of his substance for the burnt offerings, *to wit*, for
the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for
the new moons, and for the set feasts, as *it is* written in the law of the LORD.
4 Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give the portion of the
priests and the Levites, that they might be encouraged in the law of the LORD.
5 ¶ And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the children of Israel brought in
abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and honey, and of all the increase of the
field; and the tithe of all *things* brought they in abundantly.§**
6 And *concerning* the children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in the cities of Judah,
they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep, and the tithe of holy things which were
consecrated unto the LORD their God, and laid *them* by heaps.††
7 In the third month they began to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished *them* in
the seventh month.
8 And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they blessed the LORD,
and his people Israel.
9 Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps.
10 And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, Since *the*
people began to bring the offerings into the house of the LORD, we have had enough to eat,
and have left plenty: for the LORD hath blessed his people; and that which is left *is* this
great store.
11 ¶ Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare chambers in the house of the LORD; and they
prepared *them*,‡‡
12 And brought in the offerings and the tithes and the dedicated *things* faithfully: over
which Cononiah the Levite *was* ruler, and Shimei his brother *was* the next.
13 And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel,
and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, *were* overseers under the hand of Cononiah and
Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the
house of God.§§
14 And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the porter toward the east, *was* over the freewill
offerings of God, to distribute the oblations of the LORD, and the most holy things.
15 And next him *were* Eden, and Miniamin, and Jeshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and
Shecaniah, in the cities of the priests, in *their* set office, to give to their brethren by courses,
as well to the great as to the small:***†††
16 Beside their genealogy of males, from three years old and upward, *even* unto every
one that entereth into the house of the LORD, his daily portion for their service in their
charges according to their courses;
17 Both to the genealogy of the priests by the house of their fathers, and the Levites from
twenty years old and upward, in their charges by their courses;
18 And to the genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and their
daughters, through all the congregation: for in their set office they sanctified themselves
in holiness:‡‡‡
19 Also of the sons of Aaron the priests, *which were* in the fields of the suburbs of their
cities, in every several city, the men that were expressed by name, to give portions to all the
males among the priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogies among the Levites.
20 ¶ And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought *that which was* good and
right and truth before the LORD his God.

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* **31:1** present: Heb. found † **31:1** images: Heb. statues ‡ **31:1** until...: Heb. until to make an end § **31:5** came...: Heb. brake forth ** **31:5** honey: or, dates †† **31:6** by heaps: Heb. heaps, heaps ‡‡ **31:11** chambers: or, storehouses §§ **31:13** under...: Heb. at the hand *** **31:15** next...: Heb. at his hand ††† **31:15** set...: or, trust ‡‡‡ **31:18** set...: or, trust

21 And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and
in the commandments, to seek his God, he did *it* with all his heart, and prospered.

32

1 After these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib king of Assyria came,
and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought to win them
for himself.*
2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that he was purposed to fight
against Jerusalem,†
3 He took counsel with his princes and his mighty men to stop the waters of the fountains
which *were* without the city: and they did help him.
4 So there was gathered much people together, who stopped all the fountains, and the
brook that ran through the midst of the land, saying, Why should the kings of Assyria come,
and find much water?‡
5 Also he strengthened himself, and built up all the wall that was broken, and raised *it* up
to the towers, and another wall without, and repaired Millo *in* the city of David, and made
darts and shields in abundance.§
6 And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the
street of the gate of the city, and spake comfortably to them, saying,**
7 Be strong and courageous, be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for
all the multitude that *is* with him: for *there be* more with us than with him:
8 With him *is* an arm of flesh; but with us *is* the LORD our God to help us, and to fight our
battles. And the people rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.††
9 ¶ After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to Jerusalem, (but he
himself laid siege against Lachish, and all his power with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah,
and unto all Judah that *were* at Jerusalem, saying,‡‡
10 Thus saith Sennacherib king of Assyria, Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide in the siege
in Jerusalem?§§
11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you to give over yourselves to die by famine and by thirst,
saying, The LORD our God shall deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria?
12 Hath not the same Hezekiah taken away his high places and his altars, and com-
manded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall worship before one altar, and burn incense
upon it?
13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all the people of *other* lands? were
the gods of the nations of those lands any ways able to deliver their lands out of mine hand?
14 Who *was there* among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed,
that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that your God should be able to deliver you
out of mine hand?
15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither
yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of
mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you
out of mine hand?
16 And his servants spake yet *more* against the LORD God, and against his servant
Hezekiah.
17 He wrote also letters to rail on the LORD God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying,
As the gods of the nations of *other* lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand,
so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.
18 Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Jerusalem that
were on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city.
19 And they spake against the God of Jerusalem, as against the gods of the people of the
earth, *which were* the work of the hands of man.
20 And for this *cause* Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz, prayed
and cried to heaven.
21 ¶ And the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the
leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face
to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of
his own bowels slew him there with the sword.***

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* **32:1** to win...: Heb. to break them up † **32:2** he was...: Heb. his face was to war ‡ **32:4** ran: Heb. overflowed
§ **32:5** darts: or, swords, or, weapons ** **32:6** spake...: Heb. he spoke to their heart †† **32:8** rested...: Heb. leaned
‡‡ **32:9** power: Heb. dominion §§ **32:10** siege: or, strong hold *** **32:21** slew...: Heb. made him fall

22 Thus the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of
Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all *other*, and guided them on every
side.
23 And many brought gifts unto the LORD to Jerusalem, and presents to Hezekiah king of
Judah: so that he was magnified in the sight of all nations from thenceforth.†††
24 ¶ In those days Hezekiah was sick to the death, and prayed unto the LORD: and he
spake unto him, and he gave him a sign.‡‡‡
25 But Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit *done* unto him; for his heart
was lifted up: therefore there was wrath upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem.
26 Notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his heart, *both* he and the
inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the LORD came not upon them in the days of
Hezekiah.§§§
27 ¶ And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honour: and he made himself
treasuries for silver, and for gold, and for precious stones, and for spices, and for shields,
and for all manner of pleasant jewels;*
28 Storehouses also for the increase of corn, and wine, and oil; and stalls for all manner
of beasts, and cotes for flocks.
29 Moreover he provided him cities, and possessions of flocks and herds in abundance:
for God had given him substance very much.
30 This same Hezekiah also stopped the upper watercourse of Gihon, and brought it
straight down to the west side of the city of David. And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.
31 ¶ Howbeit in *the business of* the ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, who sent unto
him to enquire of the wonder that was *done* in the land, God left him, to try him, that he
might know all *that was* in his heart.†
32 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his goodness, behold, they *are* written in
the vision of Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, *and* in the book of the kings of Judah and
Israel.‡
33 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the chiefest of the
sepulchres of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him
honour at his death. And Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.§

33

1 Manasseh *was* twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and five
years in Jerusalem:
2 But did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, like unto the abominations of the
heathen, whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.
3 ¶ For he built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had broken down, and
he reared up altars for Baalim, and made groves, and worshipped all the host of heaven,
and served them.*
4 Also he built altars in the house of the LORD, whereof the LORD had said, In Jerusalem
shall my name be for ever.
5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.
6 And he caused his children to pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom:
also he observed times, and used enchantments, and used witchcraft, and dealt with a
familiar spirit, and with wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke
him to anger.
7 And he set a carved image, the idol which he had made, in the house of God, of which
God had said to David and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have
chosen before all the tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:
8 Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have
appointed for your fathers; so that they will take heed to do all that I have commanded
them, according to the whole law and the statutes and the ordinances by the hand of Moses.
9 So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to err, *and* to do worse than
the heathen, whom the LORD had destroyed before the children of Israel.
10 And the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his people: but they would not hearken.

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††† **32:23** presents: Heb. precious things ‡‡‡ **32:24** gave...: or, wrought a miracle for him §§§ **32:26** pride: Heb. lifting up * **32:27** pleasant...: Heb. instruments of desire † **32:31** ambassadors: Heb. interpreters ‡ **32:32** goodness: Heb. kindnesses § **32:33** chiefest: or, highest * **33:3** he built...: Heb. he returned and built

11 ¶ Wherefore the LORD brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of
Assyria, which took Manasseh among the thorns, and bound him with fetters, and carried
him to Babylon.†‡
12 And when he was in affliction, he besought the LORD his God, and humbled himself
greatly before the God of his fathers,
13 And prayed unto him: and he was intreated of him, and heard his supplication, and
brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD he
was God.
14 Now after this he built a wall without the city of David, on the west side of Gihon, in
the valley, even to the entering in at the fish gate, and compassed about Ophel, and raised
it up a very great height, and put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah.§
15 And he took away the strange gods, and the idol out of the house of the LORD, and all
the altars that he had built in the mount of the house of the LORD, and in Jerusalem, and
cast *them* out of the city.
16 And he repaired the altar of the LORD, and sacrificed thereon peace offerings and
thank offerings, and commanded Judah to serve the LORD God of Israel.
17 Nevertheless the people did sacrifice still in the high places, *yet* unto the LORD their
God only.
18 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his God, and the words of
the seers that spake to him in the name of the LORD God of Israel, behold, they *are written*
in the book of the kings of Israel.
19 His prayer also, and *how God* was intreated of him, and all his sin, and his trespass,
and the places wherein he built high places, and set up groves and graven images, before
he was humbled: behold, they *are* written among the sayings of the seers.**
20 ¶ So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried him in his own house: and Amon
his son reigned in his stead.
21 ¶ Amon *was* two and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned two years
in Jerusalem.
22 But he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as did Manasseh his father:
for Amon sacrificed unto all the carved images which Manasseh his father had made, and
served them;
23 And humbled not himself before the LORD, as Manasseh his father had humbled
himself; but Amon trespassed more and more.††
24 And his servants conspired against him, and slew him in his own house.
25 ¶ But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and
the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

34

1 Josiah *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem one and
thirty years.
2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the ways of
David his father, and declined *neither* to the right hand, nor to the left.
3 ¶ For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he began to seek after the
God of David his father: and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem
from the high places, and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images.
4 And they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the images, that *were*
on high above them, he cut down; and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten
images, he brake in pieces, and made dust *of them*, and strowed *it* upon the graves of them
that had sacrificed unto them.*†
5 And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and
Jerusalem.
6 And *so did he* in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphtali,
with their mattocks round about.‡
7 And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had beaten the graven
images into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned
to Jerusalem.§

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† **33:11** of the king: Heb. which were the king's ‡ **33:11** fetters: or, chains § **33:14** Ophel: or, the tower ** **33:19** the seers: or, Hosai †† **33:23** trespassed more and more: Heb. multiplied trespass * **34:4** the images: or, the sun images † **34:4** graves: Heb. face of the graves ‡ **34:6** mattocks: or, mauls § **34:7** into...: Heb. to make powder

8 ¶ Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the land, and the house,
he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the
son of Joahaz the recorder, to repair the house of the LORD his God.
9 And when they came to Hilkiah the high priest, they delivered the money that was
brought into the house of God, which the Levites that kept the doors had gathered of the
hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and
Benjamin; and they returned to Jerusalem.
10 And they put *it* in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of the
LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repair
and amend the house:
11 Even to the artificers and builders gave they *it*, to buy hewn stone, and timber for
couplings, and to floor the houses which the kings of Judah had destroyed.**
12 And the men did the work faithfully: and the overseers of them *were* Jahath and
Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of
the Kohathites, to set *it* forward; and *other of* the Levites, all that could skill of instruments
of musick.
13 Also *they were* over the bearers of burdens, and *were* overseers of all that wrought
the work in any manner of service: and of the Levites *there were* scribes, and officers, and
porters.
14 ¶ And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD,
Hilkiah the priest found a book of the law of the LORD *given* by Moses.††
15 And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the
law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah delivered the book to Shaphan.
16 And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and brought the king word back again,
saying, All that was committed to thy servants, they do *it*.‡‡
17 And they have gathered together the money that was found in the house of the LORD,
and have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and to the hand of the workmen.§§
18 Then Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath given me a book.
And Shaphan read it before the king.***
19 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that he rent his
clothes.
20 And the king commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Abdon the son
of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying,†††
21 Go, enquire of the LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah,
concerning the words of the book that is found: for great *is* the wrath of the LORD that
is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the LORD, to do after
all that is written in this book.
22 And Hilkiah, and *they* that the king *had appointed*, went to Huldah the prophetess, the
wife of Shallum the son of Tikvath, the son of Hasrah, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she
dwelt in Jerusalem in the college:) and they spake to her to that *effect*.‡‡‡§§§*
23 ¶ And she answered them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell ye the man that sent
you to me,
24 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants
thereof, *even* all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the
king of Judah:
25 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they
might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be
poured out upon this place, and shall not be quenched.
26 And as for the king of Judah, who sent you to enquire of the LORD, so shall ye say unto
him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel *concerning* the words which thou hast heard;
27 Because thine heart was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before God, when thou
heardest his words against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, and humbledst
thyself before me, and didst rend thy clothes, and weep before me; I have even heard *thee*
also, saith the LORD.
28 Behold, I will gather thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered to thy grave in
peace, neither shall thine eyes see all the evil that I will bring upon this place, and upon
the inhabitants of the same. So they brought the king word again.

** **34:11** to floor: or, to rafter †† **34:14** by: Heb. by the hand of ‡‡ **34:16** to thy...: Heb. to the hand of, etc §§ **34:17** gathered together: Heb. poured out, or, melted *** **34:18** it: Heb. in it ††† **34:20** Abdon: or, Achbor ‡‡‡ **34:22** Hasrah: also called, Harhas §§§ **34:22** wardrobe: Heb. garments * **34:22** in the college: or, in the school, or, in the second part

29 ¶[Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem.
30 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the
inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, great and
small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found
in the house of the LORD.†
31 And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after
the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all
his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in
this book.
32 And he caused all that were present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand *to it*. And the
inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.‡
33 And Josiah took away all the abominations out of all the countries that *pertained* to the
children of Israel, and made all that were present in Israel to serve, *even* to serve the LORD
their God. *And* all his days they departed not from following the LORD, the God of their
fathers.§**

35

1 Moreover Josiah kept a passover unto the LORD in Jerusalem: and they killed the
passover on the fourteenth *day* of the first month.
2 And he set the priests in their charges, and encouraged them to the service of the house
of the LORD,
3 And said unto the Levites that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD, Put the
holy ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; *it shall* not
be a burden upon *your* shoulders: serve now the LORD your God, and his people Israel,
4 And prepare *yourselves* by the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to
the writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of Solomon his son.
5 And stand in the holy *place* according to the divisions of the families of the fathers of
your brethren the people, and *after* the division of the families of the Levites.*†
6 So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that *they* may
do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
7 And Josiah gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings,
for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks:
these *were* of the king's substance.‡
8 And his princes gave willingly unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites: Hilkiah
and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover
offerings two thousand and six hundred *small cattle*, and three hundred oxen.§
9 Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel
and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, gave unto the Levites for passover offerings five thousand
small cattle, and five hundred oxen.**
10 So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in
their courses, according to the king's commandment.
11 And they killed the passover, and the priests sprinkled *the blood* from their hands, and
the Levites flayed *them*.
12 And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions
of the families of the people, to offer unto the LORD, as *it is* written in the book of Moses.
And so *did they* with the oxen.
13 And they roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance: but the *other* holy
offerings sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and divided *them* speedily among
all the people.††
14 And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the priests: because the
priests the sons of Aaron *were busied* in offering of burnt offerings and the fat until night;
therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.
15 And the singers the sons of Asaph *were* in their place, according to the commandment
of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters *waited*
at every gate; they might not depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites
prepared for them.‡‡

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† **34:30** great...: Heb. from great even to small ‡ **34:32** present: Heb. found § **34:33** present: Heb. found ** **34:33** from...: Heb. from after * **35:5** the families of the fathers: Heb. the house of the fathers † **35:5** the people: Heb. the sons of the people ‡ **35:7** gave: Heb. offered § **35:8** gave willingly: Heb. offered, etc ** **35:9** gave: Heb. offered †† **35:13** divided...: Heb. made them run ‡‡ **35:15** place: Heb. station

16 So all the service of the LORD was prepared the same day, to keep the passover, and to
offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the LORD, according to the commandment of king
Josiah.
17 And the children of Israel that were present kept the passover at that time, and the
feast of unleavened bread seven days.§§
18 And there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the
prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the
priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of
Jerusalem.***
19 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover kept.
20 ¶ After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple, Necho king of Egypt came up to
fight against Carchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him.†††
21 But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with thee, thou king of
Judah? *I come* not against thee this day, but against the house wherewith I have war: for
God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee from *meddling with* God, who *is* with me,
that he destroy thee not.‡‡‡
22 Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he
might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God,
and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo.
23 And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away;
for I am sore wounded.§§§
24 His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot
that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died, and was buried in *one of* the
sepulchres of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.*
25 ¶ And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and the singing women
spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel:
and, behold, they *are* written in the lamentations.
26 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his goodness, according to *that which was* written
in the law of the LORD,†
27 And his deeds, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel
and Judah.

36

1 Then the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and made him king in his
father's stead in Jerusalem.
2 Jehoahaz *was* twenty and three years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three
months in Jerusalem.
3 And the king of Egypt put him down at Jerusalem, and condemned the land in an
hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold.*
4 And the king of Egypt made Eliakim his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem, and
turned his name to Jehoiakim. And Necho took Jehoahaz his brother, and carried him to
Egypt.
5 ¶ Jehoiakim *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned
eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God.
6 Against him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him in fetters, to
carry him to Babylon.†
7 Nebuchadnezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of the LORD to Babylon, and
put them in his temple at Babylon.
8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, and that
which was found in him, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and
Judah: and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.‡
9 ¶ Jehoiachin *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months
and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD.

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§§ **35:17** present: Heb. found *** **35:18** present: Heb. found ††† **35:20** temple: Heb. house ‡‡‡ **35:21** the house...: Heb. the house of my war §§§ **35:23** wounded: Heb. made sick * **35:24** in one...: or, among the sepulchres † **35:26** goodness: Heb. kindnesses * **36:3** put...: Heb. removed him † **36:6** fetters: or, chains ‡ **36:8** Jehoiachin: also called, Jeconiah, or, Coniah

10 And when the year was expired, king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to
Babylon, with the goodly vessels of the house of the LORD, and made Zedekiah his brother
king over Judah and Jerusalem.§**††
11 ¶ Zedekiah *was* one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven
years in Jerusalem.
12 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God, *and* humbled not
himself before Jeremiah the prophet *speaking* from the mouth of the LORD.
13 And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God:
but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel.
14 ¶ Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after
all the abominations of the heathen; and polluted the house of the LORD which he had
hallowed in Jerusalem.
15 And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes,
and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place:‡‡§§
16 But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his
prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till *there was* no remedy.***
17 Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men
with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man
or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave *them* all into his hand.
18 And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house
of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all *these* he brought to
Babylon.
19 And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all
the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.
20 And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they
were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:†††
21 To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed
her sabbaths: *for* as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten
years.
22 ¶ Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD *spoken* by the
mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of
Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing,
saying,
23 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD God of
heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem, which *is* in
Judah. Who *is there* among you of all his people? The LORD his God *be* with him, and let
him go up.

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§ **36:10** when...: Heb. at the return of the year ** **36:10** goodly...: Heb. vessels of desire †† **36:10** Zedekiah...: or, Mattaniah, his father's brother ‡‡ **36:15** by: Heb. by the hand of §§ **36:15** betimes: that is, continually and carefully *** **36:16** remedy: Heb. healing ††† **36:20** them...: Heb. the remainder from the sword

Ezra

1 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of
Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he
made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,*
2 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the
kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which
is in Judah.
3 Who *is there* among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to
Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel, (he *is* the God,)
which *is* in Jerusalem.
4 And whosoever remaineth in any place where he sojourneth, let the men of his place
help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, beside the freewill
offering for the house of God that *is* in Jerusalem.†
5 ¶ Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the
Levites, with all *them* whose spirit God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD
which *is* in Jerusalem.
6 And all they that *were* about them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with
gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all *that* was willingly
offered.‡
7 ¶ Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the LORD, which
Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of
his gods;
8 Even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer,
and numbered them unto Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah.
9 And this *is* the number of them: thirty chargers of gold, a thousand chargers of silver,
nine and twenty knives,
10 Thirty basons of gold, silver basons of a second *sort* four hundred and ten, *and* other
vessels a thousand.
11 All the vessels of gold and of silver *were* five thousand and four hundred. All *these* did
Sheshbazzar bring up with *them of* the captivity that were brought up from Babylon unto
Jerusalem.§

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1 Now these *are* the children of the province that went up out of the captivity, of those
which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried
away unto Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem and Judah, every one unto his city;
2 Which came with Zerubbabel: Jeshua, Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bil-
shan, Mispar, Bigvai, Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel:*†‡§
3 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.
4 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.
5 The children of Arah, seven hundred seventy and five.
6 The children of Pahath-moab, of the children of Jeshua *and* Joab, two thousand eight
hundred and twelve.
7 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.
8 The children of Zattu, nine hundred forty and five.
9 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.
10 The children of Bani, six hundred forty and two.**
11 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three.
12 The children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two.
13 The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six.
14 The children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six.
15 The children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four.
16 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.
17 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three.

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* **1:1** made...: Heb. caused a voice to pass † **1:4** help...: Heb. lift him up ‡ **1:6** strengthened...: that is, helped them
§ **1:11** the captivity: Heb. the transportation * **2:2** Seraiah: also called, Azariah † **2:2** Reelaiah: or, Raamiah
‡ **2:2** Mispar: or, Mispereth § **2:2** Rehum: or, Nehum ** **2:10** Bani: also called, Binnui

18 The children of Jorah, an hundred and twelve.††
19 The children of Hashum, two hundred twenty and three.
20 The children of Gibbar, ninety and five.‡‡
21 The children of Beth-lehem, an hundred twenty and three.
22 The men of Netophah, fifty and six.
23 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.
24 The children of Azmaveth, forty and two.§§
25 The children of Kirjath-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty and three.
26 The children of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.
27 The men of Michmas, an hundred twenty and two.
28 The men of Beth-el and Ai, two hundred twenty and three.
29 The children of Nebo, fifty and two.
30 The children of Magbish, an hundred fifty and six.
31 The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.
32 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.
33 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and five.***
34 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.
35 The children of Senaah, three thousand and six hundred and thirty.
36 ¶ The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.
37 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.
38 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.
39 The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.
40 ¶ The Levites: the children of Jeshua and Kadmiel, of the children of Hodaviah, seventy and four.†††
41 ¶ The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight.
42 ¶ The children of the porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, *in* all an hundred thirty and nine.
43 ¶ The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the children of Tabbaoth,
44 The children of Keros, the children of Siaha, the children of Padon,‡‡‡
45 The children of Lebanah, the children of Hagabah, the children of Akkub,
46 The children of Hagab, the children of Shalmai, the children of Hanan,§§§
47 The children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah,
48 The children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, the children of Gazzam,
49 The children of Uzza, the children of Paseah, the children of Besai,
50 The children of Asnah, the children of Mehunim, the children of Nephusim,*
51 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,
52 The children of Bazluth, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,†
53 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Thamah,
54 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.
55 ¶ The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of Peruda,‡
56 The children of Jaalah, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,
57 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of Ami.§
58 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.
59 And these *were* they which went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsa, Cherub, Addan, *and* Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, and their seed, whether they *were* of Israel:**††
60 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred fifty and two.

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†† **2:18** Jorah: also called, Hariph ‡‡ **2:20** Gibbar: also called, Gibeon §§ **2:24** Azmaveth: also called, Beth-azmaveth *** **2:33** Hadid: or, Harid, as it is in some copies ††† **2:40** Hodaviah: also called, Judah or Hodevah ‡‡‡ **2:44** Siaha: also called, Sia §§§ **2:46** Shalmai: also called, Shamlai * **2:50** Nephusim: also called, Nephishesim † **2:52** Bazluth: also called, Bazlith ‡ **2:55** Peruda: also called, Perida § **2:57** Ami: also called, Amon ** **2:59** Addan: also called, Addon †† **2:59** seed: or, pedigree

61 ¶ And of the children of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai; which took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name:
62 These sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogy, but they were not found: therefore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.‡‡
63 And the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and with Thummim.§§
64 ¶ The whole congregation together *was* forty and two thousand three hundred *and* threescore,
65 Beside their servants and their maids, of whom *there were* seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and *there were* among them two hundred singing men and singing women.
66 Their horses *were* seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five;
67 Their camels, four hundred thirty and five; *their* asses, six thousand seven hundred and twenty.
68 ¶ And *some* of the chief of the fathers, when they came to the house of the LORD which *is* at Jerusalem, offered freely for the house of God to set it up in his place:
69 They gave after their ability unto the treasure of the work threescore and one thousand drams of gold, and five thousand pound of silver, and one hundred priests' garments.
70 So the priests, and the Levites, and *some* of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, dwelt in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.

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1 And when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel *were* in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem.
2 Then stood up Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as *it is* written in the law of Moses the man of God.*†‡
3 And they set the altar upon his bases; for fear *was* upon them because of the people of those countries: and they offered burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD, *even* burnt offerings morning and evening.
4 They kept also the feast of tabernacles, as *it is* written, and *offered* the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom, as the duty of every day required;§
5 And afterward *offered* the continual burnt offering, both of the new moons, and of all the set feasts of the LORD that were consecrated, and of every one that willingly offered a freewill offering unto the LORD.
6 From the first day of the seventh month began they to offer burnt offerings unto the LORD. But the foundation of the temple of the LORD was not *yet* laid.**
7 They gave money also unto the masons, and to the carpenters; and meat, and drink, and oil, unto them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of Joppa, according to the grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia.††
8 ¶ Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second month, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the remnant of their brethren the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity unto Jerusalem; and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to set forward the work of the house of the LORD.
9 Then stood Jeshua *with* his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of Judah, together, to set forward the workmen in the house of God: the sons of Henadad, *with* their sons and their brethren the Levites.‡‡§§
10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel.
11 And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the LORD; because *he is* good, for his mercy *endureth* for ever toward Israel. And all the people

‡‡ **2:62** were they...: Heb. they were polluted from the priesthood §§ **2:63** Tirshatha: or, governor * **3:2** Jeshua: also called, Joshua † **3:2** Zerubbabel: Gr. Zorobabel ‡ **3:2** Shealtiel: Gr. Salathiel § **3:4** as the duty...: Heb. the matter of the day in his day ** **3:6** the foundation...: Heb. the temple of the LORD was not yet founded †† **3:7** carpenters: or, workmen ‡‡ **3:9** Judah: also called, Hodaviah §§ **3:9** together: Heb. as one

shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.
12 But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, *who were* ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy:
13 So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

4

1 Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel;*
2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye *do;* and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esar-haddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.
3 But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us.
4 Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building,
5 And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia.
6 And in the reign of Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign, wrote they *unto him* an accusation against the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem.†
7 ¶ And in the days of Artaxerxes wrote Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of their companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and the writing of the letter *was* written in the Syrian tongue, and interpreted in the Syrian tongue.‡§
8 Rehum the chancellor and Shimshai the scribe wrote a letter against Jerusalem to Artaxerxes the king in this sort:**
9 Then *wrote* Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai the scribe, and the rest of their companions; the Dinaites, the Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the Apharsites, the Archevites, the Babylonians, the Susanchites, the Dehavites, *and* the Elamites,††
10 And the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnappar brought over, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest *that are* on this side the river, and at such a time.‡‡
11 ¶ This *is* the copy of the letter that they sent unto him, *even* unto Artaxerxes the king; Thy servants the men on this side the river, and at such a time.
12 Be it known unto the king, that the Jews which came up from thee to us are come unto Jerusalem, building the rebellious and the bad city, and have set up the walls *thereof*, and joined the foundations.§§***
13 Be it known now unto the king, that, if this city be builded, and the walls set up *again, then* will they not pay toll, tribute, and custom, and *so* thou shalt endamage the revenue of the kings.†††‡‡‡
14 Now because we have maintenance from *the king's* palace, and it was not meet for us to see the king's dishonour, therefore have we sent and certified the king;§§§
15 That search may be made in the book of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the records, and know that this city *is* a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and provinces, and that they have moved sedition within the same of old time: for which cause was this city destroyed. *†
16 We certify the king that, if this city be builded *again*, and the walls thereof set up, by this means thou shalt have no portion on this side the river.
17 ¶ *Then* sent the king an answer unto Rehum the chancellor, and *to* Shimshai the scribe, and *to* the rest of their companions that dwell in Samaria, and *unto* the rest beyond the river, Peace, and at such a time.‡

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* **4:1** the children...: Heb. the sons of the transportation † **4:6** Ahasuerus: Heb. Ahashverosh ‡ **4:7** Bishlam: or, in peace § **4:7** companions: Heb. societies ** **4:8** scribe: or, secretary †† **4:9** companions: Chaldee, societies ‡‡ **4:10** at such...: Chaldee, Cheeneth §§ **4:12** set up: or, finished *** **4:12** joined: Chaldee, sewed together ††† **4:13** pay: Chaldee, give ‡‡‡ **4:13** revenue: or, strength §§§ **4:14** we have...: Chaldee, we are salted with the salt of the palace * **4:15** moved: Chaldee, made † **4:15** within...: Chaldee, in the midst thereof ‡ **4:17** companions: Chaldee, societies

18 The letter which ye sent unto us hath been plainly read before me.
19 And I commanded, and search hath been made, and it is found that this city of old time
hath made insurrection against kings, and *that* rebellion and sedition have been made
therein.§**
20 There have been mighty kings also over Jerusalem, which have ruled over all *countries*
beyond the river; and toll, tribute, and custom, was paid unto them.
21 Give ye now commandment to cause these men to cease, and that this city be not
builded, until *another* commandment shall be given from me.††
22 Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why should damage grow to the hurt of the
kings?
23 ¶ Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes' letter *was* read before Rehum, and Shimshai
the scribe, and their companions, they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and
made them to cease by force and power.‡‡
24 Then ceased the work of the house of God which *is* at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the
second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia.

5

1 Then the prophets, Haggai the prophet, and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied unto
the Jews that *were* in Judah and Jerusalem in the name of the God of Israel, *even* unto them.
2 Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and began
to build the house of God which *is* at Jerusalem: and with them *were* the prophets of God
helping them.
3 ¶ At the same time came to them Tatnai, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-
boznai, and their companions, and said thus unto them, Who hath commanded you to
build this house, and to make up this wall?
4 Then said we unto them after this manner, What are the names of the men that make
this building?*
5 But the eye of their God was upon the elders of the Jews, that they could not cause them
to cease, till the matter came to Darius: and then they returned answer by letter concerning
this *matter*.
6 ¶ The copy of the letter that Tatnai, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai,
and his companions the Apharsachites, which *were* on this side the river, sent unto Darius
the king:
7 They sent a letter unto him, wherein was written thus; Unto Darius the king, all peace.†
8 Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of Judea, to the house of the
great God, which is builded with great stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and this work
goeth fast on, and prospereth in their hands.‡
9 Then asked we those elders, *and* said unto them thus, Who commanded you to build
this house, and to make up these walls?
10 We asked their names also, to certify thee, that we might write the names of the men
that *were* the chief of them.
11 And thus they returned us answer, saying, We are the servants of the God of heaven
and earth, and build the house that was builded these many years ago, which a great king
of Israel builded and set up.
12 But after that our fathers had provoked the God of heaven unto wrath, he gave them
into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who destroyed this
house, and carried the people away into Babylon.
13 But in the first year of Cyrus the king of Babylon *the same* king Cyrus made a decree to
build this house of God.
14 And the vessels also of gold and silver of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar
took out of the temple that *was* in Jerusalem, and brought them into the temple of Babylon,
those did Cyrus the king take out of the temple of Babylon, and they were delivered unto
one, whose name *was* Sheshbazzar, whom he had made governor;§
15 And said unto him, Take these vessels, go, carry them into the temple that *is* in
Jerusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.

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§ **4:19** I commanded: Chaldee, by me a decree is set ** **4:19** made insurrection: Chaldee, lifted up itself †† **4:21** Give...: Chaldee, Make a decree ‡‡ **4:23** by force...: Chaldee, by arm and power * **5:4** make: Chaldee, build † **5:7** wherein: Chaldee, in the midst whereof ‡ **5:8** great...: Chaldee, stones of rolling § **5:14** governor: or, deputy

16 Then came the same Sheshbazzar, *and* laid the foundation of the house of God which
is in Jerusalem: and since that time even until now hath it been in building, and *yet* it is not
finished.
17 Now therefore, if *it seem* good to the king, let there be search made in the king's
treasure house, which *is* there at Babylon, whether it be *so,* that a decree was made of
Cyrus the king to build this house of God at Jerusalem, and let the king send his pleasure to
us concerning this matter.

6

1 Then Darius the king made a decree, and search was made in the house of the rolls,
where the treasures were laid up in Babylon.*†
2 And there was found at Achmetha, in the palace that *is* in the province of the Medes, a
roll, and therein *was* a record thus written: ‡
3 In the first year of Cyrus the king *the same* Cyrus the king made a decree *concerning*
the house of God at Jerusalem, Let the house be builded, the place where they offered
sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid; the height thereof threescore
cubits, *and* the breadth thereof threescore cubits;
4 *With* three rows of great stones, and a row of new timber: and let the expenses be given
out of the king's house:
5 And also let the golden and silver vessels of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar
took forth out of the temple which *is* at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon, be restored,
and brought again unto the temple which *is* at Jerusalem, *every one* to his place, and place
them in the house of God.§
6 Now *therefore*, Tatnai, governor beyond the river, Shethar-boznai, and your compan-
ions the Apharsachites, which *are* beyond the river, be ye far from thence:**
7 Let the work of this house of God alone; let the governor of the Jews and the elders of
the Jews build this house of God in his place.
8 Moreover I make a decree what ye shall do to the elders of these Jews for the building
of this house of God: that of the king's goods, *even* of the tribute beyond the river, forthwith
expenses be given unto these men, that they be not hindered.††‡‡
9 And that which they have need of, both young bullocks, and rams, and lambs, for
the burnt offerings of the God of heaven, wheat, salt, wine, and oil, according to the
appointment of the priests which *are* at Jerusalem, let it be given them day by day without
fail:
10 That they may offer sacrifices of sweet savours unto the God of heaven, and pray for
the life of the king, and of his sons.§§
11 Also I have made a decree, that whosoever shall alter this word, let timber be pulled
down from his house, and being set up, let him be hanged thereon; and let his house be
made a dunghill for this.***
12 And the God that hath caused his name to dwell there destroy all kings and people,
that shall put to their hand to alter *and* to destroy this house of God which *is* at Jerusalem.
I Darius have made a decree; let it be done with speed.
13 ¶ Then Tatnai, governor on this side the river, Shethar-boznai, and their companions,
according to that which Darius the king had sent, so they did speedily.
14 And the elders of the Jews builded, and they prospered through the prophesying of
Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they builded, and finished *it*,
according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the commandment
of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia.†††
15 And this house was finished on the third day of the month Adar, which was in the sixth
year of the reign of Darius the king.
16 ¶ And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the children of
the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of God with joy,‡‡‡
17 And offered at the dedication of this house of God an hundred bullocks, two hundred
rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin offering for all Israel, twelve he goats, according
to the number of the tribes of Israel.

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* **6:1** rolls: Chaldee, books † **6:1** laid up: Chaldee, made to descend ‡ **6:2** Achmetha: or, Ecbatana, or, in a coffer § **6:5** brought again: Chaldee, go ** **6:6** your...: Chaldee, their societies †† **6:8** I make...: Chaldee, by me a decree is made ‡‡ **6:8** hindered: Chaldee, made to cease §§ **6:10** of sweet...: Chaldee, of rest *** **6:11** let him...: Chaldee, let him be destroyed ††† **6:14** commandment: Chaldee, decree ‡‡‡ **6:16** the children of the captivity: Chaldee, the sons of the transportation

18 And they set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in their courses, for the
service of God, which *is* at Jerusalem; as it is written in the book of Moses.§§§
19 And the children of the captivity kept the passover upon the fourteenth *day* of the first
month.
20 For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of them *were* pure, and killed
the passover for all the children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for
themselves.
21 And the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had
separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of the heathen of the land, to seek the
LORD God of Israel, did eat,
22 And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for the LORD had made
them joyful, and turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their
hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel.

7

1 Now after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra the son of Seraiah,
the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah,
2 The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,
3 The son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,
4 The son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,
5 The son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief
priest:
6 This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he *was* a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which
the LORD God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request, according to
the hand of the LORD his God upon him.
7 And there went up *some* of the children of Israel, and of the priests, and the Levites,
and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year
of Artaxerxes the king.
8 And he came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which *was* in the seventh year of the king.
9 For upon the first *day* of the first month began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first
day of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon
him.*
10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do *it*, and to teach
in Israel statutes and judgments.
11 ¶ Now this *is* the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest,
the scribe, *even* a scribe of the words of the commandments of the LORD, and of his statutes
to Israel.
12 Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the God of heaven,
perfect *peace*, and at such a time.†
13 I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and *of* his priests and Levites, in
my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee.
14 Forasmuch as thou art sent of the king, and of his seven counsellors, to enquire
concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to the law of thy God which *is* in thine hand;‡
15 And to carry the silver and gold, which the king and his counsellors have freely offered
unto the God of Israel, whose habitation *is* in Jerusalem,
16 And all the silver and gold that thou canst find in all the province of Babylon, with the
freewill offering of the people, and of the priests, offering willingly for the house of their
God which *is* in Jerusalem:
17 That thou mayest buy speedily with this money bullocks, rams, lambs, with their meat
offerings and their drink offerings, and offer them upon the altar of the house of your God
which *is* in Jerusalem.
18 And whatsoever shall seem good to thee, and to thy brethren, to do with the rest of the
silver and the gold, that do after the will of your God.
19 The vessels also that are given thee for the service of the house of thy God, *those* deliver
thou before the God of Jerusalem.
20 And whatsoever more shall be needful for the house of thy God, which thou shalt have
occasion to bestow, bestow *it* out of the king's treasure house.

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§§§ **6:18** as it is...: Chaldee, according to the writing * **7:9** began...: Heb. was the foundation of the going up † **7:12** unto...: or, to Ezra the priest, a perfect scribe of the law of the God of heaven, peace, etc ‡ **7:14** of the king: Chaldee, from before the king

21 And I, *even* I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which *are*
beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven,
shall require of you, it be done speedily,
22 Unto an hundred talents of silver, and to an hundred measures of wheat, and to an
hundred baths of wine, and to an hundred baths of oil, and salt without prescribing *how*
much.§
23 Whatsoever is commanded by the God of heaven, let it be diligently done for the house
of the God of heaven: for why should there be wrath against the realm of the king and his
sons?**
24 Also we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, singers, porters,
Nethinims, or ministers of this house of God, it shall not be lawful to impose toll, tribute,
or custom, upon them.
25 And thou, Ezra, after the wisdom of thy God, that *is* in thine hand, set magistrates and
judges, which may judge all the people that *are* beyond the river, all such as know the laws
of thy God; and teach ye them that know *them* not.
26 And whosoever will not do the law of thy God, and the law of the king, let judgment be
executed speedily upon him, whether *it be* unto death, or to banishment, or to confiscation
of goods, or to imprisonment.††
27 ¶ Blessed *be* the LORD God of our fathers, which hath put *such a thing* as this in the
king's heart, to beautify the house of the LORD which *is* in Jerusalem:
28 And hath extended mercy unto me before the king, and his counsellors, and before all
the king's mighty princes. And I was strengthened as the hand of the LORD my God *was*
upon me, and I gathered together out of Israel chief men to go up with me.

8

1 These *are* now the chief of their fathers, and *this is* the genealogy of them that went up
with me from Babylon, in the reign of Artaxerxes the king.
2 Of the sons of Phinehas; Gershom: of the sons of Ithamar; Daniel: of the sons of David;
Hattush.
3 Of the sons of Shechaniah, of the sons of Pharosh; Zechariah: and with him were
reckoned by genealogy of the males an hundred and fifty.
4 Of the sons of Pahath-moab; Elihoenai the son of Zerahiah, and with him two hundred
males.
5 Of the sons of Shechaniah; the son of Jahaziel, and with him three hundred males.
6 Of the sons also of Adin; Ebed the son of Jonathan, and with him fifty males.
7 And of the sons of Elam; Jeshaiah the son of Athaliah, and with him seventy males.
8 And of the sons of Shephatiah; Zebadiah the son of Michael, and with him fourscore
males.
9 Of the sons of Joab; Obadiah the son of Jehiel, and with him two hundred and eighteen
males.
10 And of the sons of Shelomith; the son of Josiphiah, and with him an hundred and
threescore males.
11 And of the sons of Bebai; Zechariah the son of Bebai, and with him twenty and eight
males.
12 And of the sons of Azgad; Johanan the son of Hakkatan, and with him an hundred and
ten males.*
13 And of the last sons of Adonikam, whose names *are* these, Eliphelet, Jeiel, and
Shemaiah, and with them threescore males.
14 Of the sons also of Bigvai; Uthai, and Zabbud, and with them seventy males.†
15 ¶ And I gathered them together to the river that runneth to Ahava; and there abode
we in tents three days: and I viewed the people, and the priests, and found there none of
the sons of Levi.‡
16 Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shemaiah, and for Elnathan, and for Jarib, and
for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for Meshullam, chief men; also for
Joiarib, and for Elnathan, men of understanding.

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§ **7:22** measures: Chaldee, cors ** **7:23** Whatsoever...: Chaldee, Whatsoever is of the decree †† **7:26** to banishment: Chaldee, to rooting out * **8:12** the son...: or, the youngest son † **8:14** Zabbud: or, Zaccur, as some read ‡ **8:15** abode: or, pitched

17 And I sent them with commandment unto Iddo the chief at the place Casiphia, and I
told them what they should say unto Iddo, *and* to his brethren the Nethinims, at the place
Casiphia, that they should bring unto us ministers for the house of our God.§
18 And by the good hand of our God upon us they brought us a man of understanding, of
the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his
brethren, eighteen;
19 And Hashabiah, and with him Jeshaiah of the sons of Merari, his brethren and their
sons, twenty;
20 Also of the Nethinims, whom David and the princes had appointed for the service of
the Levites, two hundred and twenty Nethinims: all of them were expressed by name.
21 ¶ Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves
before our God, to seek of him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our
substance.
22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us
against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of
our God *is* upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath *is* against all
them that forsake him.
23 So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated of us.
24 ¶ Then I separated twelve of the chief of the priests, Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of
their brethren with them,
25 And weighed unto them the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, *even* the offering of
the house of our God, which the king, and his counsellors, and his lords, and all Israel *there*
present, had offered:
26 I even weighed unto their hand six hundred and fifty talents of silver, and silver vessels
an hundred talents, *and* of gold an hundred talents;
27 Also twenty basons of gold, of a thousand drams; and two vessels of fine copper,
precious as gold.**††
28 And I said unto them, Ye *are* holy unto the LORD; the vessels *are* holy also; and the
silver and the gold *are* a freewill offering unto the LORD God of your fathers.
29 Watch ye, and keep *them*, until ye weigh *them* before the chief of the priests and the
Levites, and chief of the fathers of Israel, at Jerusalem, in the chambers of the house of the
LORD.
30 So took the priests and the Levites the weight of the silver, and the gold, and the vessels,
to bring *them* to Jerusalem unto the house of our God.
31 ¶ Then we departed from the river of Ahava on the twelfth *day* of the first month, to go
unto Jerusalem: and the hand of our God was upon us, and he delivered us from the hand
of the enemy, and of such as lay in wait by the way.
32 And we came to Jerusalem, and abode there three days.
33 ¶ Now on the fourth day was the silver and the gold and the vessels weighed in the
house of our God by the hand of Meremoth the son of Uriah the priest; and with him *was*
Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and with them *was* Jozabad the son of Jeshua, and Noadiah
the son of Binnui, Levites;
34 By number *and* by weight of every one: and all the weight was written at that time.
35 *Also* the children of those that had been carried away, which were come out of the
captivity, offered burnt offerings unto the God of Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel,
ninety and six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he goats *for* a sin offering: all *this*
was a burnt offering unto the LORD.
36 ¶ And they delivered the king's commissions unto the king's lieutenants, and to the
governors on this side the river: and they furthered the people, and the house of God.

9

1 Now when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying, The people of
Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the people of
the lands, *doing* according to their abominations, *even* of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the
Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.
2 For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons: so that the
holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of *those* lands: yea, the hand of the
princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.

§ **8:17** I told...: Heb. I put words in their mouth ** **8:27** fine...: Heb. yellow, or, shining brass †† **8:27** precious: Heb. desirable

3 And when I heard this thing, I rent my garment and my mantle, and plucked off the hair
of my head and of my beard, and sat down astonied.
4 Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel,
because of the transgression of those that had been carried away; and I sat astonied until
the evening sacrifice.
5 ¶ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and having rent my
garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the LORD
my God,*
6 And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our
iniquities are increased over *our* head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens.†
7 Since the days of our fathers *have* we *been* in a great trespass unto this day; and for our
iniquities have we, our kings, *and* our priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of
the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as *it is* this day.
8 And now for a little space grace hath been *shewed* from the LORD our God, to leave us
a remnant to escape, and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten our
eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage.‡§
9 For we *were* bondmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but hath
extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up
the house of our God, and to repair the desolations thereof, and to give us a wall in Judah
and in Jerusalem.**
10 And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken thy
commandments,
11 Which thou hast commanded by thy servants the prophets, saying, The land, unto
which ye go to possess it, is an unclean land with the filthiness of the people of the
lands, with their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another with their
uncleanness.††‡‡
12 Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters
unto your sons, nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and
eat the good of the land, and leave *it* for an inheritance to your children for ever.
13 And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great trespass, seeing
that thou our God hast punished us less than our iniquities *deserve*, and hast given us *such*
deliverance as this;§§
14 Should we again break thy commandments, and join in affinity with the people of
these abominations? wouldest not thou be angry with us till thou hadst consumed *us*, so
that *there should be* no remnant nor escaping?
15 O LORD God of Israel, thou *art* righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as *it is* this day:
behold, we *are* before thee in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before thee because of
this.

10

1 Now when Ezra had prayed, and when he had confessed, weeping and casting himself
down before the house of God, there assembled unto him out of Israel a very great
congregation of men and women and children: for the people wept very sore.*
2 And Shechaniah the son of Jehiel, *one* of the sons of Elam, answered and said unto Ezra,
We have trespassed against our God, and have taken strange wives of the people of the
land: yet now there is hope in Israel concerning this thing.
3 Now therefore let us make a covenant with our God to put away all the wives, and such
as are born of them, according to the counsel of my lord, and of those that tremble at the
commandment of our God; and let it be done according to the law.†
4 Arise; for *this* matter *belongeth* unto thee: we also *will be* with thee: be of good courage,
and do *it*.
5 Then arose Ezra, and made the chief priests, the Levites, and all Israel, to swear that
they should do according to this word. And they sware.
6 ¶ Then Ezra rose up from before the house of God, and went into the chamber of
Johanan the son of Eliashib: and *when* he came thither, he did eat no bread, nor drink
water: for he mourned because of the transgression of them that had been carried away.

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* **9:5** heaviness: or, affliction † **9:6** trespass: or, guiltiness ‡ **9:8** space: Heb. moment § **9:8** a nail: or, a pin: that is, a constant and sure abode ** **9:9** to repair: Heb. to set up †† **9:11** by: Heb. by the hand of ‡‡ **9:11** from...: Heb. from mouth to mouth §§ **9:13** hast punished...: Heb. hast withheld beneath our iniquities * **10:1** wept...: Heb. wept a great weeping † **10:3** to put...: Heb. to bring forth

7 And they made proclamation throughout Judah and Jerusalem unto all the children of
the captivity, that they should gather themselves together unto Jerusalem;
8 And that whosoever would not come within three days, according to the counsel of the
princes and the elders, all his substance should be forfeited, and himself separated from
the congregation of those that had been carried away.‡
9 ¶ Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto
Jerusalem within three days. It *was* the ninth month, on the twentieth *day* of the month;
and all the people sat in the street of the house of God, trembling because of *this* matter,
and for the great rain.§
10 And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, Ye have transgressed, and have taken
strange wives, to increase the trespass of Israel.**
11 Now therefore make confession unto the LORD God of your fathers, and do his
pleasure: and separate yourselves from the people of the land, and from the strange wives.
12 Then all the congregation answered and said with a loud voice, As thou hast said, so
must we do.
13 But the people *are* many, and *it is* a time of much rain, and we are not able to stand
without, neither *is this* a work of one day or two: for we are many that have transgressed
in this thing.††
14 Let now our rulers of all the congregation stand, and let all them which have taken
strange wives in our cities come at appointed times, and with them the elders of every city,
and the judges thereof, until the fierce wrath of our God for this matter be turned from
us.‡‡
15 ¶ Only Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahaziah the son of Tikvah were employed about
this *matter:* and Meshullam and Shabbethai the Levite helped them.§§
16 And the children of the captivity did so. And Ezra the priest, *with* certain chief of the
fathers, after the house of their fathers, and all of them by *their* names, were separated,
and sat down in the first day of the tenth month to examine the matter.
17 And they made an end with all the men that had taken strange wives by the first day
of the first month.
18 ¶ And among the sons of the priests there were found that had taken strange wives:
namely, of the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren; Maaseiah, and Eliezer,
and Jarib, and Gedaliah.
19 And they gave their hands that they would put away their wives; and *being* guilty, *they
offered* a ram of the flock for their trespass.
20 And of the sons of Immer; Hanani, and Zebadiah.
21 And of the sons of Harim; Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah, and Jehiel, and Uzziah.
22 And of the sons of Pashur; Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael, Nethaneel, Jozabad, and
Elasah.
23 Also of the Levites; Jozabad, and Shimei, and Kelaiah, (the same *is* Kelita,) Pethahiah,
Judah, and Eliezer.
24 Of the singers also; Eliashib: and of the porters; Shallum, and Telem, and Uri.
25 Moreover of Israel: of the sons of Parosh; Ramiah, and Jeziah, and Malchiah, and
Miamin, and Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah.
26 And of the sons of Elam; Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and Abdi, and Jeremoth,
and Eliah.
27 And of the sons of Zattu; Elioenai, Eliashib, Mattaniah, and Jeremoth, and Zabad, and
Aziza.
28 Of the sons also of Bebai; Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, *and* Athlai.
29 And of the sons of Bani; Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub, and Sheal, and
Ramoth.
30 And of the sons of Pahath-moab; Adna, and Chelal, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattaniah,
Bezaleel, and Binnui, and Manasseh.
31 And *of* the sons of Harim; Eliezer, Ishijah, Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon,
32 Benjamin, Malluch, *and* Shemariah.
33 Of the sons of Hashum; Mattenai, Mattathah, Zabad, Eliphelet, Jeremai, Manasseh, *and*
Shimei.
34 Of the sons of Bani; Maadai, Amram, and Uel,

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‡ **10:8** forfeited: Heb. devoted § **10:9** the great...: Heb. the showers ** **10:10** have taken: Heb. have caused to dwell, or, have brought back †† **10:13** we are many...: or, we have greatly offended in this thing ‡‡ **10:14** for this...: or, till this matter be dispatched §§ **10:15** were...: Heb. stood

35 Benaiah, Bedeiah, Chelluh,
36 Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib,
37 Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Jaasau,
38 And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei,
39 And Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah,
40 Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai,***
41 Azareel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah,
42 Shallum, Amariah, *and* Joseph.
43 Of the sons of Nebo; Jeiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Jadau, and Joel, Benaiah.
44 All these had taken strange wives: and *some* of them had wives by whom they had children.

*** **10:40** Machnadebai: or, Mabnadebai, according to some copies

The Book of Nehemiah

1 The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass in the month Chisleu,
in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the palace,
2 That Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and *certain* men of Judah; and I asked them
concerning the Jews that had escaped, which were left of the captivity, and concerning
Jerusalem.
3 And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province
are in great affliction and reproach: the wall of Jerusalem also *is* broken down, and the
gates thereof are burned with fire.
4 ¶ And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned
certain days, and fasted, and prayed before the God of heaven,
5 And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth
covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:
6 Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer
of thy servant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the children of Israel thy
servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against thee:
both I and my father's house have sinned.
7 We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have not kept the commandments, nor
the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou commandedst thy servant Moses.
8 Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy servant Moses, saying,
If ye transgress, I will scatter you abroad among the nations:
9 But *if* ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were
of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, *yet* will I gather them from thence,
and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name there.
10 Now these *are* thy servants and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great
power, and by thy strong hand.
11 O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant,
and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee,
thy servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was the king's
cupbearer.

2

1 And it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king,
that wine *was* before him: and I took up the wine, and gave *it* unto the king. Now I had not
been *beforetime* sad in his presence.
2 Wherefore the king said unto me, Why *is* thy countenance sad, seeing thou *art* not sick?
this *is* nothing *else* but sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid,
3 And said unto the king, Let the king live for ever: why should not my countenance be
sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, *lieth* waste, and the gates thereof
are consumed with fire?
4 Then the king said unto me, For what dost thou make request? So I prayed to the God
of heaven.
5 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in
thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres,
that I may build it.
6 And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy
journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a
time.*
7 Moreover I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters be given me to the
governors beyond the river, that they may convey me over till I come into Judah;
8 And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to
make beams for the gates of the palace which *appertained* to the house, and for the wall of
the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me, according to the
good hand of my God upon me.
9 ¶ Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king's letters. Now
the king had sent captains of the army and horsemen with me.

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* **2:6** queen: Heb. wife

10 When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard *of it*, it
grieved them exceedingly that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of
Israel.
11 So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days.
12 ¶ And I arose in the night, I and some few men with me; neither told I *any* man what
my God had put in my heart to do at Jerusalem: neither *was there any* beast with me, save
the beast that I rode upon.
13 And I went out by night by the gate of the valley, even before the dragon well, and to
the dung port, and viewed the walls of Jerusalem, which were broken down, and the gates
thereof were consumed with fire.
14 Then I went on to the gate of the fountain, and to the king's pool: but *there was* no place
for the beast *that was* under me to pass.
15 Then went I up in the night by the brook, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and
entered by the gate of the valley, and *so* returned.
16 And the rulers knew not whither I went, or what I did; neither had I as yet told *it* to
the Jews, nor to the priests, nor to the nobles, nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that did the
work.
17 ¶ Then said I unto them, Ye see the distress that we *are* in, how Jerusalem *lieth* waste,
and the gates thereof are burned with fire: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem,
that we be no more a reproach.
18 Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's
words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they
strengthened their hands for *this* good *work*.
19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem
the Arabian, heard *it*, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What *is* this thing
that ye do? will ye rebel against the king?
20 Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us;
therefore we his servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor
memorial, in Jerusalem.

3

1 Then Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the priests, and they builded the
sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set up the doors of it; even unto the tower of Meah they
sanctified it, unto the tower of Hananeel.
2 And next unto him builded the men of Jericho. And next to them builded Zaccur the
son of Imri.*
3 But the fish gate did the sons of Hassenaah build, who *also* laid the beams thereof, and
set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.
4 And next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of Koz. And next
unto them repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah, the son of Meshezabeel. And next
unto them repaired Zadok the son of Baana.
5 And next unto them the Tekoites repaired; but their nobles put not their necks to the
work of their Lord.
6 Moreover the old gate repaired Jehoiada the son of Paseah, and Meshullam the son of
Besodeiah; they laid the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, and the locks thereof,
and the bars thereof.
7 And next unto them repaired Melatiah the Gibeonite, and Jadon the Meronothite, the
men of Gibeon, and of Mizpah, unto the throne of the governor on this side the river.
8 Next unto him repaired Uzziel the son of Harhaiah, of the goldsmiths. Next unto him
also repaired Hananiah the son of *one of* the apothecaries, and they fortified Jerusalem
unto the broad wall.†
9 And next unto them repaired Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ruler of the half part of
Jerusalem.
10 And next unto them repaired Jedaiah the son of Harumaph, even over against his
house. And next unto him repaired Hattush the son of Hashabniah.
11 Malchijah the son of Harim, and Hashub the son of Pahath-moab, repaired the other
piece, and the tower of the furnaces.‡
12 And next unto him repaired Shallum the son of Halohesh, the ruler of the half part of
Jerusalem, he and his daughters.

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* **3:2** next unto...: Heb. at his hand † **3:8** fortified...: or, left Jerusalem unto the broad wall ‡ **3:11** other...: Heb. second measure

13 The valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of Zanoah; they built it, and set
up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and a thousand cubits on the
wall unto the dung gate.
14 But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the son of Rechab, the ruler of part of Beth-
haccerem; he built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.
15 But the gate of the fountain repaired Shallun the son of Col-hozeh, the ruler of part of
Mizpah; he built it, and covered it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the
bars thereof, and the wall of the pool of Siloah by the king's garden, and unto the stairs that
go down from the city of David.
16 After him repaired Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ruler of the half part of Beth-zur,
unto *the place* over against the sepulchres of David, and to the pool that was made, and
unto the house of the mighty.
17 After him repaired the Levites, Rehum the son of Bani. Next unto him repaired
Hashabiah, the ruler of the half part of Keilah, in his part.
18 After him repaired their brethren, Bavai the son of Henadad, the ruler of the half part
of Keilah.
19 And next to him repaired Ezer the son of Jeshua, the ruler of Mizpah, another piece
over against the going up to the armoury at the turning *of the wall*.
20 After him Baruch the son of Zabbai earnestly repaired the other piece, from the
turning *of the wall* unto the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest.§
21 After him repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of Koz another piece, from the
door of the house of Eliashib even to the end of the house of Eliashib.
22 And after him repaired the priests, the men of the plain.
23 After him repaired Benjamin and Hashub over against their house. After him repaired
Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah by his house.
24 After him repaired Binnui the son of Henadad another piece, from the house of
Azariah unto the turning *of the wall*, even unto the corner.
25 Palal the son of Uzai, over against the turning *of the wall*, and the tower which lieth out
from the king's high house, that *was* by the court of the prison. After him Pedaiah the son
of Parosh.
26 Moreover the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel, unto *the place* over against the water gate
toward the east, and the tower that lieth out.**††
27 After them the Tekoites repaired another piece, over against the great tower that lieth
out, even unto the wall of Ophel.
28 From above the horse gate repaired the priests, every one over against his house.
29 After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer over against his house. After him
repaired also Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of the east gate.
30 After him repaired Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun the sixth son of
Zalaph, another piece. After him repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah over against
his chamber.
31 After him repaired Malchiah the goldsmith's son unto the place of the Nethinims, and
of the merchants, over against the gate Miphkad, and to the going up of the corner.‡‡
32 And between the going up of the corner unto the sheep gate repaired the goldsmiths
and the merchants.§§

4

1 But it came to pass, that when Sanballat heard that we builded the wall, he was wroth,
and took great indignation, and mocked the Jews.
2 And he spake before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, What do these
feeble Jews? will they fortify themselves? will they sacrifice? will they make an end in a
day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned?*
3 Now Tobiah the Ammonite *was* by him, and he said, Even that which they build, if a fox
go up, he shall even break down their stone wall.
4 Hear, O our God; for we are despised: and turn their reproach upon their own head,
and give them for a prey in the land of captivity:†
5 And cover not their iniquity, and let not their sin be blotted out from before thee: for
they have provoked *thee* to anger before the builders.

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§ **3:20** Zabbai: also called, Zaccai ** **3:26** dwelt...: or, which dwelt in Ophel, repaired unto †† **3:26** Ophel: or, tower ‡‡ **3:31** going...: or, corner chamber §§ **3:32** going...: or, corner chamber * **4:2** fortify...: Heb. leave to themselves † **4:4** despised: Heb. despite

6 So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the
people had a mind to work.
7 ¶ But it came to pass, *that* when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the
Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem were made up, *and* that
the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth, ‡
8 And conspired all of them together to come *and* to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder
it.§
9 Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and
night, because of them.
10 And Judah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and *there is* much
rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall.
11 And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come in the midst
among them, and slay them, and cause the work to cease.
12 And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us
ten times, From all places whence ye shall return unto us *they will be upon you.***
13 ¶ Therefore set I in the lower places behind the wall, *and* on the higher places, I even
set the people after their families with their swords, their spears, and their bows.††
14 And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of
the people, Be not ye afraid of them: remember the Lord, *which is* great and terrible, and
fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses.
15 And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had
brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his
work.
16 And it came to pass from that time forth, *that* the half of my servants wrought in the
work, and the other half of them held both the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the
habergeons; and the rulers *were* behind all the house of Judah.
17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded,
every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other *hand* held a
weapon.
18 For the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and *so* builded. And he
that sounded the trumpet *was* by me.‡‡
19 ¶ And I said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, The work
is great and large, and we are separated upon the wall, one far from another.
20 In what place *therefore* ye hear the sound of the trumpet, resort ye thither unto us: our
God shall fight for us.
21 So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears from the rising of the
morning till the stars appeared.
22 Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let every one with his servant lodge
within Jerusalem, that in the night they may be a guard to us, and labour on the day.
23 So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my servants, nor the men of the guard which
followed me, none of us put off our clothes, *saving that* every one put them off for
washing.§§

5

1 And there was a great cry of the people and of their wives against their brethren the
Jews.
2 For there were that said, We, our sons, and our daughters, *are* many: therefore we take
up corn *for them*, that we may eat, and live.
3 *Some* also there were that said, We have mortgaged our lands, vineyards, and houses,
that we might buy corn, because of the dearth.
4 There were also that said, We have borrowed money for the king's tribute, *and that
upon* our lands and vineyards.
5 Yet now our flesh *is* as the flesh of our brethren, our children as their children: and,
lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our daughters to be servants, and *some* of our
daughters are brought unto bondage *already:* neither *is it* in our power *to redeem them;*
for other men have our lands and vineyards.
6 ¶ And I was very angry when I heard their cry and these words.

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‡ **4:7** were made up: Heb. ascended § **4:8** to hinder...: Heb. to make an error to it ** **4:12** From all...: or, That from all places ye must return to us †† **4:13** in the...: Heb. from the lower parts of the place, etc ‡‡ **4:18** by his side: Heb. on his loins §§ **4:23** saving...: or, every one went with his weapon for water

7 Then I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles, and the rulers, and said unto
them, Ye exact usury, every one of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them.*
8 And I said unto them, We after our ability have redeemed our brethren the Jews, which
were sold unto the heathen; and will ye even sell your brethren? or shall they be sold unto
us? Then held they their peace, and found nothing *to answer*.
9 Also I said, It *is* not good that ye do: ought ye not to walk in the fear of our God because
of the reproach of the heathen our enemies?
10 I likewise, *and* my brethren, and my servants, might exact of them money and corn: I
pray you, let us leave off this usury.
11 Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their
oliveyards, and their houses, also the hundredth *part* of the money, and of the corn, the
wine, and the oil, that ye exact of them.
12 Then said they, We will restore *them*, and will require nothing of them; so will we do
as thou sayest. Then I called the priests, and took an oath of them, that they should do
according to this promise.
13 Also I shook my lap, and said, So God shake out every man from his house, and from his
labour, that performeth not this promise, even thus be he shaken out, and emptied. And
all the congregation said, Amen, and praised the LORD. And the people did according to
this promise.†
14 ¶ Moreover from the time that I was appointed to be their governor in the land of
Judah, from the twentieth year even unto the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes the king,
that is, twelve years, I and my brethren have not eaten the bread of the governor.
15 But the former governors that *had been* before me were chargeable unto the people,
and had taken of them bread and wine, beside forty shekels of silver; yea, even their
servants bare rule over the people: but so did not I, because of the fear of God.
16 Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought we any land: and all my
servants *were* gathered thither unto the work.
17 Moreover *there were* at my table an hundred and fifty of the Jews and rulers, beside
those that came unto us from among the heathen that *are* about us.
18 Now *that* which was prepared *for me* daily *was* one ox *and* six choice sheep; also
fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days store of all sorts of wine: yet for all this
required not I the bread of the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this people.
19 Think upon me, my God, for good, *according* to all that I have done for this people.

6

1 Now it came to pass, when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the Arabian, and the
rest of our enemies, heard that I had builded the wall, and *that* there was no breach left
therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;)
2 That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in *some
one of* the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief.
3 And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I *am* doing a great work, so that I cannot come
down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?
4 Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same
manner.
5 Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an open
letter in his hand;
6 Wherein *was* written, It is reported among the heathen, and Gashmu saith *it, that* thou
and the Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou mayest be
their king, according to these words.*
7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, *There is*
a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come
now therefore, and let us take counsel together.
8 Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou
feignest them out of thine own heart.
9 For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that
it be not done. Now therefore, *O God*, strengthen my hands.
10 Afterward I came unto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabeel,
who *was* shut up; and he said, Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple,

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* **5:7** I consulted...: Heb. my heart consulted in me † **5:13** emptied: Heb. empty, or, void * **6:6** Gashmu: also called, Geshem

and let us shut the doors of the temple: for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will
they come to slay thee.
11 And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who *is there*, that, *being* as I *am*, would go
into the temple to save his life? I will not go in.
12 And, lo, I perceived that God had not sent him; but that he pronounced this prophecy
against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him.
13 Therefore *was* he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and *that* they might
have *matter* for an evil report, that they might reproach me.
14 My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on
the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear.
15 ¶ So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth *day* of *the month* Elul, in fifty and two
days.
16 And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard *thereof*, and all the heathen that
were about us saw *these things*, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they
perceived that this work was wrought of our God.
17 ¶ Moreover in those days the nobles of Judah sent many letters unto Tobiah, and *the*
letters of Tobiah came unto them.†
18 For *there were* many in Judah sworn unto him, because he *was* the son in law of
Shechaniah the son of Arah; and his son Johanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam
the son of Berechiah.
19 Also they reported his good deeds before me, and uttered my words to him. *And* Tobiah
sent letters to put me in fear.‡

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1 Now it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had set up the doors, and the porters
and the singers and the Levites were appointed,
2 That I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler of the palace, charge over
Jerusalem: for he *was* a faithful man, and feared God above many.
3 And I said unto them, Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun be hot;
and while they stand by, let them shut the doors, and bar *them:* and appoint watches of
the inhabitants of Jerusalem, every one in his watch, and every one *to be* over against his
house.
4 Now the city *was* large and great: but the people *were* few therein, and the houses *were*
not builded.*
5 ¶ And my God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the
people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy. And I found a register of the genealogy
of them which came up at the first, and found written therein,
6 These *are* the children of the province, that went up out of the captivity, of those that
had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away, and
came again to Jerusalem and to Judah, every one unto his city;
7 Who came with Zerubbabel, Jeshua, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number, *I say*, of the men of the
people of Israel *was this;*†
8 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.
9 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.
10 The children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two.
11 The children of Pahath-moab, of the children of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand and
eight hundred *and* eighteen.
12 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.
13 The children of Zattu, eight hundred forty and five.
14 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.
15 The children of Binnui, six hundred forty and eight.‡
16 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight.
17 The children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two.
18 The children of Adonikam, six hundred threescore and seven.
19 The children of Bigvai, two thousand threescore and seven.
20 The children of Adin, six hundred fifty and five.
21 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.
22 The children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.

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† **6:17** sent...: Heb. multiplied their letters passing to Tobiah ‡ **6:19** words: or, matters * **7:4** large: Heb. broad in spaces † **7:7** Azariah: also called, Seraiah ‡ **7:15** Binnui: also called, Bani

23 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and four.
24 The children of Hariph, an hundred and twelve.§
25 The children of Gibeon, ninety and five.**
26 The men of Beth-lehem and Netophah, an hundred fourscore and eight.
27 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.
28 The men of Beth-azmaveth, forty and two.††
29 The men of Kirjath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred forty and three.‡‡
30 The men of Ramah and Geba, six hundred twenty and one.
31 The men of Michmas, an hundred and twenty and two.
32 The men of Beth-el and Ai, an hundred twenty and three.
33 The men of the other Nebo, fifty and two.
34 The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.
35 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.
36 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.
37 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and one.
38 The children of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.
39 ¶ The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.
40 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.
41 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.
42 The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.
43 ¶ The Levites: the children of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, *and* of the children of Hodevah, seventy and four.§§
44 ¶ The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight.
45 ¶ The porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight.
46 ¶ The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the children of Tabbaoth,
47 The children of Keros, the children of Sia, the children of Padon,
48 The children of Lebana, the children of Hagaba, the children of Shalmai,
49 The children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar,
50 The children of Reaiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda,
51 The children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Phaseah,
52 The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of Nephishesim,
53 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,
54 The children of Bazlith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,
55 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Tamah,
56 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.
57 ¶ The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of Perida,
58 The children of Jaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,
59 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of Amon.***
60 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.
61 And these *were* they which went up *also* from Tel-melah, Tel-haresha, Cherub, Addon, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, nor their seed, whether they *were* of Israel.†††
62 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred forty and two.
63 ¶ And of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai, which took *one* of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.
64 These sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogy, but it was not found: therefore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.

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§ **7:24** Hariph: also called, Jora ** **7:25** Gibeon: also called, Gibbar †† **7:28** Beth-azmaveth: also called, Azmaveth ‡‡ **7:29** Kirjath-jearim: also called, Kirjath-arim §§ **7:43** Hodevah: also called, Hodaviah or Judah *** **7:59** Amon: also called, Ami ††† **7:61** seed: or, pedigree

65 And the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till
there stood *up* a priest with Urim and Thummim.‡‡‡
66 ¶ The whole congregation together *was* forty and two thousand three hundred and
threescore,
67 Beside their manservants and their maidservants, of whom *there were* seven thousand
three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and
singing women.
68 Their horses, seven hundred thirty and six: their mules, two hundred forty and five:
69 *Their* camels, four hundred thirty and five: six thousand seven hundred and twenty
asses.
70 ¶ And some of the chief of the fathers gave unto the work. The Tirshatha gave
to the treasure a thousand drams of gold, fifty basons, five hundred and thirty priests'
garments.§§§*
71 And *some* of the chief of the fathers gave to the treasure of the work twenty thousand
drams of gold, and two thousand and two hundred pound of silver.
72 And *that* which the rest of the people gave *was* twenty thousand drams of gold, and
two thousand pound of silver, and threescore and seven priests' garments.
73 So the priests, and the Levites, and the porters, and the singers, and *some* of the people,
and the Nethinims, and all Israel, dwelt in their cities; and when the seventh month came,
the children of Israel *were* in their cities.

8

1 And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that *was*
before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of
Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.
2 And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women,
and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month.*
3 And he read therein before the street that *was* before the water gate from the morning
until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the
ears of all the people *were attentive* unto the book of the law.†
4 And Ezra the scribe stood upon a pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose;
and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and
Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah,
and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, *and* Meshullam.‡
5 And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;)
and when he opened it, all the people stood up:§
6 And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen,
with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with
their faces to the ground.
7 Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah,
Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the people to understand
the law: and the people *stood* in their place.
8 So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused
them to understand the reading.
9 ¶ And Nehemiah, which *is* the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites
that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day *is* holy unto the LORD your God;
mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.**
10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send
portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this* day *is* holy unto our Lord:
neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.
11 So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day *is* holy; neither
be ye grieved.
12 And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to
make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.
13 ¶ And on the second day were gathered together the chief of the fathers of all the
people, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra the scribe, even to understand the words
of the law.††

‡‡‡ **7:65** the Tirshatha: or, the governor §§§ **7:70** some: Heb. part. * **7:70** The Tirshatha: or, the governor * **8:2** that...: Heb. that understood in hearing † **8:3** from...: Heb. from the light ‡ **8:4** pulpit...: Heb. tower of wood § **8:5** sight: Heb. eyes ** **8:9** the Tirshatha: or, the governor †† **8:13** to understand...: or, that they might instruct in the words of the law

14 And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded by Moses, that the
children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:‡‡
15 And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem,
saying, Go forth unto the mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle
branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as *it is* written.
16 ¶ So the people went forth, and brought *them*, and made themselves booths, every one
upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and
in the street of the water gate, and in the street of the gate of Ephraim.
17 And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity made
booths, and sat under the booths: for since the days of Jeshua the son of Nun unto that
day had not the children of Israel done so. And there was very great gladness.
18 Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of
God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day *was* a solemn assembly,
according unto the manner.§§

9

1 Now in the twenty and fourth day of this month the children of Israel were assembled
with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth upon them.
2 And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all strangers, and stood and confessed
their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers.*
3 And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of the LORD their God
one fourth part of the day; and *another* fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the
LORD their God.
4 ¶ Then stood up upon the stairs, of the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah,
Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, *and* Chenani, and cried with a loud voice unto the LORD their God.†
5 Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Sheba-
niah, *and* Pethahiah, said, Stand up *and* bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and
blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.
6 Thou, *even* thou, *art* LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with
all their host, the earth, and all *things* that *are* therein, the seas, and all that *is* therein, and
thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.
7 Thou *art* the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram, and broughtest him forth out of
Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of Abraham;
8 And foundest his heart faithful before thee, and madest a covenant with him to give
the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites,
and the Girgashites, to give *it, I say*, to his seed, and hast performed thy words; for thou *art*
righteous:
9 And didst see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heardest their cry by the Red
sea;
10 And shewedst signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and on all the
people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt proudly against them. So didst thou
get thee a name, as *it is* this day.
11 And thou didst divide the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the
sea on the dry land; and their persecutors thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the
mighty waters.
12 Moreover thou leddest them in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in the night by a pillar
of fire, to give them light in the way wherein they should go.
13 Thou camest down also upon mount Sinai, and spakest with them from heaven, and
gavest them right judgments, and true laws, good statutes and commandments:‡
14 And madest known unto them thy holy sabbath, and commandedst them precepts,
statutes, and laws, by the hand of Moses thy servant:
15 And gavest them bread from heaven for their hunger, and broughtest forth water for
them out of the rock for their thirst, and promisedst them that they should go in to possess
the land which thou hadst sworn to give them.§
16 But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks, and hearkened not
to thy commandments,
17 And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them;
but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their

‡‡ **8:14** by: Heb. by the hand of §§ **8:18** a solemn...: Heb. a restraint * **9:2** strangers: Heb. strange children † **9:4** stairs: or, scaffold ‡ **9:13** true...: Heb. laws of truth § **9:15** which...: Heb. which thou hadst lift up thine hand to give them

bondage: but thou *art* a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and
of great kindness, and forsookest them not.**
18 Yea, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This *is* thy God that brought
thee up out of Egypt, and had wrought great provocations;
19 Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wilderness: the pillar of
the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire
by night, to shew them light, and the way wherein they should go.
20 Thou gavest also thy good spirit to instruct them, and withheldest not thy manna from
their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst.
21 Yea, forty years didst thou sustain them in the wilderness, *so that* they lacked nothing;
their clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not.
22 Moreover thou gavest them kingdoms and nations, and didst divide them into corners:
so they possessed the land of Sihon, and the land of the king of Heshbon, and the land of
Og king of Bashan.
23 Their children also multipliedst thou as the stars of heaven, and broughtest them into
the land, concerning which thou hadst promised to their fathers, that they should go in to
possess *it*.
24 So the children went in and possessed the land, and thou subduedst before them the
inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gavest them into their hands, with their kings,
and the people of the land, that they might do with them as they would.††
25 And they took strong cities, and a fat land, and possessed houses full of all goods, wells
digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were
filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in thy great goodness.‡‡§§
26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind
their backs, and slew thy prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and
they wrought great provocations.
27 Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and
in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto thee, thou heardest *them* from heaven;
and according to thy manifold mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of
the hand of their enemies.
28 But after they had rest, they did evil again before thee: therefore leftest thou them
in the hand of their enemies, so that they had the dominion over them: yet when they
returned, and cried unto thee, thou heardest *them* from heaven; and many times didst
thou deliver them according to thy mercies;***
29 And testifiedst against them, that thou mightest bring them again unto thy law: yet
they dealt proudly, and hearkened not unto thy commandments, but sinned against thy
judgments, (which if a man do, he shall live in them;) and withdrew the shoulder, and
hardened their neck, and would not hear.†††
30 Yet many years didst thou forbear them, and testifiedst against them by thy spirit in
thy prophets: yet would they not give ear: therefore gavest thou them into the hand of the
people of the lands.‡‡‡§§§
31 Nevertheless for thy great mercies' sake thou didst not utterly consume them, nor
forsake them; for thou *art* a gracious and merciful God.
32 Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest
covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before thee, that hath come upon us,
on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers,
and on all thy people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day.*†
33 Howbeit thou *art* just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but we
have done wickedly:
34 Neither have our kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept thy law, nor
hearkened unto thy commandments and thy testimonies, wherewith thou didst testify
against them.
35 For they have not served thee in their kingdom, and in thy great goodness that thou
gavest them, and in the large and fat land which thou gavest before them, neither turned
they from their wicked works.

** **9:17** a God...: Heb. a God of pardons †† **9:24** as they...: Heb. according to their will ‡‡ **9:25** wells: or, cisterns §§ **9:25** fruit...: Heb. tree of food *** **9:28** they did...: Heb. they returned to do evil ††† **9:29** withdrew...: Heb. they gave a withdrawing shoulder ‡‡‡ **9:30** forbear...: Heb. protract over them §§§ **9:30** in thy...: Heb. in the hand of thy prophets * **9:32** trouble: Heb. weariness † **9:32** that...: Heb. that hath found us

36 Behold, we *are* servants this day, and *for* the land that thou gavest unto our fathers to
eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof, behold, we *are* servants in it:
37 And it yieldeth much increase unto the kings whom thou hast set over us because of
our sins: also they have dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure,
and we *are* in great distress.
38 And because of all this we make a sure *covenant*, and write *it;* and our princes, Levites,
and priests, seal *unto it*.‡

10

1 Now those that sealed *were*, Nehemiah, the Tirshatha, the son of Hachaliah, and
Zidkijah,*†
2 Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah,
3 Pashur, Amariah, Malchijah,
4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,
5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,
6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,
7 Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,
8 Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these *were* the priests.
9 And the Levites: both Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad,
Kadmiel;
10 And their brethren, Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan,
11 Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah,
12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
13 Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.
14 The chief of the people; Parosh, Pahath-moab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,
15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
16 Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin,
17 Ater, Hizkijah, Azzur,
18 Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai,
19 Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,
20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,
21 Meshezabeel, Zadok, Jaddua,
22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,
24 Hallohesh, Pileha, Shobek,
25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
26 And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,
27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.
28 ¶ And the rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the porters, the singers, the
Nethinims, and all they that had separated themselves from the people of the lands unto
the law of God, their wives, their sons, and their daughters, every one having knowledge,
and having understanding;
29 They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an oath,
to walk in God's law, which was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do
all the commandments of the LORD our Lord, and his judgments and his statutes;‡
30 And that we would not give our daughters unto the people of the land, nor take their
daughters for our sons:
31 And *if* the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the sabbath day to sell, *that*
we would not buy it of them on the sabbath, or on the holy day: and *that* we would leave
the seventh year, and the exaction of every debt.§
32 Also we made ordinances for us, to charge ourselves yearly with the third part of a
shekel for the service of the house of our God;
33 For the shewbread, and for the continual meat offering, and for the continual burnt
offering, of the sabbaths, of the new moons, for the set feasts, and for the holy *things*, and
for the sin offerings to make an atonement for Israel, and *for* all the work of the house of
our God.
34 And we cast the lots among the priests, the Levites, and the people, for the wood
offering, to bring *it* into the house of our God, after the houses of our fathers, at times

‡ **9:38** seal: Heb. are at the sealing, or, sealed * **10:1** those...: Heb. at the sealings † **10:1** the Tirshatha: or, the governor ‡ **10:29** by: Heb. by the hand of § **10:31** every...: Heb. every hand

appointed year by year, to burn upon the altar of the LORD our God, as *it is* written in the law:
35 And to bring the firstfruits of our ground, and the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, year by year, unto the house of the LORD:
36 Also the firstborn of our sons, and of our cattle, as *it is* written in the law, and the firstlings of our herds and of our flocks, to bring to the house of our God, unto the priests that minister in the house of our God:
37 And *that* we should bring the firstfruits of our dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees, of wine and of oil, unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites, that the same Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.
38 And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure house.
39 For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil, unto the chambers, where *are* the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God.

11

1 And the rulers of the people dwelt at Jerusalem: the rest of the people also cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in Jerusalem the holy city, and nine parts *to dwell* in *other* cities.
2 And the people blessed all the men, that willingly offered themselves to dwell at Jerusalem.
3 ¶ Now these *are* the chief of the province that dwelt in Jerusalem: but in the cities of Judah dwelt every one in his possession in their cities, *to wit*, Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants.
4 And at Jerusalem dwelt *certain* of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin. Of the children of Judah; Athaiah the son of Uzziah, the son of Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son of Shephatiah, the son of Mahalaleel, of the children of Perez;*
5 And Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Col-hozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son of Shiloni.
6 All the sons of Perez that dwelt at Jerusalem *were* four hundred threescore and eight valiant men.
7 And these *are* the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Joed, the son of Pedaiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of Maaseiah, the son of Ithiel, the son of Jesaiah.
8 And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine hundred twenty and eight.
9 And Joel the son of Zichri *was* their overseer: and Judah the son of Senuah *was* second over the city.
10 Of the priests: Jedaiah the son of Joiarib, Jachin.
11 Seraiah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, *was* the ruler of the house of God.
12 And their brethren that did the work of the house *were* eight hundred twenty and two: and Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchiah,
13 And his brethren, chief of the fathers, two hundred forty and two: and Amashai the son of Azareel, the son of Ahasai, the son of Meshillemoth, the son of Immer,
14 And their brethren, mighty men of valour, an hundred twenty and eight: and their overseer *was* Zabdiel, the son of *one of* the great men.†
15 Also of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hashub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni;
16 And Shabbethai and Jozabad, of the chief of the Levites, *had* the oversight of the outward business of the house of God.‡
17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, *was* the principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun.
18 All the Levites in the holy city *were* two hundred fourscore and four.
19 Moreover the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that kept the gates, *were* an hundred seventy and two.§

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* **11:4** Perez: also called, Pharez † **11:14** the son...: or, the son of Haggedolim ‡ **11:16** had...: Heb. were over § **11:19** the gates: Heb. at the gates

20 ¶ And the residue of Israel, of the priests, *and* the Levites, *were* in all the cities of Judah,
every one in his inheritance.
21 But the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel: and Ziha and Gispa *were* over the Nethinims.**
22 The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem *was* Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of
Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha. Of the sons of Asaph, the singers *were*
over the business of the house of God.
23 For *it was* the king's commandment concerning them, that a certain portion should be
for the singers, due for every day.††
24 And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabeel, of the children of Zerah the son of Judah, *was*
at the king's hand in all matters concerning the people.‡‡
25 And for the villages, with their fields, *some* of the children of Judah dwelt at Kirjath-
arba, and *in* the villages thereof, and at Dibon, and *in* the villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel,
and *in* the villages thereof,
26 And at Jeshua, and at Moladah, and at Beth-phelet,
27 And at Hazar-shual, and at Beer-sheba, and *in* the villages thereof,
28 And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and in the villages thereof,
29 And at En-rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth,
30 Zanoah, Adullam, and *in* their villages, at Lachish, and the fields thereof, at Azekah,
and *in* the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beer-sheba unto the valley of Hinnom.
31 The children also of Benjamin from Geba *dwelt* at Michmash, and Aija, and Beth-el,
and *in* their villages,§§***
32 *And* at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah,
33 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim,
34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,
35 Lod, and Ono, the valley of craftsmen.
36 And of the Levites *were* divisions *in* Judah, *and* in Benjamin.

12

1 Now these *are* the priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of
Shealtiel, and Jeshua: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra,
2 Amariah, Malluch, Hattush,*
3 Shechaniah, Rehum, Meremoth,†‡§
4 Iddo, Ginnetho, Abijah,**
5 Miamin, Maadiah, Bilgah,††‡‡
6 Shemaiah, and Joiarib, Jedaiah,
7 Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Jedaiah. These *were* the chief of the priests and of their brethren
in the days of Jeshua.§§
8 Moreover the Levites: Jeshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, *and* Mattaniah,
which was over the thanksgiving, he and his brethren.***
9 Also Bakbukiah and Unni, their brethren, *were* over against them in the watches.
10 ¶ And Jeshua begat Joiakim, Joiakim also begat Eliashib, and Eliashib begat Joiada,
11 And Joiada begat Jonathan, and Jonathan begat Jaddua.
12 And in the days of Joiakim were priests, the chief of the fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah;
of Jeremiah, Hananiah;
13 Of Ezra, Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehohanan;
14 Of Melicu, Jonathan; of Shebaniah, Joseph;
15 Of Harim, Adna; of Meraioth, Helkai;
16 Of Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Meshullam;
17 Of Abijah, Zichri; of Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai;
18 Of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah, Jehonathan;
19 And of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah, Uzzi;
20 Of Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber;
21 Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah; of Jedaiah, Nethaneel.

** **11:21** Ophel: or, the tower †† **11:23** a certain...: or, a sure ordinance ‡‡ **11:24** Zerah: also called, Zarah §§ **11:31** from: or, of *** **11:31** at: or, to * **12:2** Malluch: also called, Melicu † **12:3** Shechaniah: also called, Shebaniah ‡ **12:3** Rehum: also called, Harim § **12:3** Meremoth: also called, Meraioth ** **12:4** Ginnetho: also called, Ginnethon †† **12:5** Miamin: also called, Miniamin ‡‡ **12:5** Maadiah: also called, Moadiah §§ **12:7** Sallu: also called, Sallai *** **12:8** the thanksgiving: that is, the psalms of thanksgiving

22 ¶ The Levites in the days of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, *were* recorded
chief of the fathers: also the priests, to the reign of Darius the Persian.
23 The sons of Levi, the chief of the fathers, *were* written in the book of the chronicles,
even until the days of Johanan the son of Eliashib.
24 And the chief of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel,
with their brethren over against them, to praise *and* to give thanks, according to the
commandment of David the man of God, ward over against ward.
25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, *were* porters
keeping the ward at the thresholds of the gates.[†††]
26 These *were* in the days of Joiakim the son of Jeshua, the son of Jozadak, and in the days
of Nehemiah the governor, and of Ezra the priest, the scribe.
27 ¶ And at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem they sought the Levites out of all
their places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keep the dedication with gladness, both with
thanksgivings, and with singing, *with* cymbals, psalteries, and with harps.
28 And the sons of the singers gathered themselves together, both out of the plain country
round about Jerusalem, and from the villages of Netophathi;
29 Also from the house of Gilgal, and out of the fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the
singers had builded them villages round about Jerusalem.
30 And the priests and the Levites purified themselves, and purified the people, and the
gates, and the wall.
31 Then I brought up the princes of Judah upon the wall, and appointed two great
companies of them that gave thanks, *whereof one* went on the right hand upon the wall
toward the dung gate:
32 And after them went Hoshaiah, and half of the princes of Judah,
33 And Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam,
34 Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah, and Jeremiah,
35 And *certain* of the priests' sons with trumpets; *namely*, Zechariah the son of Jonathan,
the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son
of Asaph:
36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Judah,
Hanani, with the musical instruments of David the man of God, and Ezra the scribe before
them.
37 And at the fountain gate, which was over against them, they went up by the stairs of
the city of David, at the going up of the wall, above the house of David, even unto the water
gate eastward.
38 And the other *company of them that gave* thanks went over against *them*, and I after
them, and the half of the people upon the wall, from beyond the tower of the furnaces
even unto the broad wall;
39 And from above the gate of Ephraim, and above the old gate, and above the fish gate,
and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah, even unto the sheep gate: and they
stood still in the prison gate.
40 So stood the two *companies of them that gave* thanks in the house of God, and I, and the
half of the rulers with me:
41 And the priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, *and*
Hananiah, with trumpets;
42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah,
and Elam, and Ezer. And the singers sang loud, with Jezrahiah *their* overseer.[‡‡‡]
43 Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and rejoiced: for God had made them rejoice
with great joy: the wives also and the children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was
heard even afar off.
44 ¶ And at that time were some appointed over the chambers for the treasures, for the
offerings, for the firstfruits, and for the tithes, to gather into them out of the fields of the
cities the portions of the law for the priests and Levites: for Judah rejoiced for the priests
and for the Levites that waited.[§§§*†]
45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the
purification, according to the commandment of David, *and* of Solomon his son.
46 For in the days of David and Asaph of old *there were* chief of the singers, and songs of
praise and thanksgiving unto God.

[†††] **12:25** thresholds: or, treasuries, or, assemblies [‡‡‡] **12:42** sang...: Heb. made their voice to be heard [§§§] **12:44** of the law: that is, appointed by the law [*] **12:44** for Judah...: Heb. for the joy of Judah [†] **12:44** waited: Heb. stood

47 And all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of Nehemiah, gave the portions
of the singers and the porters, every day his portion: and they sanctified *holy things* unto
the Levites; and the Levites sanctified *them* unto the children of Aaron.‡

13

1 On that day they read in the book of Moses in the audience of the people; and
therein was found written, that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come into the
congregation of God for ever;*†
2 Because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired Balaam
against them, that he should curse them: howbeit our God turned the curse into a blessing.
3 Now it came to pass, when they had heard the law, that they separated from Israel all
the mixed multitude.
4 ¶ And before this, Eliashib the priest, having the oversight of the chamber of the house
of our God, *was* allied unto Tobiah:‡
5 And he had prepared for him a great chamber, where aforetime they laid the meat
offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the corn, the new wine, and
the oil, which was commanded *to be given* to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters;
and the offerings of the priests.§
6 But in all this *time* was not I at Jerusalem: for in the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes
king of Babylon came I unto the king, and after certain days obtained I leave of the king:**††
7 And I came to Jerusalem, and understood of the evil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in
preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God.
8 And it grieved me sore: therefore I cast forth all the household stuff of Tobiah out of the
chamber.
9 Then I commanded, and they cleansed the chambers: and thither brought I again the
vessels of the house of God, with the meat offering and the frankincense.
10 ¶ And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given *them:* for the
Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field.
11 Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And I
gathered them together, and set them in their place.‡‡
12 Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the
treasuries.§§
13 And I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe,
and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and next to them *was* Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of
Mattaniah: for they were counted faithful, and their office *was* to distribute unto their
brethren.***†††‡‡‡
14 Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my good deeds that I have
done for the house of my God, and for the offices thereof.§§§*
15 ¶ In those days saw I in Judah *some* treading wine presses on the sabbath, and bringing
in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all *manner of* burdens,
which they brought into Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified *against them* in the
day wherein they sold victuals.
16 There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and
sold on the sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem.
17 Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, What evil thing *is* this
that ye do, and profane the sabbath day?
18 Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon
this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the sabbath.
19 And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the
sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be
opened till after the sabbath: and *some* of my servants set I at the gates, *that* there should
no burden be brought in on the sabbath day.
20 So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or
twice.

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‡ **12:47** sanctified: that is, set apart * **13:1** they...: Heb. there was read † **13:1** audience: Heb. ears ‡ **13:4** having...: Heb. being set over § **13:5** which...: Heb. the commandment of the Levites ** **13:6** after...: Heb. at the end of days †† **13:6** obtained...: or, I earnestly requested ‡‡ **13:11** place: Heb. standing §§ **13:12** treasuries: or, storehouses *** **13:13** treasuries: or, storehouses ††† **13:13** next...: Heb. at their hand ‡‡‡ **13:13** their office...: Heb. it was upon them §§§ **13:14** good...: Heb. kindnesses * **13:14** offices: or, observations

21 Then I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge ye about the wall? if ye do
so again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no *more* on the sabbath.†
22 And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves, and *that* they
should come *and* keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath day. Remember me, O my God,
concerning this also, and spare me according to the greatness of thy mercy.‡
23 ¶ In those days also saw I Jews *that* had married wives of Ashdod, of Ammon, *and* of
Moab:§
24 And their children spake half in the speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the Jews'
language, but according to the language of each people.**††
25 And I contended with them, and cursed them, and smote certain of them, and plucked
off their hair, and made them swear by God, *saying*, Ye shall not give your daughters unto
their sons, nor take their daughters unto your sons, or for yourselves.‡‡
26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? yet among many nations was there
no king like him, who was beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel:
nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.
27 Shall we then hearken unto you to do all this great evil, to transgress against our God
in marrying strange wives?
28 And *one* of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, *was* son in law to
Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me.
29 Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the priesthood, and the
covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites.§§
30 Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and appointed the wards of the priests and
the Levites, every one in his business;
31 And for the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the firstfruits. Remember me,
O my God, for good.

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† **13:21** about: Heb. before ‡ **13:22** greatness: or, multitude § **13:23** had...: Heb. had made to dwell with them ** **13:24** could...: Heb. they discerned not to speak †† **13:24** of each...: Heb. of people and people ‡‡ **13:25** cursed: or, reviled §§ **13:29** because...: Heb. for the defilings

The Book of Esther

1 Now it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus, (this *is* Ahasuerus which reigned, from
India even unto Ethiopia, *over* an hundred and seven and twenty provinces:)
2 *That* in those days, when the king Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which
was in Shushan the palace,
3 In the third year of his reign, he made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the
power of Persia and Media, the nobles and princes of the provinces, *being* before him:
4 When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his excellent
majesty many days, *even* an hundred and fourscore days.
5 And when these days were expired, the king made a feast unto all the people that were
present in Shushan the palace, both unto great and small, seven days, in the court of the
garden of the king's palace;*
6 *Where were* white, green, and blue, *hangings*, fastened with cords of fine linen and
purple to silver rings and pillars of marble: the beds *were of* gold and silver, upon a
pavement of red, and blue, and white, and black, marble.†‡
7 And they gave *them* drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being diverse one from
another,) and royal wine in abundance, according to the state of the king.§**
8 And the drinking *was* according to the law; none did compel: for so the king had
appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every man's
pleasure.
9 Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women *in* the royal house which *belonged* to
king Ahasuerus.
10 ¶ On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded
Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seven chamber-
lains that served in the presence of Ahasuerus the king,††
11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the people and
the princes her beauty: for she *was* fair to look on.‡‡
12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by *his* chamberlains:
therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.§§
13 ¶ Then the king said to the wise men, which knew the times, (for so *was* the king's
manner toward all that knew law and judgment:
14 And the next unto him *was* Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena,
and Memucan, the seven princes of Persia and Media, which saw the king's face, *and* which
sat the first in the kingdom;)
15 What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not
performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains?***
16 And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, Vashti the queen hath not
done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the people that *are* in all
the provinces of the king Ahasuerus.
17 For *this* deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall despise
their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded
Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not.
18 *Likewise* shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day unto all the king's princes,
which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus *shall there arise* too much contempt and
wrath.
19 If it please the king, let there go a royal commandment from him, and let it be written
among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that it be not altered, That Vashti come no
more before king Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate unto another that is
better than she.†††‡‡‡§§§*
20 And when the king's decree which he shall make shall be published throughout all his
empire, (for it is great,) all the wives shall give to their husbands honour, both to great and
small.

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* **1:5** present: Heb. found † **1:6** blue, hangings: or, violet, etc ‡ **1:6** of red...: or, of porphyre, and marble and alabaster, and stone of blue colour § **1:7** royal...: Heb. wine of the kingdom ** **1:7** state: Heb. hand †† **1:10** chamberlains: or, eunuchs ‡‡ **1:11** fair...: Heb. good of countenance §§ **1:12** by his...: Heb. which was by the hand of his eunuchs *** **1:15** What...: Heb. What to do ††† **1:19** If it...: Heb. If it be good with the king ‡‡‡ **1:19** unto...: Heb. unto her companion §§§ **1:19** from him: Heb. from before him * **1:19** be not...: Heb. pass not away

21 And the saying pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the
word of Memucan:†
22 For he sent letters into all the king's provinces, into every province according to the
writing thereof, and to every people after their language, that every man should bear
rule in his own house, and that *it* should be published according to the language of every
people.‡

2

1 After these things, when the wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered
Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed against her.
2 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, Let there be fair young virgins
sought for the king:
3 And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may
gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace, to the house of the
women, unto the custody of Hege the king's chamberlain, keeper of the women; and let
their things for purification be given *them:**†
4 And let the maiden which pleaseth the king be queen instead of Vashti. And the thing
pleased the king; and he did so.
5 ¶ *Now* in Shushan the palace there was a certain Jew, whose name *was* Mordecai, the
son of Jair, the son of Shimei, the son of Kish, a Benjamite;
6 Who had been carried away from Jerusalem with the captivity which had been carried
away with Jeconiah king of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried
away.‡
7 And he brought up Hadassah, that *is*, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither
father nor mother, and the maid *was* fair and beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her father
and mother were dead, took for his own daughter.§**
8 ¶ So it came to pass, when the king's commandment and his decree was heard, and
when many maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the palace, to the custody of
Hegai, that Esther was brought also unto the king's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper
of the women.
9 And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him; and he speedily gave
her her things for purification, with such things as belonged to her, and seven maidens,
which were meet to be given her, out of the king's house: and he preferred her and her
maids unto the best *place* of the house of the women.††‡‡
10 Esther had not shewed her people nor her kindred: for Mordecai had charged her that
she should not shew *it*.
11 And Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's house, to know how
Esther did, and what should become of her.§§
12 ¶ Now when every maid's turn was come to go in to king Ahasuerus, after that she
had been twelve months, according to the manner of the women, (for so were the days of
their purifications accomplished, *to wit*, six months with oil of myrrh, and six months with
sweet odours, and with *other* things for the purifying of the women;)
13 Then thus came *every* maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her to
go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.
14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the
women, to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's chamberlain, which kept the concubines:
she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that she were
called by name.
15 ¶ Now when the turn of Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had
taken her for his daughter, was come to go in unto the king, she required nothing but what
Hegai the king's chamberlain, the keeper of the women, appointed. And Esther obtained
favour in the sight of all them that looked upon her.
16 So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in the tenth month,
which *is* the month Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign.

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† **1:21** pleased...: Heb. was good in the eyes of the king ‡ **1:22** that it...: Heb. that one should publish it according to the language of his people * **2:3** unto the...: Heb. unto the hand † **2:3** Hege: also called, Hegai ‡ **2:6** Jeconiah: also called, Jehoiachin § **2:7** brought...: Heb. nourished ** **2:7** fair...: Heb. fair of form, and good of countenance †† **2:9** such...: Heb. her portions ‡‡ **2:9** preferred: Heb. changed §§ **2:11** to know...: Heb. to know the peace

17 And the king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained grace and favour in
his sight more than all the virgins; so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made
her queen instead of Vashti.***†††
18 Then the king made a great feast unto all his princes and his servants, *even* Esther's
feast; and he made a release to the provinces, and gave gifts, according to the state of the
king.‡‡‡
19 And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then Mordecai sat in
the king's gate.
20 Esther had not *yet* shewed her kindred nor her people; as Mordecai had charged her:
for Esther did the commandment of Mordecai, like as when she was brought up with him.
21 ¶ In those days, while Mordecai sat in the king's gate, two of the king's chamberlains,
Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept the door, were wroth, and sought to lay hand on
the king Ahasuerus.§§§*
22 And the thing was known to Mordecai, who told *it* unto Esther the queen; and Esther
certified the king *thereof* in Mordecai's name.
23 And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out; therefore they were
both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the book of the chronicles before the king.

3

1 After these things did king Ahasuerus promote Haman the son of Hammedatha the
Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat above all the princes that *were* with him.
2 And all the king's servants, that *were* in the king's gate, bowed, and reverenced Haman:
for the king had so commanded concerning him. But Mordecai bowed not, nor did *him*
reverence.
3 Then the king's servants, which *were* in the king's gate, said unto Mordecai, Why
transgressest thou the king's commandment?
4 Now it came to pass, when they spake daily unto him, and he hearkened not unto them,
that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand: for he had told them
that he *was* a Jew.
5 And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence, then was
Haman full of wrath.
6 And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had shewed him the
people of Mordecai: wherefore Haman sought to destroy all the Jews that *were* throughout
the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, *even* the people of Mordecai.
7 ¶ In the first month, that *is*, the month Nisan, in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, they
cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from month to month, *to* the
twelfth *month*, that *is*, the month Adar.
8 ¶ And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, There is a certain people scattered abroad and
dispersed among the people in all the provinces of thy kingdom; and their laws *are* diverse
from all people; neither keep they the king's laws: therefore it *is* not for the king's profit to
suffer them.*
9 If it please the king, let it be written that they may be destroyed: and I will pay ten
thousand talents of silver to the hands of those that have the charge of the business, to
bring *it* into the king's treasuries.†‡
10 And the king took his ring from his hand, and gave it unto Haman the son of
Hammedatha the Agagite, the Jews' enemy.§
11 And the king said unto Haman, The silver *is* given to thee, the people also, to do with
them as it seemeth good to thee.
12 Then were the king's scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first month, and there
was written according to all that Haman had commanded unto the king's lieutenants, and
to the governors that *were* over every province, and to the rulers of every people of every
province according to the writing thereof, and *to* every people after their language; in the
name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the king's ring.**
13 And the letters were sent by posts into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and
to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, *even*

*** **2:17** favour: or, kindness ††† **2:17** in his...: Heb. before him ‡‡‡ **2:18** release: Heb. rest §§§ **2:21** Bigthan: also called, Bigthana * **2:21** the door: Heb. the threshold * **3:8** for the...: Heb. meet or, equal, etc † **3:9** that they...: Heb. to destroy them ‡ **3:9** pay: Heb. weigh § **3:10** enemy: or, oppressor ** **3:12** scribes: or, secretaries

upon the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which is the month Adar, and *to take* the spoil
of them for a prey.
14 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province was
published unto all people, that they should be ready against that day.
15 The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and the decree was
given in Shushan the palace. And the king and Haman sat down to drink; but the city
Shushan was perplexed.

4

1 When Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on
sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and
a bitter cry;
2 And came even before the king's gate: for none *might* enter into the king's gate clothed
with sackcloth.
3 And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came,
there was great mourning among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and
many lay in sackcloth and ashes.*
4 ¶ So Esther's maids and her chamberlains came and told *it* her. Then was the queen
exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his
sackcloth from him: but he received *it* not.†
5 Then called Esther for Hatach, *one* of the king's chamberlains, whom he had appointed
to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment to Mordecai, to know what it *was*, and
why it *was*.‡
6 So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which *was* before the king's
gate.
7 And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of the sum of the money
that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.
8 Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was given at Shushan to
destroy them, to shew *it* unto Esther, and to declare *it* unto her, and to charge her that she
should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him
for her people.
9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.
10 ¶ Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai;
11 All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever,
whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called,
there is one law of his to put *him* to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the
golden sceptre, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these
thirty days.
12 And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.
13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt
escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.
14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, *then* shall there enlargement and
deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be
destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for *such* a time as
this?§
15 ¶ Then Esther bade *them* return Mordecai *this answer*,
16 Go, gather together all the Jews that are present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and
neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and
so will I go in unto the king, which *is* not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish.**
17 So Mordecai went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.††

5

1 Now it came to pass on the third day, that Esther put on *her* royal *apparel*, and stood in
the inner court of the king's house, over against the king's house: and the king sat upon his
royal throne in the royal house, over against the gate of the house.
2 And it was so, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, *that* she
obtained favour in his sight: and the king held out to Esther the golden sceptre that *was*
in his hand. So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the sceptre.

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* **4:3** many...: Heb. sackcloth and ashes were laid under many † **4:4** chamberlains: Heb. eunuchs ‡ **4:5** appointed...: Heb. set before her § **4:14** enlargement: Heb. respiration ** **4:16** present: Heb. found †† **4:17** went...: Heb. passed

3 Then said the king unto her, What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what *is* thy request? it
shall be even given thee to the half of the kingdom.
4 And Esther answered, If *it seem* good unto the king, let the king and Haman come this
day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him.
5 Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said. So
the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.
6 ¶ And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What *is* thy petition? and it
shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be
performed.
7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request *is;*
8 If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my
petition, and to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to the banquet that I
shall prepare for them, and I will do to morrow as the king hath said.*
9 ¶ Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but when Haman
saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor moved for him, he was full of
indignation against Mordecai.
10 Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and called
for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.†
11 And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and
all *the things* wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above
the princes and servants of the king.
12 Haman said moreover, Yea, Esther the queen did let no man come in with the king unto
the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and to morrow am I invited unto her also
with the king.
13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's
gate.
14 ¶ Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, Let a gallows be made of
fifty cubits high, and to morrow speak thou unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged
thereon: then go thou in merrily with the king unto the banquet. And the thing pleased
Haman; and he caused the gallows to be made.‡

6

1 On that night could not the king sleep, and he commanded to bring the book of records
of the chronicles; and they were read before the king.*
2 And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh, two of
the king's chamberlains, the keepers of the door, who sought to lay hand on the king
Ahasuerus.†‡
3 And the king said, What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this? Then
said the king's servants that ministered unto him, There is nothing done for him.
4 ¶ And the king said, Who *is* in the court? Now Haman was come into the outward court
of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had
prepared for him.
5 And the king's servants said unto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the
king said, Let him come in.
6 So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done unto the man whom
the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman thought in his heart, To whom would the king
delight to do honour more than to myself?§
7 And Haman answered the king, For the man whom the king delighteth to honour,**
8 Let the royal apparel be brought which the king *useth* to wear, and the horse that the
king rideth upon, and the crown royal which is set upon his head:††‡‡
9 And let this apparel and horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble
princes, that they may array the man *withal* whom the king delighteth to honour, and bring
him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be
done to the man whom the king delighteth to honour.§§

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* **5:8** perform: Heb. do † **5:10** called...: Heb. caused to come ‡ **5:14** gallows: Heb. tree * **6:1** could...: Heb. the king's sleep fled away † **6:2** Bigthana: also called, Bigthan ‡ **6:2** door: Heb. threshold § **6:6** whom the king...: Heb. in whose honour the king delighteth ** **6:7** whom the king...: Heb. in whose honour the king delighteth †† **6:8** Let...: Heb. Let them bring the royal apparel ‡‡ **6:8** which the king...: Heb. wherewith the king clotheth himself §§ **6:9** bring...: Heb. cause him to ride

10 Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, *and* take the apparel and the horse, as thou
hast said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that sitteth at the king's gate: let nothing fail
of all that thou hast spoken.***
11 Then took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai, and brought him
on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be
done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour.
12 ¶ And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman hasted to his house
mourning, and having his head covered.
13 And Haman told Zeresh his wife and all his friends every *thing* that had befallen him.
Then said his wise men and Zeresh his wife unto him, If Mordecai *be* of the seed of the Jews,
before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely
fall before him.
14 And while they *were* yet talking with him, came the king's chamberlains, and hasted
to bring Haman unto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

7

1 So the king and Haman came to banquet with Esther the queen.*
2 And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, What *is*
thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy request? and it
shall be performed, *even* to the half of the kingdom.
3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king,
and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:
4 For we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we
had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy
could not countervail the king's damage.†
5 ¶ Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and
where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so?‡
6 And Esther said, The adversary and enemy *is* this wicked Haman. Then Haman was
afraid before the king and the queen.§**
7 ¶ And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath *went* into the palace
garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw
that there was evil determined against him by the king.
8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine;
and Haman was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther *was*. Then said the king, Will he force
the queen also before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they
covered Haman's face.††
9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, the gallows
fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king,
standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.‡‡
10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was
the king's wrath pacified.

8

1 On that day did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto
Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told what he *was*
unto her.
2 And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it unto
Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman.
3 ¶ And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, and besought
him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman the Agagite, and his device that he had
devised against the Jews.*
4 Then the king held out the golden sceptre toward Esther. So Esther arose, and stood
before the king,
5 And said, If it please the king, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing *seem*
right before the king, and I *be* pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the letters

*** **6:10** let...: Heb. suffer not a whit to fall * **7:1** to banquet: Heb. to drink † **7:4** to be destroyed...: Heb. that they should destroy, and kill, and cause to perish ‡ **7:5** that...: Heb. whose heart hath filled him § **7:6** The adversary: Heb. The man adversary ** **7:6** before: or, at the presence of †† **7:8** before me: Heb. with me ‡‡ **7:9** gallows: Heb. tree * **8:3** and besought...: Heb. and she wept, and besought him

devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he wrote to destroy the Jews which *are* in all the king's provinces:[†][‡]

6 For how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?[§]

7 ¶ Then the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen and to Mordecai the Jew, Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.

8 Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name, and seal *it* with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, may no man reverse.

9 Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third month, that *is*, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth *day* thereof; and it was written according to all that Mordecai commanded unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the provinces which *are* from India unto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing thereof, and unto every people after their language, and to the Jews according to their writing, and according to their language.

10 And he wrote in the king Ahasuerus' name, and sealed *it* with the king's ring, and sent letters by posts on horseback, *and* riders on mules, camels, *and* young dromedaries:

11 Wherein the king granted the Jews which *were* in every city to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish, all the power of the people and province that would assault them, *both* little ones and women, and *to take* the spoil of them for a prey,

12 Upon one day in all the provinces of king Ahasuerus, *namely*, upon the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which *is* the month Adar.

13 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province *was* published unto all people, and that the Jews should be ready against that day to avenge themselves on their enemies.[**]

14 *So* the posts that rode upon mules *and* camels went out, being hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was given at Shushan the palace.

15 ¶ And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king in royal apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple: and the city of Shushan rejoiced and was glad.[††]

16 The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.

9

1 Now in the twelfth month, that *is*, the month Adar, on the thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree drew near to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them;)

2 The Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them; for the fear of them fell upon all people.

3 And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai fell upon them.[*]

4 For Mordecai *was* great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater.

5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did what they would unto those that hated them.[†]

6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred men.

7 And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vajezatha,

[†] **8:5** devised: Heb. the device [‡] **8:5** which he...: or, who wrote [§] **8:6** endure...: Heb. be able that I may see [**] **8:13** published: Heb. revealed [††] **8:15** blue: or, violet [*] **9:3** officers...: Heb. those which did the business that belonged to the king [†] **9:5** what...: Heb. according to their will

10 The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews, slew they; but
on the spoil laid they not their hand.
11 On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace was brought
before the king.‡
12 ¶ And the king said unto Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and destroyed five
hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what have they done in
the rest of the king's provinces? now what *is* thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or
what *is* thy request further? and it shall be done.
13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the Jews which *are* in Shushan
to do to morrow also according unto this day's decree, and let Haman's ten sons be hanged
upon the gallows.§
14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given at Shushan; and
they hanged Haman's ten sons.
15 For the Jews that *were* in Shushan gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day
also of the month Adar, and slew three hundred men at Shushan; but on the prey they laid
not their hand.
16 But the other Jews that *were* in the king's provinces gathered themselves together, and
stood for their lives, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes seventy and
five thousand, but they laid not their hands on the prey,
17 On the thirteenth day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested
they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.**
18 But the Jews that *were* at Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth *day* thereof,
and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth *day* of the same they rested, and made
it a day of feasting and gladness.
19 Therefore the Jews of the villages, that dwelt in the unwalled towns, made the
fourteenth day of the month Adar *a day of* gladness and feasting, and a good day, and of
sending portions one to another.
20 ¶ And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the Jews that *were* in all
the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, *both* nigh and far,
21 To stablish *this* among them, that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month
Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly,
22 As the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies, and the month which was
turned unto them from sorrow to joy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should
make them days of feasting and joy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the
poor.
23 And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto
them;
24 Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had
devised against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, to consume them,
and to destroy them;††
25 But when *Esther* came before the king, he commanded by letters that his wicked
device, which he devised against the Jews, should return upon his own head, and that he
and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.‡‡
26 Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of Pur. Therefore for all the
words of this letter, and *of that* which they had seen concerning this matter, and which had
come unto them,§§
27 The Jews ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as
joined themselves unto them, so as it should not fail, that they would keep these two days
according to their writing, and according to their *appointed* time every year;***
28 And *that* these days *should be* remembered and kept throughout every generation,
every family, every province, and every city; and *that* these days of Purim should not fail
from among the Jews, nor the memorial of them perish from their seed.†††‡‡‡
29 Then Esther the queen, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with all
authority, to confirm this second letter of Purim.§§§
30 And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to the hundred twenty and seven provinces
of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, *with* words of peace and truth,

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‡ **9:11** was...: Heb. came § **9:13** let Haman's...: Heb. let men hang, etc ** **9:17** of the same: Heb. in it †† **9:24** consume: Heb. crush ‡‡ **9:25** when...: Heb. when she came §§ **9:26** Pur: that is, Lot *** **9:27** fail: Heb. pass ††† **9:28** fail: Heb. pass ‡‡‡ **9:28** perish: Heb. be ended §§§ **9:29** authority: Heb. strength

31 To confirm these days of Purim in their times *appointed*, according as Mordecai the
Jew and Esther the queen had enjoined them, and as they had decreed for themselves and
for their seed, the matters of the fastings and their cry.*
32 And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim; and it was written in the
book.

10

1 And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and *upon* the isles of the sea.
2 And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the declaration of the greatness
of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him, *are* they not written in the book of the
chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia?*
3 For Mordecai the Jew *was* next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and
accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking
peace to all his seed.

* **9:31** themselves: Heb. their souls
* **10:2** advanced...: Heb. made him great

The Book of Job

1 There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name *was* Job; and that man was perfect and
upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.
2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.
3 His substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three thousand camels, and five
hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great household; so that
this man was the greatest of all the men of the east.*†‡
4 And his sons went and feasted *in their* houses, every one his day; and sent and called
for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.
5 And it was so, when the days of *their* feasting were gone about, that Job sent and
sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings *according*
to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God
in their hearts. Thus did Job continually.§
6 ¶ Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the
LORD, and Satan came also among them.**††
7 And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD,
and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.
8 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none
like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth
evil?‡‡
9 Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?
10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he
hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased
in the land.§§
11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy
face.***
12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath *is* in thy power; only upon
himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.†††
13 ¶ And there was a day when his sons and his daughters *were* eating and drinking wine
in their eldest brother's house:
14 And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses
feeding beside them:
15 And the Sabeans fell *upon them*, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants
with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.
16 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The fire of God is fallen
from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I
only am escaped alone to tell thee.‡‡‡
17 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made
out three bands, and fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the
servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.§§§
18 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy
daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:
19 And, behold, there came a great wind from the wilderness, and smote the four corners
of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped
alone to tell thee.*
20 Then Job arose, and rent his mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the
ground, and worshipped,†
21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither:
the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.
22 In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.‡

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* **1:3** substance: or, cattle † **1:3** household: or, husbandry ‡ **1:3** men: Heb. sons § **1:5** continually: Heb. all the days ** **1:6** Satan: Heb. the adversary †† **1:6** among: Heb. in the midst of ‡‡ **1:8** considered: Heb. set thy heart on §§ **1:10** substance: or, cattle *** **1:11** and he...: Heb. if he curse thee not to thy face ††† **1:12** power: Heb. hand ‡‡‡ **1:16** The fire...: or, A great fire §§§ **1:17** fell: Heb. rushed * **1:19** from...: Heb. from aside, etc † **1:20** mantle: or, robe ‡ **1:22** charged...: or, attributed folly to God

2

1 Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the
LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.
2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the
LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.
3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none
like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth
evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, to
destroy him without cause.*
4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he
give for his life.
5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee
to thy face.
6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand; but save his life.†
7 ¶ So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils
from the sole of his foot unto his crown.
8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.
9 ¶ Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.
10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall
we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin
with his lips.
11 ¶ Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they
came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and
Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment together to come to mourn
with him and to comfort him.
12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their
voice, and wept; and they rent every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads
toward heaven.
13 So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none
spake a word unto him: for they saw that *his* grief was very great.

3

1 After this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.
2 And Job spake, and said,*
3 Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night *in which* it was said, There is a man
child conceived.
4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine
upon it.
5 Let darkness and the shadow of death stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; let the blackness
of the day terrify it.†‡
6 As *for* that night, let darkness seize upon it; let it not be joined unto the days of the year,
let it not come into the number of the months.§
7 Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.
8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning.**
9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark; let it look for light, but *have* none; neither
let it see the dawning of the day:††
10 Because it shut not up the doors of my *mother's* womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.
11 Why died I not from the womb? *why* did I *not* give up the ghost when I came out of the
belly?
12 Why did the knees prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck?
13 For now should I have lain still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at
rest,
14 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which built desolate places for themselves;
15 Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver:
16 Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants *which* never saw light.
17 There the wicked cease *from* troubling; and there the weary be at rest.‡‡

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* **2:3** to destroy...: Heb. to swallow him up † **2:6** but: or, only * **3:2** spake: Heb. answered † **3:5** stain: or, challenge ‡ **3:5** let the...: or, let them terrify it, as those who have a bitter day § **3:6** let it not be...: or, let it not rejoice among the days ** **3:8** their...: or, leviathan †† **3:9** the dawning...: Heb. the eyelids of the morning ‡‡ **3:17** weary: Heb. wearied in strength

18 *There* the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the oppressor.
19 The small and great are there; and the servant *is* free from his master.
20 Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto the bitter *in* soul;
21 Which long for death, but it *cometh* not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures;§§
22 Which rejoice exceedingly, *and* are glad, when they can find the grave?
23 *Why is light given* to a man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in?
24 For my sighing cometh before I eat, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.***
25 For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.†††
26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet trouble came.

4

1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,
2 *If* we assay to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved? but who can withhold himself from speaking?*†
3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands.
4 Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened the feeble knees.
5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.
6 *Is* not *this* thy fear, thy confidence, thy hope, and the uprightness of thy ways?
7 Remember, I pray thee, who *ever* perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?
8 Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.
9 By the blast of God they perish, and by the breath of his nostrils are they consumed.‡
10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken.
11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's whelps are scattered abroad.
12 Now a thing was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a little thereof.§
13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men,
14 Fear came upon me, and trembling, which made all my bones to shake.**††
15 Then a spirit passed before my face; the hair of my flesh stood up:
16 It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an image *was* before mine eyes, *there was* silence, and I heard a voice, *saying*,‡‡
17 Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker?
18 Behold, he put no trust in his servants; and his angels he charged with folly:§§
19 How much less *in* them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation *is* in the dust, *which* are crushed before the moth?
20 They are destroyed from morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding *it*.***
21 Doth not their excellency *which is* in them go away? they die, even without wisdom.

5

1 Call now, if there be any that will answer thee; and to which of the saints wilt thou turn?*
2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and envy slayeth the silly one.†
3 I have seen the foolish taking root: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.
4 His children are far from safety, and they are crushed in the gate, neither *is there* any to deliver *them*.
5 Whose harvest the hungry eateth up, and taketh it even out of the thorns, and the robber swalloweth up their substance.
6 Although affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground;‡
7 Yet man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly upward.§**

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§§ **3:21** long: Heb. wait *** **3:24** I eat: Heb. my meat ††† **3:25** the thing...: Heb. I feared a fear, and it came upon me * **4:2** to...: Heb. a word † **4:2** withhold...: Heb. refrain from words? ‡ **4:9** by the breath...: that is, by his anger § **4:12** secretly: Heb. by stealth ** **4:14** came...: Heb. met †† **4:14** all: Heb. the multitude of ‡‡ **4:16** there...: or, I heard a still voice §§ **4:18** and his...: or, nor in his angels, in whom he put light *** **4:20** destroyed: Heb. beaten in pieces * **5:1** turn: or, look? † **5:2** envy: or, indignation ‡ **5:6** affliction: or, iniquity § **5:7** trouble: or, labour ** **5:7** sparks...: Heb. the sons of the burning coal lift up to fly

8 I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause:
9 Which doeth great things and unsearchable; marvellous things without number:[††‡‡]
10 Who giveth rain upon the earth, and sendeth waters upon the fields:[§§]
11 To set up on high those that be low; that those which mourn may be exalted to safety.
12 He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands cannot perform *their* enterprise.[***]
13 He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of the froward is carried headlong.
14 They meet with darkness in the daytime, and grope in the noonday as in the night.[†††]
15 But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.
16 So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth.
17 Behold, happy *is* the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty:
18 For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.
19 He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee.
20 In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the power of the sword.[‡‡‡]
21 Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.[§§§]
22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.
23 For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.
24 And thou shalt know that thy tabernacle *shall be* in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not sin.[*†]
25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed *shall be* great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.[‡]
26 Thou shalt come to *thy* grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season.[§]
27 Lo this, we have searched it, so it *is;* hear it, and know thou *it* for thy good.[**]

6

1 But Job answered and said,
2 Oh that my grief were throughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the balances together![*]
3 For now it would be heavier than the sand of the sea: therefore my words are swallowed up.[†]
4 For the arrows of the Almighty *are* within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.
5 Doth the wild ass bray when he hath grass? or loweth the ox over his fodder?[‡]
6 Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or is there *any* taste in the white of an egg?
7 The things *that* my soul refused to touch *are* as my sorrowful meat.
8 Oh that I might have my request; and that God would grant *me* the thing that I long for![§]
9 Even that it would please God to destroy me; that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off!
10 Then should I yet have comfort; yea, I would harden myself in sorrow: let him not spare; for I have not concealed the words of the Holy One.
11 What *is* my strength, that I should hope? and what *is* mine end, that I should prolong my life?
12 *Is* my strength the strength of stones? or *is* my flesh of brass?[**]
13 *Is* not my help in me? and is wisdom driven quite from me?

[††] **5:9** unsearchable: Heb. there is no search [‡‡] **5:9** without...: Heb. till there be no number [§§] **5:10** fields: Heb. outplaces [***] **5:12** their enterprise: or, any thing [†††] **5:14** meet...: or, run into [‡‡‡] **5:20** power: Heb. hands [§§§] **5:21** from...: or, when the tongue scourgeth [*] **5:24** thy tabernacle...: or, peace is thy tabernacle [†] **5:24** sin: or, err [‡] **5:25** great: or, much [§] **5:26** cometh in: Heb. ascendeth [**] **5:27** for...: Heb. for thyself [*] **6:2** laid: Heb. lifted up [†] **6:3** my words...: that is, I want words to express my grief [‡] **6:5** when he...: Heb. at grass? [§] **6:8** the thing...: Heb. my expectation [**] **6:12** of brass: Heb. brasen?

14 To him that is afflicted pity *should be shewed* from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear
of the Almighty.††
15 My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, *and* as the stream of brooks they pass
away;
16 Which are blackish by reason of the ice, *and* wherein the snow is hid:
17 What time they wax warm, they vanish: when it is hot, they are consumed out of their
place.‡‡§§***
18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they go to nothing, and perish.
19 The troops of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for them.
20 They were confounded because they had hoped; they came thither, and were
ashamed.
21 For now ye are nothing; ye see *my* casting down, and are afraid.†††‡‡‡
22 Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give a reward for me of your substance?
23 Or, Deliver me from the enemy's hand? or, Redeem me from the hand of the mighty?
24 Teach me, and I will hold my tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have
erred.
25 How forcible are right words! but what doth your arguing reprove?
26 Do ye imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is desperate, *which are*
as wind?
27 Yea, ye overwhelm the fatherless, and ye dig *a pit* for your friend.§§§
28 Now therefore be content, look upon me; for *it is* evident unto you if I lie.*
29 Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my righteousness *is* in it.†
30 Is there iniquity in my tongue? cannot my taste discern perverse things?‡

7

1 *Is there* not an appointed time to man upon earth? *are not* his days also like the days of
an hireling?*
2 As a servant earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for *the reward of*
his work:†
3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.
4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and the night be gone? and I am full of tossings
to and fro unto the dawning of the day.‡
5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and become
loathsome.
6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.
7 O remember that my life *is* wind: mine eye shall no more see good.§**
8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no *more:* thine eyes *are* upon me, and I
am not.††
9 *As* the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall
come up no *more*.
10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.
11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will
complain in the bitterness of my soul.
12 *Am* I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch over me?
13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint;
14 Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions:
15 So that my soul chooseth strangling, *and* death rather than my life.‡‡
16 I loathe *it;* I would not live alway: let me alone; for my days *are* vanity.
17 What *is* man, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart
upon him?
18 And *that* thou shouldest visit him every morning, *and* try him every moment?
19 How long wilt thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?
20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set
me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?

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†† **6:14** is afflicted: Heb. melteth ‡‡ **6:17** vanish: Heb. are cut off §§ **6:17** when...: Heb. in the heat thereof *** **6:17** consumed: Heb. extinguished ††† **6:21** ye are...: or, ye are like to them: Heb. to it ‡‡‡ **6:21** nothing: Heb. not §§§ **6:27** ye overwhelm: Heb. ye cause to fall upon * **6:28** evident...: Heb. before your face † **6:29** in it: that is, in this matter ‡ **6:30** my taste: Heb. my palate * **7:1** an appointed...: or, a warfare † **7:2** earnestly...: Heb. gapeth after ‡ **7:4** the night...: Heb. the evening be measured? § **7:7** shall...: Heb. shall not return ** **7:7** see: to see, that is, to enjoy †† **7:8** I am...: that is, I can live no longer ‡‡ **7:15** life: Heb. bones

21 And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? for
now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I *shall* not *be*.

8

1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
2 How long wilt thou speak these *things*? and *how long shall* the words of thy mouth *be*
like a strong wind?
3 Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice?
4 If thy children have sinned against him, and he have cast them away for their
transgression;*
5 If thou wouldest seek unto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty;
6 If thou *wert* pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the
habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.
7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.
8 For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their
fathers:
9 (For we *are but of* yesterday, and know nothing, because our days upon earth *are* a
shadow:)†
10 Shall not they teach thee, *and* tell thee, and utter words out of their heart?
11 Can the rush grow up without mire? can the flag grow without water?
12 Whilst it *is* yet in his greenness, *and* not cut down, it withereth before any *other* herb.
13 So *are* the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish:
14 Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust *shall be* a spider's web.‡
15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not
endure.
16 He *is* green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.
17 His roots are wrapped about the heap, *and* seeth the place of stones.
18 If he destroy him from his place, then *it* shall deny him, *saying*, I have not seen thee.
19 Behold, this *is* the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.
20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect *man*, neither will he help the evil doers:§**
21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with rejoicing.††
22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; and the dwelling place of the wicked
shall come to nought.‡‡

9

1 Then Job answered and said,
2 I know *it is* so of a truth: but how should man be just with God?*
3 If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand.
4 *He is* wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened *himself* against him,
and hath prospered?
5 Which removeth the mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his
anger.
6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble.
7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars.
8 Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the waves of the sea.†
9 Which maketh Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south.‡
10 Which doeth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders without number.
11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see *him* not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not.
12 Behold, he taketh away, who can hinder him? who will say unto him, What doest
thou?§
13 *If* God will not withdraw his anger, the proud helpers do stoop under him.**
14 How much less shall I answer him, *and* choose out my words *to reason* with him?
15 Whom, though I were righteous, *yet* would I not answer, *but* I would make supplication
to my judge.
16 If I had called, and he had answered me; *yet* would I not believe that he had hearkened
unto my voice.

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* **8:4** for...: Heb. in the hand of their transgression † **8:9** nothing: Heb. not ‡ **8:14** web: Heb. house § **8:20** help...: Heb. take the ungodly by the hand ** **8:20** come: Heb. shall not be †† **8:21** rejoicing: Heb. shouting for joy ‡‡ **8:22** shall come...: Heb. shall not be * **9:2** with God: or, before God? † **9:8** waves: Heb. heights ‡ **9:9** Arcturus...: Heb. Ash, Cesil, and Cimah § **9:12** hinder...: Heb. turn him away? ** **9:13** proud...: Heb. helpers of pride, or, strength

17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.
18 He will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitterness.
19 If *I speak* of strength, lo, *he is* strong: and if of judgment, who shall set me a time *to plead*?
20 If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me: *if I say*, I *am* perfect, it shall also prove me perverse.
21 *Though* I *were* perfect, *yet* would I not know my soul: I would despise my life.
22 This *is* one *thing*, therefore I said *it*, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.
23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the innocent.
24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the faces of the judges thereof; if not, where, *and* who *is* he?
25 Now my days are swifter than a post: they flee away, they see no good.
26 They are passed away as the swift ships: as the eagle *that* hasteth to the prey.††
27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leave off my heaviness, and comfort *myself:*
28 I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.
29 *If* I be wicked, why then labour I in vain?
30 If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands never so clean;
31 Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall abhor me.‡‡
32 For *he is* not a man, as I *am, that* I should answer him, *and* we should come together in judgment.
33 Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, *that* might lay his hand upon us both.§§***
34 Let him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify me:
35 *Then* would I speak, and not fear him; but *it is* not so with me.†††

10

1 My soul is weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.*
2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me.
3 *Is it* good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise the work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked?†
4 Hast thou eyes of flesh? or seest thou as man seeth?
5 *Are* thy days as the days of man? *are* thy years as man's days,
6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin?
7 Thou knowest that I am not wicked; and *there is* none that can deliver out of thine hand.‡
8 Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet thou dost destroy me.§
9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring me into dust again?
10 Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?
11 Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews.**
12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.
13 And these *things* hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that this *is* with thee.
14 If I sin, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity.
15 If I be wicked, woe unto me; and *if* I be righteous, *yet* will I not lift up my head. *I am* full of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction;
16 For it increaseth. Thou huntest me as a fierce lion: and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.
17 Thou renewest thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation upon me; changes and war *are* against me.††
18 Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me!
19 I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.
20 *Are* not my days few? cease *then, and* let me alone, that I may take comfort a little,
21 Before I go *whence* I shall not return, *even* to the land of darkness and the shadow of death;

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†† **9:26** swift...: or, ships of Ebeh: Heb. ships of desire ‡‡ **9:31** abhor...: or, make me to be abhorred §§ **9:33** any...: Heb. one that should argue *** **9:33** daysman: or, umpire ††† **9:35** it is...: Heb. I am not so with myself * **10:1** weary...: or, cut off while I live † **10:3** work: Heb. labour ‡ **10:7** Thou...: Heb. It is upon thy knowledge § **10:8** have...: Heb. took pains about me ** **10:11** fenced: Heb. hedged †† **10:17** witnesses: that is, plagues

22 A land of darkness, as darkness *itself; and* of the shadow of death, without any order,
and *where* the light *is* as darkness.

11

1 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,
2 Should not the multitude of words be answered? and should a man full of talk be
justified?*
3 Should thy lies make men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make
thee ashamed?†
4 For thou hast said, My doctrine *is* pure, and I am clean in thine eyes.
5 But oh that God would speak, and open his lips against thee;
6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that *they are* double to that which
is! Know therefore that God exacteth of thee *less* than thine iniquity *deserveth*.
7 Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?
8 *It is* as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know?‡
9 The measure thereof *is* longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.
10 If he cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then who can hinder him?§**
11 For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will he not then consider *it*?
12 For vain man would be wise, though man be born *like* a wild ass's colt.††
13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him;
14 If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickedness dwell in thy
tabernacles.
15 For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt
not fear:
16 Because thou shalt forget *thy* misery, *and* remember *it* as waters *that* pass away:
17 And *thine* age shall be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be
as the morning.‡‡
18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig *about thee, and*
thou shalt take thy rest in safety.
19 Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make *thee* afraid; yea, many shall make suit
unto thee.§§
20 But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and they shall not escape, and their hope *shall be*
as the giving up of the ghost.***†††

12

1 And Job answered and said,
2 No doubt but ye *are* the people, and wisdom shall die with you.
3 But I have understanding as well as you; I *am* not inferior to you: yea, who knoweth
not such things as these?*†‡
4 I am *as* one mocked of his neighbour, who calleth upon God, and he answereth him: the
just upright *man is* laughed to scorn.
5 He that is ready to slip with *his* feet *is as* a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at
ease.
6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that provoke God are secure; into whose
hand God bringeth *abundantly*.
7 But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall
tell thee:
8 Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto
thee.
9 Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the LORD hath wrought this?
10 In whose hand *is* the soul of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind.§**
11 Doth not the ear try words? and the mouth taste his meat?††
12 With the ancient *is* wisdom; and in length of days understanding.
13 With him *is* wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and understanding.‡‡

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* **11:2** full...: Heb. of lips † **11:3** lies: or, devices ‡ **11:8** as high...: Heb. the heights of heaven § **11:10** cut...: or, make a change ** **11:10** hinder...: Heb. turn him away? †† **11:12** vain: Heb. empty ‡‡ **11:17** be clearer...: Heb. arise above §§ **11:19** make suit...: Heb. intreat thy face *** **11:20** they shall...: Heb. flight shall perish from them ††† **11:20** the giving...: or, a puff of breath * **12:3** understanding: Heb. an heart † **12:3** I am...: Heb. I fall not lower than you ‡ **12:3** who...: Heb. with whom are not such as these? § **12:10** soul: or, life ** **12:10** all...: Heb. all flesh of man †† **12:11** mouth: Heb. palate ‡‡ **12:13** With...: that is, With God

14 Behold, he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again: he shutteth up a man, and
there can be no opening.§§
15 Behold, he withholdeth the waters, and they dry up: also he sendeth them out, and
they overturn the earth.
16 With him *is* strength and wisdom: the deceived and the deceiver *are* his.
17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and maketh the judges fools.
18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a girdle.
19 He leadeth princes away spoiled, and overthroweth the mighty.
20 He removeth away the speech of the trusty, and taketh away the understanding of the
aged.***
21 He poureth contempt upon princes, and weakeneth the strength of the mighty.†††
22 He discovereth deep things out of darkness, and bringeth out to light the shadow of
death.
23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and
straiteneth them *again*.‡‡‡
24 He taketh away the heart of the chief of the people of the earth, and causeth them to
wander in a wilderness *where there is* no way.
25 They grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to stagger like *a* drunken
man.§§§

13

1 Lo, mine eye hath seen all *this*, mine ear hath heard and understood it.
2 What ye know, *the same* do I know also: I *am* not inferior unto you.
3 Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God.
4 But ye *are* forgers of lies, ye *are* all physicians of no value.
5 O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your wisdom.
6 Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.
7 Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him?
8 Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God?
9 Is it good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another, do ye *so* mock
him?
10 He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly accept persons.
11 Shall not his excellency make you afraid? and his dread fall upon you?
12 Your remembrances *are* like unto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay.
13 Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, and let come on me what *will*.*
14 Wherefore do I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?
15 Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will maintain mine own ways before
him.†
16 He also *shall be* my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.
17 Hear diligently my speech, and my declaration with your ears.
18 Behold now, I have ordered *my* cause; I know that I shall be justified.
19 Who *is* he *that* will plead with me? for now, if I hold my tongue, I shall give up the
ghost.
20 Only do not two *things* unto me: then will I not hide myself from thee.
21 Withdraw thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make me afraid.
22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer thou me.
23 How many *are* mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my
sin.
24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy?
25 Wilt thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue the dry stubble?
26 For thou writest bitter things against me, and makest me to possess the iniquities of
my youth.
27 Thou puttest my feet also in the stocks, and lookest narrowly unto all my paths; thou
settest a print upon the heels of my feet.‡§
28 And he, as a rotten thing, consumeth, as a garment that is moth eaten.

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§§ **12:14** up: Heb. upon *** **12:20** speech...: Heb. lip of the faithful ††† **12:21** weakeneth...: or, looseth the girdle of the strong ‡‡‡ **12:23** straiteneth: Heb. leadeth in §§§ **12:25** stagger: Heb. wander * **13:13** Hold...: Heb. Be silent from me † **13:15** maintain: Heb. prove, or, argue ‡ **13:27** lookest...: Heb. observest § **13:27** heels: Heb. roots

14

1 Man *that is* born of a woman *is* of few days, and full of trouble.*
2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.
3 And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee?
4 Who can bring a clean *thing* out of an unclean? not one.†
5 Seeing his days *are* determined, the number of his months *are* with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;
6 Turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.‡
7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.
8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;
9 *Yet* through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.
10 But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where *is* he?§
11 *As* the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:
12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens *be* no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.
13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!
14 If a man die, shall he live *again*? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.
15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.
16 For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?
17 My transgression *is* sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.
18 And surely the mountain falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.**
19 The waters wear the stones: thou washest away the things which grow *out* of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man.††
20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.
21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth *it* not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth *it* not of them.
22 But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn.

15

1 Then answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,
2 Should a wise man utter vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?*
3 Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?
4 Yea, thou castest off fear, and restrainest prayer before God.†‡
5 For thy mouth uttereth thine iniquity, and thou choosest the tongue of the crafty.§
6 Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.
7 *Art* thou the first man *that* was born? or wast thou made before the hills?
8 Hast thou heard the secret of God? and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?
9 What knowest thou, that we know not? *what* understandest thou, which *is* not in us?
10 With us *are* both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.
11 *Are* the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret thing with thee?
12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what do thy eyes wink at,
13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest *such* words go out of thy mouth?
14 What *is* man, that he should be clean? and *he which is* born of a woman, that he should be righteous?
15 Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight.
16 How much more abominable and filthy *is* man, which drinketh iniquity like water?
17 I will shew thee, hear me; and that *which* I have seen I will declare;
18 Which wise men have told from their fathers, and have not hid *it:*

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* **14:1** few...: Heb. short of days † **14:4** can...: Heb. will give ‡ **14:6** rest: Heb. cease § **14:10** wasteth...: Heb. is weakened, or, cut off ** **14:18** cometh...: Heb. fadeth †† **14:19** washest...: Heb. overflowest * **15:2** vain...: Heb. knowledge of wind † **15:4** castest...: Heb. makest void ‡ **15:4** prayer: or, speech § **15:5** uttereth: Heb. teacheth

19 Unto whom alone the earth was given, and no stranger passed among them.
20 The wicked man travaileth with pain all *his* days, and the number of years is hidden
to the oppressor.
21 A dreadful sound *is* in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him.**
22 He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, and he is waited for of the sword.
23 He wandereth abroad for bread, *saying*, Where *is it*? he knoweth that the day of
darkness is ready at his hand.
24 Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall prevail against him, as a king
ready to the battle.
25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himself against the
Almighty.
26 He runneth upon him, *even* on *his* neck, upon the thick bosses of his bucklers:
27 Because he covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on *his* flanks.
28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, *and* in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are
ready to become heaps.
29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the
perfection thereof upon the earth.
30 He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his branches, and by the
breath of his mouth shall he go away.
31 Let not him that is deceived trust in vanity: for vanity shall be his recompence.
32 It shall be accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not be green.††
33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast off his flower as the olive.
34 For the congregation of hypocrites *shall be* desolate, and fire shall consume the
tabernacles of bribery.
35 They conceive mischief, and bring forth vanity, and their belly prepareth deceit.‡‡

16

1 Then Job answered and said,
2 I have heard many such things: miserable comforters *are* ye all.*
3 Shall vain words have an end? or what emboldeneth thee that thou answerest?†
4 I also could speak as ye *do:* if your soul were in my soul's stead, I could heap up words
against you, and shake mine head at you.
5 *But* I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the moving of my lips should asswage
your grief.
6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: and *though* I forbear, what am I eased?‡
7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate all my company.
8 And thou hast filled me with wrinkles, *which* is a witness *against me:* and my leanness
rising up in me beareth witness to my face.
9 He teareth *me* in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth upon me with his teeth; mine
enemy sharpeneth his eyes upon me.
10 They have gaped upon me with their mouth; they have smitten me upon the cheek
reproachfully; they have gathered themselves together against me.
11 God hath delivered me to the ungodly, and turned me over into the hands of the
wicked.§
12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken *me* by my neck, and
shaken me to pieces, and set me up for his mark.
13 His archers compass me round about, he cleaveth my reins asunder, and doth not
spare; he poureth out my gall upon the ground.
14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach, he runneth upon me like a giant.
15 I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and defiled my horn in the dust.
16 My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids *is* the shadow of death;
17 Not for *any* injustice in mine hands: also my prayer *is* pure.
18 O earth, cover not thou my blood, and let my cry have no place.
19 Also now, behold, my witness *is* in heaven, and my record *is* on high.**
20 My friends scorn me: *but* mine eye poureth out *tears* unto God.††
21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man *pleadeth* for his neighbour!‡‡

** **15:21** A dreadful...: Heb. A sound of fears †† **15:32** accomplished: or, cut off ‡‡ **15:35** vanity: or, iniquity
* **16:2** miserable: or, troublesome † **16:3** vain...: Heb. words of wind ‡ **16:6** what...: Heb. what goeth from me?
§ **16:11** hath...: Heb. hath shut me up ** **16:19** on high: Heb. in the high places †† **16:20** scorn me: Heb. are my scorners ‡‡ **16:21** neighbour: or, friend

22 When a few years are come, then I shall go the way *whence* I shall not return.§§

17

1 My breath is corrupt, my days are extinct, the graves *are ready* for me.*
2 *Are there* not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye continue in their provocation?†
3 Lay down now, put me in a surety with thee; who *is* he *that* will strike hands with me?
4 For thou hast hid their heart from understanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt *them*.
5 He that speaketh flattery to *his* friends, even the eyes of his children shall fail.
6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; and aforetime I was as a tabret.‡
7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all my members *are* as a shadow.§
8 Upright *men* shall be astonied at this, and the innocent shall stir up himself against the hypocrite.
9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger.**
10 But as for you all, do ye return, and come now: for I cannot find *one* wise *man* among you.
11 My days are past, my purposes are broken off, *even* the thoughts of my heart.††
12 They change the night into day: the light *is* short because of darkness.‡‡
13 If I wait, the grave *is* mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.
14 I have said to corruption, Thou *art* my father: to the worm, *Thou art* my mother, and my sister.§§
15 And where *is* now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?
16 They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when *our* rest together *is* in the dust.

18

1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
2 How long *will it be ere* ye make an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speak.
3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, *and* reputed vile in your sight?
4 He teareth himself in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rock be removed out of his place?*
5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine.
6 The light shall be dark in his tabernacle, and his candle shall be put out with him.†
7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own counsel shall cast him down.
8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he walketh upon a snare.
9 The gin shall take *him* by the heel, *and* the robber shall prevail against him.
10 The snare *is* laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.‡
11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall drive him to his feet.§
12 His strength shall be hungerbitten, and destruction *shall be* ready at his side.
13 It shall devour the strength of his skin: *even* the firstborn of death shall devour his strength.**
14 His confidence shall be rooted out of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the king of terrors.
15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle, because *it is* none of his: brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.
16 His roots shall be dried up beneath, and above shall his branch be cut off.
17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall have no name in the street.
18 He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of the world.††
19 He shall neither have son nor nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.
20 They that come after *him* shall be astonied at his day, as they that went before were affrighted.‡‡§§
21 Surely such *are* the dwellings of the wicked, and this *is* the place *of him that* knoweth not God.

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§§ **16:22** a few...: Heb. years of number * **17:1** breath...: or, spirit is spent † **17:2** continue: Heb. lodge ‡ **17:6** aforetime: or, before them § **17:7** my members: or, my thoughts ** **17:9** be...: Heb. add strength †† **17:11** the thoughts: Heb. the possessions ‡‡ **17:12** short: Heb. near §§ **17:14** said: Heb. cried, or, called * **18:4** himself: Heb. his soul † **18:6** candle: or, lamp ‡ **18:10** laid: Heb. hidden § **18:11** drive: Heb. scatter ** **18:13** strength: Heb. bars †† **18:18** He...: Heb. They shall drive him ‡‡ **18:20** went...: or, lived with him §§ **18:20** were...: Heb. laid hold on horror

19

1 Then Job answered and said,
2 How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces with words?
3 These ten times have ye reproached me: ye are not ashamed *that* ye make yourselves strange to me.*
4 And be it indeed *that* I have erred, mine error remaineth with myself.
5 If indeed ye will magnify *yourselves* against me, and plead against me my reproach:
6 Know now that God hath overthrown me, and hath compassed me with his net.
7 Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but *there is* no judgment.†
8 He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and he hath set darkness in my paths.
9 He hath stripped me of my glory, and taken the crown *from* my head.
10 He hath destroyed me on every side, and I am gone: and mine hope hath he removed like a tree.
11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and he counteth me unto him as *one of* his enemies.
12 His troops come together, and raise up their way against me, and encamp round about my tabernacle.
13 He hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance are verily estranged from me.
14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends have forgotten me.
15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight.
16 I called my servant, and he gave *me* no answer; I intreated him with my mouth.
17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the children's *sake* of mine own body.‡
18 Yea, young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.§
19 All my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are turned against me.**
20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.††
21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me.
22 Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?
23 Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!‡‡
24 That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!
25 For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth:
26 And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body*, yet in my flesh shall I see God:§§
27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; *though* my reins be consumed within me.***†††‡‡‡
28 But ye should say, Why persecute we him, seeing the root of the matter is found in me?§§§
29 Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath *bringeth* the punishments of the sword, that ye may know *there is* a judgment.

20

1 Then answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,
2 Therefore do my thoughts cause me to answer, and for *this* I make haste.*
3 I have heard the check of my reproach, and the spirit of my understanding causeth me to answer.
4 Knowest thou *not* this of old, since man was placed upon earth,
5 That the triumphing of the wicked *is* short, and the joy of the hypocrite *but* for a moment?†
6 Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his head reach unto the clouds;‡

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* **19:3** make...: or, harden yourselves against me † **19:7** wrong: or, violence ‡ **19:17** mine...: Heb. my belly § **19:18** young...: or, the wicked ** **19:19** my...: Heb. the men of my secret †† **19:20** and to: or, as to ‡‡ **19:23** Oh...: Heb. Who will give, etc §§ **19:26** And...: or, After I shall awake, though this body be destroyed, yet out of my flesh *** **19:27** another: Heb. a stranger ††† **19:27** though...: or, my reins within me are consumed with earnest desire (for that day) ‡‡‡ **19:27** within...: Heb. in my bosom §§§ **19:28** seeing...: or, and what root of matter is found in me? * **20:2** I make...: Heb. my haste is in me † **20:5** short: Heb. from near ‡ **20:6** clouds: Heb. cloud

7 *Yet* he shall perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say,
Where *is* he?
8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a
vision of the night.
9 The eye also *which* saw him shall *see him* no more; neither shall his place any more
behold him.
10 His children shall seek to please the poor, and his hands shall restore their goods.§
11 His bones are full *of the sin* of his youth, which shall lie down with him in the dust.
12 Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, *though* he hide it under his tongue;
13 *Though* he spare it, and forsake it not; but keep it still within his mouth:**
14 *Yet* his meat in his bowels is turned, *it is* the gall of asps within him.
15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them
out of his belly.
16 He shall suck the poison of asps: the viper's tongue shall slay him.
17 He shall not see the rivers, the floods, the brooks of honey and butter.††
18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not swallow *it* down: according
to *his* substance *shall* the restitution *be*, and he shall not rejoice *therein*.‡‡
19 Because he hath oppressed *and* hath forsaken the poor; *because* he hath violently
taken away an house which he builded not;§§
20 Surely he shall not feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that which he
desired.***
21 There shall none of his meat be left; therefore shall no man look for his goods.†††
22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: every hand of the wicked shall
come upon him.‡‡‡
23 *When* he is about to fill his belly, *God* shall cast the fury of his wrath upon him, and
shall rain *it* upon him while he is eating.
24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, *and* the bow of steel shall strike him through.
25 It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea, the glittering sword cometh out of his
gall: terrors *are* upon him.
26 All darkness *shall be* hid in his secret places: a fire not blown shall consume him; it
shall go ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.
27 The heaven shall reveal his iniquity; and the earth shall rise up against him.
28 The increase of his house shall depart, *and his goods* shall flow away in the day of his
wrath.
29 This *is* the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage appointed unto him by
God.§§§

21

1 But Job answered and said,
2 Hear diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.
3 Suffer me that I may speak; and after that I have spoken, mock on.
4 As for me, *is* my complaint to man? and if *it were so*, why should not my spirit be
troubled?*
5 Mark me, and be astonished, and lay *your* hand upon *your* mouth.†
6 Even when I remember I am afraid, and trembling taketh hold on my flesh.
7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?
8 Their seed is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.
9 Their houses *are* safe from fear, neither *is* the rod of God upon them.‡
10 Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; their cow calveth, and casteth not her calf.
11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, and their children dance.
12 They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the sound of the organ.
13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.§
14 Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us; for we desire not the knowledge of thy
ways.

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§ **20:10** His children...: or, The poor shall oppress his children ** **20:13** within...: Heb. in the midst of his palate †† **20:17** the floods...: or, streaming brooks ‡‡ **20:18** his...: Heb. the substance of his exchange §§ **20:19** oppressed: Heb. crushed *** **20:20** feel: Heb. know ††† **20:21** none...: or, be none left for his meat ‡‡‡ **20:22** wicked: or, troublesome §§§ **20:29** appointed...: Heb. of his decree from God * **21:4** troubled: Heb. shortened? † **21:5** Mark...: Heb. Look unto me ‡ **21:9** safe...: Heb. peace from § **21:13** in wealth: or, in mirth

15 What *is* the Almighty, that we should serve him? and what profit should we have, if
we pray unto him?
16 Lo, their good *is* not in their hand: the counsel of the wicked is far from me.
17 How oft is the candle of the wicked put out! and *how oft* cometh their destruction upon
them! *God* distributeth sorrows in his anger.**
18 They are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm carrieth away.††
19 God layeth up his iniquity for his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know *it*.‡‡
20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drink of the wrath of the Almighty.
21 For what pleasure *hath* he in his house after him, when the number of his months is
cut off in the midst?
22 Shall *any* teach God knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.
23 One dieth in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.§§
24 His breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow.***
25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never eateth with pleasure.
26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the worms shall cover them.
27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices *which* ye wrongfully imagine against
me.
28 For ye say, Where *is* the house of the prince? and where *are* the dwelling places of the
wicked?†††
29 Have ye not asked them that go by the way? and do ye not know their tokens,
30 That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to
the day of wrath.‡‡‡
31 Who shall declare his way to his face? and who shall repay him *what* he hath done?
32 Yet shall he be brought to the grave, and shall remain in the tomb.§§§*
33 The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and every man shall draw after him,
as *there are* innumerable before him.
34 How then comfort ye me in vain, seeing in your answers there remaineth falsehood?†

22

1 Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,
2 Can a man be profitable unto God, as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?*
3 *Is it* any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? or *is it* gain *to him*, that thou
makest thy ways perfect?
4 Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he enter with thee into judgment?
5 *Is* not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?
6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and stripped the naked of
their clothing.†
7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from
the hungry.
8 But *as for* the mighty man, he had the earth; and the honourable man dwelt in it.‡§
9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.
10 Therefore snares *are* round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee;
11 Or darkness, *that* thou canst not see; and abundance of waters cover thee.
12 *Is* not God in the height of heaven? and behold the height of the stars, how high they
are!**
13 And thou sayest, How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?††
14 Thick clouds *are* a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of
heaven.
15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?
16 Which were cut down out of time, whose foundation was overflown with a flood:‡‡
17 Which said unto God, Depart from us: and what can the Almighty do for them?§§

** **21:17** candle: or, lamp †† **21:18** carrieth: Heb. stealeth ‡‡ **21:19** his iniquity: that is, the punishment of his iniquity §§ **21:23** his...: Heb. his very, or, the strength of, his perfection *** **21:24** breasts: or, milk pails ††† **21:28** the dwelling...: Heb. the tent of the tabernacles ‡‡‡ **21:30** wrath: Heb. wraths §§§ **21:32** grave: Heb. graves * **21:32** remain...: Heb. watch in the heap † **21:34** falsehood: Heb. transgression? * **22:2** as he...: or, if he may be profitable, doth his good success depend thereon? † **22:6** the naked...: Heb. the clothes of the naked ‡ **22:8** mighty...: Heb. man of arm § **22:8** honourable...: Heb. eminent, or, accepted for countenance ** **22:12** height of the stars: Heb. head of the stars †† **22:13** How: or, What ‡‡ **22:16** whose...: Heb. a flood was poured upon their foundation §§ **22:17** for: or, to

18 Yet he filled their houses with good *things:* but the counsel of the wicked is far from me.
19 The righteous see *it*, and are glad: and the innocent laugh them to scorn.
20 Whereas our substance is not cut down, but the remnant of them the fire consumeth.***†††
21 Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.‡‡‡
22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his words in thine heart.
23 If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.
24 Then shalt thou lay up gold as dust, and the *gold* of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.§§§
25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy defence, and thou shalt have plenty of silver.*†
26 For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God.
27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows.
28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.
29 When *men* are cast down, then thou shalt say, *There is* lifting up; and he shall save the humble person.‡
30 He shall deliver the island of the innocent: and it is delivered by the pureness of thine hands.§

23

1 Then Job answered and said,
2 Even to day *is* my complaint bitter: my stroke is heavier than my groaning.*
3 Oh that I knew where I might find him! *that* I might come *even* to his seat!
4 I would order *my* cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.
5 I would know the words *which* he would answer me, and understand what he would say unto me.
6 Will he plead against me with *his* great power? No; but he would put *strength* in me.
7 There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be delivered for ever from my judge.
8 Behold, I go forward, but he *is* not *there;* and backward, but I cannot perceive him:
9 On the left hand, where he doth work, but I cannot behold *him:* he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see *him:*
10 But he knoweth the way that I take: *when* he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.†
11 My foot hath held his steps, his way have I kept, and not declined.
12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary *food.*‡§
13 But he *is* in one *mind*, and who can turn him? and *what* his soul desireth, even *that* he doeth.
14 For he performeth *the thing that is* appointed for me: and many such *things are* with him.
15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider, I am afraid of him.
16 For God maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:
17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, *neither* hath he covered the darkness from my face.

24

1 Why, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, do they that know him not see his days?
2 *Some* remove the landmarks; they violently take away flocks, and feed *thereof.**
3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they take the widow's ox for a pledge.
4 They turn the needy out of the way: the poor of the earth hide themselves together.
5 Behold, *as* wild asses in the desert, go they forth to their work; rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness *yieldeth* food for them *and* for *their* children.

*** **22:20** substance: or, estate ††† **22:20** the remnant...: or, their excellency ‡‡‡ **22:21** him: that is, God §§§ **22:24** as dust: or, on the dust * **22:25** defence: or, gold † **22:25** plenty...: Heb. silver of strength ‡ **22:29** the humble...: Heb. him that hath low eyes § **22:30** He shall...: or, The innocent shall deliver the island * **23:2** stroke: Heb. hand † **23:10** that...: Heb. that is with me ‡ **23:12** esteemed: Heb. hid, or, laid up § **23:12** my...: or, my appointed portion * **24:2** feed...: or, feed them

6 They reap *every one* his corn in the field: and they gather the vintage of the wicked.[†‡]
7 They cause the naked to lodge without clothing, that *they have* no covering in the cold.
8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and embrace the rock for want of a shelter.
9 They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor.
10 They cause *him* to go naked without clothing, and they take away the sheaf *from* the hungry;
11 *Which* make oil within their walls, *and* tread *their* winepresses, and suffer thirst.
12 Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of the wounded crieth out: yet God layeth not folly *to them*.
13 They are of those that rebel against the light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.
14 The murderer rising with the light killeth the poor and needy, and in the night is as a thief.
15 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying, No eye shall see me: and disguiseth *his* face.[§]
16 In the dark they dig through houses, *which* they had marked for themselves in the daytime: they know not the light.
17 For the morning *is* to them even as the shadow of death: if *one* know *them, they are in* the terrors of the shadow of death.
18 He *is* swift as the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.
19 Drought and heat consume the snow waters: *so doth* the grave *those which* have sinned.[**]
20 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and wickedness shall be broken as a tree.
21 He evil entreateth the barren *that* beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.
22 He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth up, and no *man* is sure of life.[††]
23 *Though* it be given him *to be* in safety, whereon he resteth; yet his eyes *are* upon their ways.
24 They are exalted for a little while, but are gone and brought low; they are taken out of the way as all *other*, and cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.[‡‡§§]
25 And if *it be* not *so* now, who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?

25

1 Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
2 Dominion and fear *are* with him, he maketh peace in his high places.
3 Is there any number of his armies? and upon whom doth not his light arise?
4 How then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean *that is* born of a woman?
5 Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight.
6 How much less man, *that is* a worm? and the son of man, *which is* a worm?

26

1 But Job answered and said,
2 How hast thou helped *him that is* without power? *how* savest thou the arm *that hath* no strength?
3 How hast thou counselled *him that hath* no wisdom? and *how* hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is?
4 To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?
5 Dead *things* are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof.[*]
6 Hell *is* naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.
7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, *and* hangeth the earth upon nothing.
8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.
9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, *and* spreadeth his cloud upon it.
10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.[†]

[†] **24:6** corn: Heb. mingled corn, or, dredge [‡] **24:6** they gather...: Heb. the wicked gather the vintage [§] **24:15** disguiseth...: Heb. setteth his face in secret [**] **24:19** consume: Heb. violently take [††] **24:22** no...: or, he trusteth not his own life [‡‡] **24:24** are gone: Heb. are not [§§] **24:24** taken...: Heb. closed up [*] **26:5** and the...: or, with the inhabitants [†] **26:10** until...: Heb. until the end of light with darkness

11 The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.
12 He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud.‡
13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.
14 Lo, these *are* parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?

27

1 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said,*
2 *As* God liveth, *who* hath taken away my judgment; and the Almighty, *who* hath vexed my soul;†
3 All the while my breath *is* in me, and the spirit of God *is* in my nostrils;‡
4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit.
5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not remove mine integrity from me.
6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach *me* so long as I live.§
7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.
8 For what *is* the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?
9 Will God hear his cry when trouble cometh upon him?
10 Will he delight himself in the Almighty? will he always call upon God?
11 I will teach you by the hand of God: *that* which *is* with the Almighty will I not conceal.**
12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen *it;* why then are ye thus altogether vain?
13 This *is* the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressors, *which* they shall receive of the Almighty.
14 If his children be multiplied, *it is* for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.
15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death: and his widows shall not weep.
16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay;
17 He may prepare *it*, but the just shall put *it* on, and the innocent shall divide the silver.
18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth *that* the keeper maketh.
19 The rich man shall lie down, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he *is* not.
20 Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.
21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.
22 For *God* shall cast upon him, and not spare: he would fain flee out of his hand.††
23 *Men* shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his place.

28

1 Surely there is a vein for the silver, and a place for gold *where* they fine *it*.*
2 Iron is taken out of the earth, and brass *is* molten *out of* the stone.†
3 He setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.
4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; *even the waters* forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from men.
5 *As for* the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire.
6 The stones of it *are* the place of sapphires: and it hath dust of gold.‡
7 *There is* a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:
8 The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it.
9 He putteth forth his hand upon the rock; he overturneth the mountains by the roots.§
10 He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every precious thing.
11 He bindeth the floods from overflowing; and *the thing that is* hid bringeth he forth to light.**
12 But where shall wisdom be found? and where *is* the place of understanding?
13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living.

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‡ **26:12** the proud: Heb. pride * **27:1** continued: Heb. added to take up † **27:2** vexed...: Heb. made my soul bitter ‡ **27:3** the spirit...: that is, the breath which God gave him § **27:6** so long...: Heb. from my days ** **27:11** by...: or, being in the hand, etc †† **27:22** he...: Heb. in fleeing he would flee * **28:1** vein: or, mine † **28:2** earth: or, dust ‡ **28:6** dust...: or, gold ore § **28:9** rock: or, flint ** **28:11** overflowing: Heb. weeping

14 The depth saith, It *is* not in me: and the sea saith, *It is* not with me.
15 It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed *for* the price thereof.††
16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.
17 The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it *shall not be for* jewels of fine gold.‡‡
18 No mention shall be made of coral, or of pearls: for the price of wisdom *is* above rubies.§§
19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.
20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where *is* the place of understanding?
21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air.***
22 Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears.
23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.
24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, *and* seeth under the whole heaven;
25 To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.
26 When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:
27 Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.†††
28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that *is* wisdom; and to depart from evil *is* understanding.

29

1 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said,*
2 Oh that I were as *in* months past, as *in* the days *when* God preserved me;
3 When his candle shined upon my head, *and when* by his light I walked *through* darkness;†
4 As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God *was* upon my tabernacle;
5 When the Almighty *was* yet with me, *when* my children *were* about me;
6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured me out rivers of oil;‡
7 When I went out to the gate through the city, *when* I prepared my seat in the street!
8 The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, *and* stood up.
9 The princes refrained talking, and laid *their* hand on their mouth.
10 The nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.§
11 When the ear heard *me*, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw *me*, it gave witness to me:
12 Because I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and *him that had* none to help him.
13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.
14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment *was* as a robe and a diadem.
15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet *was* I to the lame.
16 I *was* a father to the poor: and the cause *which* I knew not I searched out.
17 And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.**††
18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply *my* days as the sand.
19 My root *was* spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch.‡‡
20 My glory *was* fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand.§§***
21 Unto me *men* gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.
22 After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.
23 And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide *as* for the latter rain.
24 *If* I laughed on them, they believed *it* not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.
25 I chose out their way, and sat chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one *that* comforteth the mourners.

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†† **28:15** It...: Heb. Fine gold shall not be given for it ‡‡ **28:17** jewels...: or, vessels of §§ **28:18** coral: or, Ramoth *** **28:21** air: or, heaven ††† **28:27** declare...: or, number it * **29:1** continued: Heb. added to take up † **29:3** candle: or, lamp ‡ **29:6** me: Heb. with me § **29:10** The nobles...: Heb. The voice of the nobles was hid ** **29:17** the jaws: Heb. the jawteeth, or, the grinders †† **29:17** plucked: Heb. cast ‡‡ **29:19** spread...: Heb. opened §§ **29:20** fresh: Heb. new *** **29:20** renewed: Heb. changed

30

1 But now *they that are* younger than I have me in derision, whose fathers I would have
disdained to have set with the dogs of my flock.*
2 Yea, whereto *might* the strength of their hands *profit* me, in whom old age was perished?
3 For want and famine *they were* solitary; fleeing into the wilderness in former time
desolate and waste.†‡
4 Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and juniper roots *for* their meat.
5 They were driven forth from among *men*, (they cried after them as *after* a thief;)
6 To dwell in the clifts of the valleys, *in* caves of the earth, and *in* the rocks.§
7 Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were gathered together.
8 *They were* children of fools, yea, children of base men: they were viler than the earth.**
9 And now am I their song, yea, I am their byword.
10 They abhor me, they flee far from me, and spare not to spit in my face.††
11 Because he hath loosed my cord, and afflicted me, they have also let loose the bridle
before me.
12 Upon *my* right *hand* rise the youth; they push away my feet, and they raise up against
me the ways of their destruction.
13 They mar my path, they set forward my calamity, they have no helper.
14 They came *upon me* as a wide breaking in *of waters:* in the desolation they rolled
themselves *upon me*.
15 Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth
away as a cloud.‡‡
16 And now my soul is poured out upon me; the days of affliction have taken hold upon
me.
17 My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews take no rest.
18 By the great force *of my disease* is my garment changed: it bindeth me about as the
collar of my coat.
19 He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like dust and ashes.
20 I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me: I stand up, and thou regardest me *not*.
21 Thou art become cruel to me: with thy strong hand thou opposest thyself against
me.§§***
22 Thou liftest me up to the wind; thou causest me to ride *upon it*, and dissolvest my
substance.†††
23 For I know *that* thou wilt bring me *to* death, and *to* the house appointed for all living.
24 Howbeit he will not stretch out *his* hand to the grave, though they cry in his
destruction.‡‡‡
25 Did not I weep for him that was in trouble? was *not* my soul grieved for the poor?§§§
26 When I looked for good, then evil came *unto me:* and when I waited for light, there
came darkness.
27 My bowels boiled, and rested not: the days of affliction prevented me.
28 I went mourning without the sun: I stood up, *and* I cried in the congregation.
29 I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to owls.*
30 My skin is black upon me, and my bones are burned with heat.
31 My harp also is *turned* to mourning, and my organ into the voice of them that weep.

31

1 I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?
2 For what portion of God *is there* from above? and *what* inheritance of the Almighty
from on high?
3 *Is* not destruction to the wicked? and a strange *punishment* to the workers of iniquity?
4 Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps?
5 If I have walked with vanity, or if my foot hath hasted to deceit;
6 Let me be weighed in an even balance, that God may know mine integrity.*

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* **30:1** younger...: Heb. of fewer days than I † **30:3** solitary: or, dark as the night ‡ **30:3** in...: Heb. yesternight § **30:6** caves: Heb. holes ** **30:8** base...: Heb. men of no name †† **30:10** and...: Heb. and withhold not spittle from ‡‡ **30:15** my soul: Heb. my principal one §§ **30:21** become...: Heb. turned to be cruel *** **30:21** thy...: Heb. the strength of thy hand ††† **30:22** substance: or, wisdom ‡‡‡ **30:24** grave: Heb. heap §§§ **30:25** in trouble: Heb. hard of day? * **30:29** owls: or, ostriches * **31:6** Let...: Heb. Let him weigh me in balances of justice

7 If my step hath turned out of the way, and mine heart walked after mine eyes, and if
any blot hath cleaved to mine hands;
8 *Then* let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out.
9 If mine heart have been deceived by a woman, or *if* I have laid wait at my neighbour's
door;
10 *Then* let my wife grind unto another, and let others bow down upon her.
11 For this *is* an heinous crime; yea, it *is* an iniquity *to be punished by* the judges.
12 For it *is* a fire *that* consumeth to destruction, and would root out all mine increase.
13 If I did despise the cause of my manservant or of my maidservant, when they
contended with me;
14 What then shall I do when God riseth up? and when he visiteth, what shall I answer
him?
15 Did not he that made me in the womb make him? and did not one fashion us in the
womb?†
16 If I have withheld the poor from *their* desire, or have caused the eyes of the widow to
fail;
17 Or have eaten my morsel myself alone, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof;
18 (For from my youth he was brought up with me, as *with* a father, and I have guided her
from my mother's womb;)‡
19 If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering;
20 If his loins have not blessed me, and *if* he were *not* warmed with the fleece of my sheep;
21 If I have lifted up my hand against the fatherless, when I saw my help in the gate:
22 *Then* let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm be broken from the
bone.§
23 For destruction *from* God *was* a terror to me, and by reason of his highness I could not
endure.
24 If I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine gold, *Thou art* my confidence;
25 If I rejoiced because my wealth *was* great, and because mine hand had gotten much;**
26 If I beheld the sun when it shined, or the moon walking *in* brightness;††‡‡
27 And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand:§§
28 This also *were* an iniquity *to be punished by* the judge: for I should have denied the God
that is above.
29 If I rejoiced at the destruction of him that hated me, or lifted up myself when evil found
him:
30 Neither have I suffered my mouth to sin by wishing a curse to his soul.***
31 If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied.
32 The stranger did not lodge in the street: *but* I opened my doors to the traveller.†††
33 If I covered my transgressions as Adam, by hiding mine iniquity in my bosom:‡‡‡
34 Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrify me, that I kept
silence, *and* went not out of the door?
35 Oh that one would hear me! behold, my desire *is, that* the Almighty would answer me,
and *that* mine adversary had written a book.§§§
36 Surely I would take it upon my shoulder, *and* bind it *as* a crown to me.
37 I would declare unto him the number of my steps; as a prince would I go near unto
him.
38 If my land cry against me, or that the furrows likewise thereof complain;*
39 If I have eaten the fruits thereof without money, or have caused the owners thereof to
lose their life:†‡
40 Let thistles grow instead of wheat, and cockle instead of barley. The words of Job are
ended.§

32

1 So these three men ceased to answer Job, because he *was* righteous in his own eyes.*

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† **31:15** did not one...: or, did he not fashion us in one womb? ‡ **31:18** her: that is, the widow § **31:22** bone: or, chanelbone ** **31:25** gotten...: Heb. found much †† **31:26** sun: Heb. light ‡‡ **31:26** in...: Heb. bright §§ **31:27** my mouth...: Heb. my hand hath kissed my mouth *** **31:30** mouth: Heb. palate ††† **31:32** traveller: or, way ‡‡‡ **31:33** as Adam: or, after the manner of men §§§ **31:35** my...: or, my sign is that the Almighty will * **31:38** complain: Heb. weep † **31:39** fruits: Heb. strength ‡ **31:39** the owners...: Heb. the soul of the owners thereof to expire, or, breathe out § **31:40** cockle: or, noisome weeds * **32:1** to...: Heb. from answering

2 Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of
Ram: against Job was his wrath kindled, because he justified himself rather than God.†
3 Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled, because they had found no answer,
and *yet* had condemned Job.
4 Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken, because they *were* elder than he.‡§
5 When Elihu saw that *there was* no answer in the mouth of *these* three men, then his
wrath was kindled.
6 And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and said, I *am* young, and ye *are*
very old; wherefore I was afraid, and durst not shew you mine opinion.**††
7 I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.
8 But *there is* a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understand-
ing.
9 Great men are not *always* wise: neither do the aged understand judgment.
10 Therefore I said, Hearken to me; I also will shew mine opinion.
11 Behold, I waited for your words; I gave ear to your reasons, whilst ye searched out
what to say.‡‡§§
12 Yea, I attended unto you, and, behold, *there was* none of you that convinced Job, *or* that
answered his words:
13 Lest ye should say, We have found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.
14 Now he hath not directed *his* words against me: neither will I answer him with your
speeches.***
15 They were amazed, they answered no more: they left off speaking.†††
16 When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still, *and* answered no more;)
17 *I said*, I will answer also my part, I also will shew mine opinion.
18 For I am full of matter, the spirit within me constraineth me.‡‡‡§§§
19 Behold, my belly *is* as wine *which* hath no vent; it is ready to burst like new bottles.*
20 I will speak, that I may be refreshed: I will open my lips and answer.†
21 Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles
unto man.
22 For I know not to give flattering titles; *in so doing* my maker would soon take me away.

33

1 Wherefore, Job, I pray thee, hear my speeches, and hearken to all my words.
2 Behold, now I have opened my mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my mouth.*
3 My words *shall be of* the uprightness of my heart: and my lips shall utter knowledge
clearly.
4 The Spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life.
5 If thou canst answer me, set *thy words* in order before me, stand up.
6 Behold, I *am* according to thy wish in God's stead: I also am formed out of the clay.†‡
7 Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heavy upon thee.
8 Surely thou hast spoken in mine hearing, and I have heard the voice of *thy* words,
saying,§
9 I am clean without transgression, I *am* innocent; neither *is there* iniquity in me.
10 Behold, he findeth occasions against me, he counteth me for his enemy,
11 He putteth my feet in the stocks, he marketh all my paths.
12 Behold, *in* this thou art not just: I will answer thee, that God is greater than man.
13 Why dost thou strive against him? for he giveth not account of any of his matters.**
14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, *yet man* perceiveth it not.
15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings
upon the bed;
16 Then he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction,††
17 That he may withdraw man *from his* purpose, and hide pride from man.‡‡

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† **32:2** himself: Heb. his soul ‡ **32:4** waited...: Heb. expected Job in words § **32:4** elder: Heb. elder for days ** **32:6** young: Heb. few of days †† **32:6** durst...: Heb. feared ‡‡ **32:11** reasons: Heb. understandings §§ **32:11** what...: Heb. words *** **32:14** directed: or, ordered ††† **32:15** left...: Heb. removed speeches from themselves ‡‡‡ **32:18** matter: Heb. words §§§ **32:18** spirit...: Heb. spirit of my belly * **32:19** hath...: Heb. is not opened † **32:20** be...: Heb. breathe * **33:2** in my mouth: Heb. in my palate † **33:6** wish: Heb. mouth ‡ **33:6** formed: Heb. cut § **33:8** hearing: Heb. ears ** **33:13** he giveth...: Heb. he answereth not †† **33:16** he...: Heb. he revealeth, or, uncovereth ‡‡ **33:17** purpose: Heb. work

18 He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life from perishing by the sword.§§
19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong *pain:*
20 So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soul dainty meat.***
21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his bones *that* were not seen stick out.
22 Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers.
23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness:
24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom.†††
25 His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:‡‡‡
26 He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.
27 He looketh upon men, and *if any* say, I have sinned, and perverted *that which was* right, and it profited me not;§§§
28 He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.*
29 Lo, all these *things* worketh God oftentimes with man,†
30 To bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.
31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will speak.
32 If thou hast any thing to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to justify thee.
33 If not, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.

34

1 Furthermore Elihu answered and said,
2 Hear my words, O ye wise *men;* and give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.
3 For the ear trieth words, as the mouth tasteth meat.*
4 Let us choose to us judgment: let us know among ourselves what *is* good.
5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath taken away my judgment.
6 Should I lie against my right? my wound *is* incurable without transgression.†
7 What man *is* like Job, *who* drinketh up scorning like water?
8 Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and walketh with wicked men.
9 For he hath said, It profiteth a man nothing that he should delight himself with God.
10 Therefore hearken unto me, ye men of understanding: far be it from God, *that he should do* wickedness; and *from* the Almighty, *that he should commit* iniquity.‡
11 For the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every man to find according to *his* ways.
12 Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty pervert judgment.
13 Who hath given him a charge over the earth? or who hath disposed the whole world?§
14 If he set his heart upon man, *if* he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath;**
15 All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust.
16 If now *thou hast* understanding, hear this: hearken to the voice of my words.
17 Shall even he that hateth right govern? and wilt thou condemn him that is most just?††
18 *Is it fit* to say to a king, *Thou art* wicked? *and* to princes, *Ye are* ungodly?
19 *How much less to him* that accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more than the poor? for they all *are* the work of his hands.
20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.‡‡
21 For his eyes *are* upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings.
22 *There is* no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.
23 For he will not lay upon man more *than right;* that he should enter into judgment with God.§§

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§§ **33:18** from perishing: Heb. from passing *** **33:20** dainty...: Heb. meat of desire ††† **33:24** a ransom: or, an atonement ‡‡‡ **33:25** a child's: Heb. childhood §§§ **33:27** He...: or, He shall look upon men, and say * **33:28** He...: or, He hath delivered my soul, etc, and my life † **33:29** oftentimes: Heb. twice and thrice * **34:3** mouth: Heb. palate † **34:6** my wound: Heb. mine arrow ‡ **34:10** men...: Heb. men of heart § **34:13** the whole: Heb. all of it? ** **34:14** man: Heb. him †† **34:17** govern: Heb. bind? ‡‡ **34:20** the mighty...: Heb. they shall take away the mighty §§ **34:23** enter: Heb. go

24 He shall break in pieces mighty men without number, and set others in their stead.***
25 Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth *them* in the night, so that they
are destroyed.†††
26 He striketh them as wicked men in the open sight of others;‡‡‡
27 Because they turned back from him, and would not consider any of his ways:§§§
28 So that they cause the cry of the poor to come unto him, and he heareth the cry of the
afflicted.
29 When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when he hideth *his* face,
who then can behold him? whether *it be done* against a nation, or against a man only:
30 That the hypocrite reign not, lest the people be ensnared.
31 Surely it is meet to be said unto God, I have borne *chastisement*, I will not offend *any
more:*
32 *That which* I see not teach thou me: if I have done iniquity, I will do no more.
33 *Should it be* according to thy mind? he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or
whether thou choose; and not I: therefore speak what thou knowest.*
34 Let men of understanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken unto me.†
35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words *were* without wisdom.
36 My desire *is that* Job may be tried unto the end because of *his* answers for wicked men.‡
37 For he addeth rebellion unto his sin, he clappeth *his hands* among us, and multiplieth
his words against God.

35

1 Elihu spake moreover, and said,
2 Thinkest thou this to be right, *that* thou saidst, My righteousness *is* more than God's?
3 For thou saidst, What advantage will it be unto thee? *and*, What profit shall I have, *if I
be cleansed* from my sin?*
4 I will answer thee, and thy companions with thee.†
5 Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds *which* are higher than thou.
6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him? or *if* thy transgressions be multiplied,
what doest thou unto him?
7 If thou be righteous, what givest thou him? or what receiveth he of thine hand?
8 Thy wickedness *may hurt* a man as thou *art;* and thy righteousness *may profit* the son
of man.
9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make *the oppressed* to cry: they cry out
by reason of the arm of the mighty.
10 But none saith, Where *is* God my maker, who giveth songs in the night;
11 Who teacheth us more than the beasts of the earth, and maketh us wiser than the fowls
of heaven?
12 There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.
13 Surely God will not hear vanity, neither will the Almighty regard it.
14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, *yet* judgment *is* before him; therefore
trust thou in him.
15 But now, because *it is* not *so*, he hath visited in his anger; yet he knoweth *it* not in great
extremity:‡§
16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words without knowledge.

36

1 Elihu also proceeded, and said,
2 Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee that *I have* yet to speak on God's behalf.*
3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.
4 For truly my words *shall* not *be* false: he that is perfect in knowledge *is* with thee.
5 Behold, God *is* mighty, and despiseth not *any: he is* mighty in strength *and* wisdom.†
6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giveth right to the poor.‡
7 He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings *are they* on the throne;
yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.

*** **34:24** number: Heb. searching out ††† **34:25** destroyed: Heb. crushed ‡‡‡ **34:26** open...: Heb. place of beholders §§§ **34:27** him: Heb. after him * **34:33** according...: Heb. from with thee? † **34:34** of...: Heb. of heart ‡ **34:36** My...: or, My father, let Job be tried * **35:3** if...: or, by it more than by my sin † **35:4** answer...: Heb. return to thee words ‡ **35:15** he hath: that is, God hath § **35:15** he knoweth: that is, Job knoweth * **36:2** I have...: Heb. there are yet words for God † **36:5** wisdom: Heb. heart ‡ **36:6** poor: or, afflicted

8 And if *they be* bound in fetters, *and* be holden in cords of affliction;
9 Then he sheweth them their work, and their transgressions that they have exceeded.
10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity.
11 If they obey and serve *him*, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures.
12 But if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.§
13 But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they cry not when he bindeth them.
14 They die in youth, and their life *is* among the unclean.**††
15 He delivereth the poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears in oppression.‡‡
16 Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait *into* a broad place, where *there is* no straitness; and that which should be set on thy table *should be* full of fatness.§§
17 But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked: judgment and justice take hold *on thee*.***
18 Because *there is* wrath, *beware* lest he take thee away with *his* stroke: then a great ransom cannot deliver thee.†††
19 Will he esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.
20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.
21 Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.
22 Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him?
23 Who hath enjoined him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?
24 Remember that thou magnify his work, which men behold.
25 Every man may see it; man may behold *it* afar off.
26 Behold, God *is* great, and we know *him* not, neither can the number of his years be searched out.
27 For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof:
28 Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon man abundantly.
29 Also can *any* understand the spreadings of the clouds, *or* the noise of his tabernacle?
30 Behold, he spreadeth his light upon it, and covereth the bottom of the sea.‡‡‡
31 For by them judgeth he the people; he giveth meat in abundance.
32 With clouds he covereth the light; and commandeth it *not to shine* by *the cloud* that cometh betwixt.
33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattle also concerning the vapour.§§§

37

1 At this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.
2 Hear attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of his mouth.*
3 He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his lightning unto the ends of the earth.†‡
4 After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.
5 God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend.
6 For he saith to the snow, Be thou *on* the earth; likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of his strength.§
7 He sealeth up the hand of every man; that all men may know his work.
8 Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their places.
9 Out of the south cometh the whirlwind: and cold out of the north.**††
10 By the breath of God frost is given: and the breadth of the waters is straitened.
11 Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth his bright cloud:‡‡
12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may do whatsoever he commandeth them upon the face of the world in the earth.

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§ **36:12** perish: Heb. pass away ** **36:14** They...: Heb. Their soul dieth †† **36:14** unclean: or, sodomites ‡‡ **36:15** poor: or, afflicted §§ **36:16** that...: Heb. the rest of thy table *** **36:17** take...: or, should uphold thee ††† **36:18** deliver...: Heb. turn thee aside ‡‡‡ **36:30** bottom: Heb. roots §§§ **36:33** the vapour: Heb. that which goeth up * **37:2** Hear...: Heb. Hear in hearing † **37:3** lightning: Heb. light ‡ **37:3** ends: Heb. wings § **37:6** likewise...: Heb. and to the shower of rain, and to the showers of rain of his strength ** **37:9** south: Heb. chamber †† **37:9** north: Heb. scattering winds ‡‡ **37:11** his...: Heb. the cloud of his light

13 He causeth it to come, whether for correction, or for his land, or for mercy.§§
14 Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God.
15 Dost thou know when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine?
16 Dost thou know the balancings of the clouds, the wondrous works of him which is perfect in knowledge?
17 How thy garments *are* warm, when he quieteth the earth by the south *wind*?
18 Hast thou with him spread out the sky, *which is* strong, *and* as a molten looking glass?
19 Teach us what we shall say unto him; *for* we cannot order *our speech* by reason of darkness.
20 Shall it be told him that I speak? if a man speak, surely he shall be swallowed up.
21 And now *men* see not the bright light which *is* in the clouds: but the wind passeth, and cleanseth them.
22 Fair weather cometh out of the north: with God *is* terrible majesty.***
23 *Touching* the Almighty, we cannot find him out: *he is* excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict.
24 Men do therefore fear him: he respecteth not any *that are* wise of heart.

38

1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,
2 Who *is* this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?
3 Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.*
4 Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.†
5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?
6 Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;‡§
7 When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?
8 Or *who* shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, *as if* it had issued out of the womb?
9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it,
10 And brake up for it my decreed *place*, and set bars and doors,**
11 And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed?††
12 Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; *and* caused the dayspring to know his place;
13 That it might take hold of the ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken out of it?‡‡
14 It is turned as clay *to* the seal; and they stand as a garment.
15 And from the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arm shall be broken.
16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?
17 Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?
18 Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all.
19 Where *is* the way *where* light dwelleth? and *as for* darkness, where *is* the place thereof,
20 That thou shouldest take it to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths *to* the house thereof?§§
21 Knowest thou *it*, because thou wast then born? or *because* the number of thy days *is* great?
22 Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,
23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?
24 By what way is the light parted, *which* scattereth the east wind upon the earth?

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§§ **37:13** correction: Heb. a rod *** **37:22** Fair...: Heb. Gold * **38:3** answer...: Heb. make me know † **38:4** hast...: Heb. knowest understanding ‡ **38:6** foundations: Heb. sockets § **38:6** fastened: Heb. made to sink? ** **38:10** brake...: or, established my decree upon it †† **38:11** thy...: Heb. the pride of thy waves ‡‡ **38:13** ends: Heb. wings §§ **38:20** to the bound: or, at, etc

25 Who hath divided a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the
lightning of thunder;
26 To cause it to rain on the earth, *where* no man *is; on* the wilderness, wherein *there is*
no man;
27 To satisfy the desolate and waste *ground;* and to cause the bud of the tender herb to
spring forth?
28 Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew?
29 Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered
it?
30 The waters are hid as *with* a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen.***
31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?†††‡‡‡
32 Canst thou bring forth Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou guide Arcturus with his
sons?§§§*
33 Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the
earth?
34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?
35 Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go, and say unto thee, Here we *are*?†
36 Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the
heart?
37 Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can stay the bottles of heaven,‡
38 When the dust groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?§
39 Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions,**
40 When they couch in *their* dens, *and* abide in the covert to lie in wait?
41 Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander
for lack of meat.

39

1 Knowest thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? *or* canst thou mark
when the hinds do calve?
2 Canst thou number the months *that* they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they
bring forth?
3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.
4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up with corn; they go forth, and return
not unto them.
5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?
6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the barren land his dwellings.*
7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the driver.†
8 The range of the mountains *is* his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.
9 Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?
10 Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys
after thee?
11 Wilt thou trust him, because his strength *is* great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?
12 Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather *it into* thy barn?
13 *Gavest thou* the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings and feathers unto the
ostrich?‡
14 Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,
15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.
16 She is hardened against her young ones, as though *they were* not hers: her labour is in
vain without fear;
17 Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her under-
standing.
18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.
19 Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?
20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper? the glory of his nostrils *is* terrible.§

*** **38:30** is...: Heb. is taken ††† **38:31** Pleiades: or, the seven stars: Heb. Cimah ‡‡‡ **38:31** Orion: Heb. Cesil? §§§ **38:32** Mazzaroth: or, the twelve signs * **38:32** guide: Heb. guide them † **38:35** Here...: Heb. Behold us? ‡ **38:37** stay: Heb. cause to lie down § **38:38** groweth...: or, is turned into mire: Heb. is poured ** **38:39** the appetite: Heb. the life * **39:6** barren...: Heb. salt places † **39:7** of the driver: Heb. of the exactor ‡ **39:13** wings and...: or, the feathers of the stork and ostrich § **39:20** terrible: Heb. terror

21 He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in *his* strength: he goeth on to meet the armed
men.**††
22 He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword.
23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.
24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither believeth he that *it is* the
sound of the trumpet.
25 He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder
of the captains, and the shouting.
26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, *and* stretch her wings toward the south?
27 Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?‡‡
28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.
29 From thence she seeketh the prey, *and* her eyes behold afar off.
30 Her young ones also suck up blood: and where the slain *are*, there *is* she.

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1 Moreover the LORD answered Job, and said,
2 Shall he that contendeth with the Almighty instruct *him*? he that reproveth God, let him
answer it.
3 ¶ Then Job answered the LORD, and said,
4 Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.
5 Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further.
6 ¶ Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,
7 Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.
8 Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be
righteous?
9 Hast thou an arm like God? or canst thou thunder with a voice like him?
10 Deck thyself now *with* majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty.
11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one *that is* proud, and abase him.
12 Look on every one *that is* proud, *and* bring him low; and tread down the wicked in
their place.
13 Hide them in the dust together; *and* bind their faces in secret.
14 Then will I also confess unto thee that thine own right hand can save thee.
15 ¶ Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox.*
16 Lo now, his strength *is* in his loins, and his force *is* in the navel of his belly.
17 He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.†
18 His bones *are as* strong pieces of brass; his bones *are* like bars of iron.
19 He *is* the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach
unto him.
20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play.
21 He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.
22 The shady trees cover him *with* their shadow; the willows of the brook compass him
about.
23 Behold, he drinketh up a river, *and* hasteth not: he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan
into his mouth.‡
24 He taketh it with his eyes: *his* nose pierceth through snares.§

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1 Canst thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord *which* thou
lettest down?*†
2 Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?
3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft *words* unto thee?
4 Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?
5 Wilt thou play with him as *with* a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?
6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the
merchants?
7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?

** **39:21** He paweth: or, His feet dig †† **39:21** the armed...: Heb. the armour ‡‡ **39:27** at...: Heb. by thy mouth
* **40:15** behemoth: probably an extinct animal of some kind † **40:17** He...: or, He setteth up ‡ **40:23** he drinketh up: Heb. he oppresseth § **40:24** He...: or, Will any take him in his sight, or, bore his nose with a gin? * **41:1** leviathan: probably an extinct animal of some kind † **41:1** which...: Heb. which thou drownest?

8 Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.
9 Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not *one* be cast down even at the sight of him?
10 None *is so* fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?
11 Who hath prevented me, that I should repay *him? whatsoever is* under the whole heaven is mine.
12 I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.
13 Who can discover the face of his garment? *or* who can come *to him* with his double bridle?‡
14 Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth *are* terrible round about.
15 *His* scales *are his* pride, shut up together *as with* a close seal.§
16 One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.
17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.
18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes *are* like the eyelids of the morning.
19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, *and* sparks of fire leap out.
20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as *out* of a seething pot or caldron.
21 His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.
22 In his neck remaineth strength, and sorrow is turned into joy before him.**
23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.††
24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether *millstone*.
25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.
26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon.‡‡
27 He esteemeth iron as straw, *and* brass as rotten wood.
28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.
29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.
30 Sharp stones *are* under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.§§
31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.
32 He maketh a path to shine after him; *one* would think the deep *to be* hoary.
33 Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.***
34 He beholdeth all high *things:* he *is* a king over all the children of pride.

42

1 Then Job answered the LORD, and said,
2 I know that thou canst do every *thing*, and *that* no thought can be withholden from thee.*
3 Who *is* he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.
4 Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.
5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.
6 Wherefore I abhor *myself*, and repent in dust and ashes.
7 ¶ And it was *so*, that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me *the thing that is* right, as my servant Job *hath*.
8 Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: for him will I accept: lest I deal with you *after your* folly, in that ye have not spoken of me *the thing which is* right, like my servant Job.†
9 So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite *and* Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted Job.‡
10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.§
11 Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned

‡ **41:13** with: or, within § **41:15** scales: Heb. strong pieces of shields ** **41:22** is turned into joy: Heb. rejoiceth †† **41:23** flakes: Heb. fallings ‡‡ **41:26** habergeon: or, breastplate §§ **41:30** Sharp stones: Heb. Sharp pieces of potsherd *** **41:33** is made without fear: or, behave themselves without fear * **42:2** no thought can be...: or, no thought of thine can be hindered † **42:8** him: Heb. his face, or, person ‡ **42:9** Job: Heb. the face of Job § **42:10** gave...: Heb. added all that had been to Job unto the double

him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.

13 He had also seven sons and three daughters.

14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second, Kezia; and the name of the third, Keren-happuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found *so* fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.

16 After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, *even* four generations.

17 So Job died, *being* old and full of days.

The Book of Psalms

1

1 Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way
of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.*
2 But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.
3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in
his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.†

4 The ungodly *are* not so: but *are* like the chaff which the wind driveth away.
5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of
the righteous.
6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

2

1 Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?*†
2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the
LORD, and against his anointed, *saying,*
3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.
4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.
5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.‡
6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.§**

7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou *art* my Son; this day have I
begotten thee.††
8 Ask of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen *for* thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts
of the earth *for* thy possession.
9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's
vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.
11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.
12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish *from* the way, when his wrath is kindled but
a little. Blessed *are* all they that put their trust in him.

3

A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son.
1 LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! many *are* they that rise up against me.
2 Many *there be* which say of my soul, *There is* no help for him in God. Selah.
3 But thou, O LORD, *art* a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.*

4 I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.
5 I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me.
6 I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set *themselves* against me round
about.
7 Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies *upon* the cheek
bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.
8 Salvation *belongeth* unto the LORD: thy blessing *is* upon thy people. Selah.

4

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm of David.
1 Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me *when I was* in
distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.*†
2 O ye sons of men, how long *will ye turn* my glory into shame? *how long* will ye love vanity,
and seek after leasing? Selah.

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* **1:1** ungodly: or, wicked † **1:3** wither: Heb. fade * **2:1** rage: or, tumultuously assemble † **2:1** imagine: Heb. meditate ‡ **2:5** vex: or, trouble § **2:6** set: Heb. anointed ** **2:6** upon...: Heb. upon Zion, the hill of my holiness †† **2:7** the decree: or, for a decree * **3:3** for: or, about * **4:1** chief...: or, overseer † **4:1** have...: or, be gracious unto me

3 But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear
when I call unto him.
4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still.
Selah.
5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

6 *There be* many that say, Who will shew us *any* good? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy
countenance upon us.
7 Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time *that* their corn and their wine
increased.
8 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in
safety.

5

To the chief Musician upon Nehiloth, A Psalm of David.
1 Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.
2 Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.
3 My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer*
unto thee, and will look up.
4 For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.
5 The foolish shall not stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.*
6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful
man.†

7 But as for me, I will come *into* thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: *and* in thy fear will
I worship toward thy holy temple.‡
8 Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make thy way straight
before my face.§
9 For *there is* no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part *is* very wickedness; their
throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.**††‡‡
10 Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall by their own counsels; cast them out in the
multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.§§***
11 But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because
thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.†††
12 For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as *with* a
shield.‡‡‡

6

To the chief Musician on Neginoth upon Sheminith, A Psalm of David.
1 O LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.*†
2 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; for I *am* weak: O LORD, heal me; for my bones are vexed.
3 My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?
4 Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake.
5 For in death *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?
6 I am weary with my groaning; all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with
my tears.‡
7 Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.

8 Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard the voice of my
weeping.
9 The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer.
10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return *and* be ashamed
suddenly.

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* **5:5** in...: Heb. before thine eyes † **5:6** bloody...: Heb. man of bloods and deceit ‡ **5:7** thy holy...: Heb. the temple of thy holiness § **5:8** mine...: Heb. those which observe me ** **5:9** faithfulness: or, stedfastness †† **5:9** their mouth: Heb. his mouth, that is, the mouth of any of them ‡‡ **5:9** very...: Heb. wickednesses §§ **5:10** Destroy...: or, Make them guilty *** **5:10** by...: or, from their counsels ††† **5:11** defendest...: Heb. coverest over, or, protectest them ‡‡‡ **5:12** compass: Heb. crown * **6:1** chief...: or, overseer † **6:1** Sheminith: or, the eighth ‡ **6:6** all...: or, every night

7

Shiggaion of David, which he sang unto the LORD, concerning the words of Cush the Benjamite.
1 O LORD my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me:*
2 Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending *it* in pieces, while *there is* none to deliver.†
3 O LORD my God, if I have done this; if there be iniquity in my hands;
4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that was at peace with me; (yea, I have delivered him that without cause is mine enemy:)
5 Let the enemy persecute my soul, and take *it;* yea, let him tread down my life upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.
6 Arise, O LORD, in thine anger, lift up thyself because of the rage of mine enemies: and awake for me *to* the judgment *that* thou hast commanded.
7 So shall the congregation of the people compass thee about: for their sakes therefore return thou on high.
8 The LORD shall judge the people: judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity *that is* in me.
9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.

10 My defence *is* of God, which saveth the upright in heart.‡
11 God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry *with the wicked* every day.§
12 If he turn not, he will whet his sword; he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.
13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.
14 Behold, he travaileth with iniquity, and hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood.
15 He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch *which* he made.**
16 His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate.
17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousness: and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high.

8

To the chief Musician upon Gittith, A Psalm of David.
1 O LORD our Lord, how excellent *is* thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.
2 Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.*

3 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;
4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?
5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.
6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all *things* under his feet:
7 All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;†
8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, *and whatsoever* passeth through the paths of the seas.
9 O LORD our Lord, how excellent *is* thy name in all the earth!

9

To the chief Musician upon Muthlabben, A Psalm of David.
1 I will praise *thee*, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.
2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.
3 When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

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* **7:1** words: or, business † **7:2** none...: Heb. not a deliverer ‡ **7:10** My...: Heb. My buckler is upon God § **7:11** judgeth...: or, is a righteous judge ** **7:15** He made a pit: Heb. He hath digged a pit * **8:2** ordained: Heb. founded † **8:7** All...: Heb. Flocks and oxen all of them

4 For thou hast maintained my right and my cause; thou satest in the throne judging right.*†
5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked, thou hast put out their
name for ever and ever.
6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: and thou hast destroyed cities;
their memorial is perished with them.‡
7 But the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne for judgment.
8 And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the people
in uprightness.
9 The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.§
10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not
forsaken them that seek thee.

11 Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings.
12 When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: he forgetteth not the cry
of the humble.**
13 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; consider my trouble *which I suffer* of them that hate me,
thou that liftest me up from the gates of death:
14 That I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion: I will rejoice in
thy salvation.
15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit *that* they made: in the net which they hid is their
own foot taken.
16 The LORD is known *by* the judgment *which* he executeth: the wicked is snared in the
work of his own hands. Higgaion. Selah.††
17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, *and* all the nations that forget God.
18 For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall *not* perish
for ever.
19 Arise, O LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.
20 Put them in fear, O LORD: *that* the nations may know themselves *to be but* men. Selah.

10

1 Why standest thou afar off, O LORD? *why* hidest thou *thyself* in times of trouble?
2 The wicked in *his* pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they
have imagined.*
3 For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire, and blesseth the covetous, *whom* the LORD
abhorreth.†‡
4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God:* God *is* not in
all his thoughts.§
5 His ways are always grievous; thy judgments *are* far above out of his sight: *as for* all his
enemies, he puffeth at them.
6 He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: for *I shall* never *be* in adversity.**
7 His mouth is full of cursing and deceit and fraud: under his tongue *is* mischief and
vanity.††‡‡‡
8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doth he murder the
innocent: his eyes are privily set against the poor.§§
9 He lieth in wait secretly as a lion in his den: he lieth in wait to catch the poor: he doth
catch the poor, when he draweth him into his net.***
10 He croucheth, *and* humbleth himself, that the poor may fall by his strong ones.†††‡‡‡
11 He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see *it*.

12 Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up thine hand: forget not the humble.§§§

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* **9:4** maintained...: Heb. made my judgment † **9:4** judging right: Heb. judging in righteousness ‡ **9:6** O thou...: or, The destructions of the enemy are come to a perpetual end: and their cities hast thou destroyed, etc § **9:9** a refuge: Heb. an high place ** **9:12** humble: or, afflicted †† **9:16** Higgaion: that is, Meditation * **10:2** The wicked...: Heb. In the pride of the wicked he doth persecute † **10:3** heart's: Heb. soul's ‡ **10:3** blesseth...: or, the covetous blesseth himself, he abhorreth the LORD § **10:4** God is...: or, all his thoughts are, There is no God ** **10:6** never: Heb. unto generation and generation †† **10:7** deceit: Heb. deceits ‡‡ **10:7** vanity: or, iniquity §§ **10:8** are...: Heb. hide themselves *** **10:9** secretly: Heb. in the secret places ††† **10:10** He...: Heb. He breaketh himself ‡‡‡ **10:10** by...: or, into his strong parts §§§ **10:12** humble: or, afflicted

13 Wherefore doth the wicked contemn God? he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not
require *it*.
14 Thou hast seen *it;* for thou beholdest mischief and spite, to requite *it* with thy hand: the
poor committeth himself unto thee; thou art the helper of the fatherless.*
15 Break thou the arm of the wicked and the evil *man:* seek out his wickedness *till* thou find
none.
16 The LORD *is* King for ever and ever: the heathen are perished out of his land.
17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt
cause thine ear to hear:†
18 To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more
oppress.‡

11

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David.
1 In the LORD put I my trust: how say ye to my soul, Flee *as* a bird to your mountain?
2 For, lo, the wicked bend *their* bow, they make ready their arrow upon the string, that they
may privily shoot at the upright in heart.*
3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?

4 The LORD *is* in his holy temple, the LORD's throne *is* in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids
try, the children of men.
5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul
hateth.
6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: *this
shall be* the portion of their cup.†
7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright.

12

To the chief Musician upon Sheminith, A Psalm of David.
1 Help, LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of
men.*†
2 They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: *with* flattering lips *and* with a double
heart do they speak.‡
3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, *and* the tongue that speaketh proud things:§
4 Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips *are* our own: who *is* lord over
us?**
5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the
LORD; I will set *him* in safety *from him that* puffeth at him.††
6 The words of the LORD *are* pure words: *as* silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven
times.
7 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.‡‡
8 The wicked walk on every side, when the vilest men are exalted.§§

13

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 How long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from
me?*
2 How long shall I take counsel in my soul, *having* sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall
mine enemy be exalted over me?
3 Consider *and* hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the *sleep of* death;
4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; *and* those that trouble me rejoice
when I am moved.
5 But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.
6 I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with me.

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* **10:14** committeth: Heb. leaveth † **10:17** prepare: or, establish ‡ **10:18** oppress: or, terrify * **11:2** privily: Heb. in darkness † **11:6** an horrible...: or, a burning tempest * **12:1** upon...: or, upon the eighth † **12:1** Help: or, Save ‡ **12:2** a double...: Heb. an heart and an heart § **12:3** proud: Heb. great ** **12:4** are...: Heb. are with us †† **12:5** puffeth...: or, would ensnare him ‡‡ **12:7** them from: Heb. him, etc: that is, every one of them, etc §§ **12:8** men: Heb. of the sons of the men * **13:1** chief...: or, overseer

14

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David.
1 The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good.
2 The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, *and* seek God.
3 They are all gone aside, they are *all* together become filthy: *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one.*

4 Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.
5 There were they in great fear: for God *is* in the generation of the righteous.†
6 Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor, because the LORD *is* his refuge.
7 Oh that the salvation of Israel *were come* out of Zion! when the LORD bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.‡

15

A Psalm of David.
1 LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?*
2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.
3 *He that* backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.†
4 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. *He that* sweareth to *his own* hurt, and changeth not.
5 *He that* putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these *things* shall never be moved.

16

Michtam of David.
1 Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.*
2 *O my soul*, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou *art* my Lord: my goodness *extendeth* not to thee;
3 *But* to the saints that *are* in the earth, and *to* the excellent, in whom *is* all my delight.
4 Their sorrows shall be multiplied *that* hasten *after* another *god:* their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.†
5 The LORD *is* the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.‡
6 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant *places;* yea, I have a goodly heritage.
7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

8 I have set the LORD always before me: because *he is* at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.§
10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.
11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.

17

A Prayer of David.
1 Hear the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, *that goeth* not out of feigned lips.*†
2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.
3 Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited *me* in the night; thou hast tried me, *and* shalt find nothing; I am purposed *that* my mouth shall not transgress.
4 Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept *me from* the paths of the destroyer.

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* **14:3** filthy: Heb. stinking † **14:5** were...: Heb. they feared a fear ‡ **14:7** Oh...: Heb. Who will give * **15:1** abide: Heb. sojourn † **15:3** taketh...: or, receiveth, or, endureth * **16:1** Michtam: or, A golden Psalm † **16:4** hasten...: or, give gifts to another ‡ **16:5** of mine...: Heb. of my part § **16:9** rest...: Heb. dwell confidently * **17:1** the right: Heb. justice † **17:1** not...: Heb. without lips of deceit

5 Hold up my goings in thy paths, *that* my footsteps slip not.‡
6 I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God: incline thine ear unto me, *and hear* my speech.
7 Shew thy marvellous lovingkindness, O thou that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust *in thee* from those that rise up *against them*.§

8 Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings,
9 From the wicked that oppress me, *from* my deadly enemies, *who* compass me about.**††
10 They are inclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak proudly.
11 They have now compassed us in our steps: they have set their eyes bowing down to the earth;
12 Like as a lion *that* is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.‡‡§§
13 Arise, O LORD, disappoint him, cast him down: deliver my soul from the wicked, *which is* thy sword:***†††
14 From men *which are* thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, *which have* their portion in *this* life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid *treasure:* they are full of children, and leave the rest of their *substance* to their babes.‡‡‡§§§
15 As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.

18

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David, the servant of the LORD, who spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day *that* the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul: And he said,
1 I will love thee, O LORD, my strength.
2 The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, *and* my high tower.*
3 I will call upon the LORD, *who is worthy* to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.
4 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.†
5 The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me.‡
6 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, *even* into his ears.
7 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.
8 There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.§
9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness *was* under his feet.
10 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.
11 He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him *were* dark waters *and* thick clouds of the skies.
12 At the brightness *that was* before him his thick clouds passed, hail *stones* and coals of fire.
13 The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail *stones* and coals of fire.
14 Yea, he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.
15 Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.
16 He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of many waters.**
17 He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

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‡ **17:5** slip...: Heb. be not moved § **17:7** by thy...: or, them which trust in thee from those that rise up against thy right hand ** **17:9** oppress: Heb. waste †† **17:9** my...: Heb. my enemies against the soul ‡‡ **17:12** Like...: Heb. The likeness of him (that is, of every one of them) is as a lion that desireth to ravin §§ **17:12** lurking: Heb. sitting *** **17:13** disappoint...: Heb. prevent his face ††† **17:13** which is: or, by ‡‡‡ **17:14** which are: or, by §§§ **17:14** they...: or, their children are full * **18:2** my strength: Heb. my rock † **18:4** ungodly men: Heb. Belial ‡ **18:5** sorrows: or, cords § **18:8** out of his nostrils: Heb. by his, etc ** **18:16** many: or, great

18 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.
19 He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

20 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of
my hands hath he recompensed me.
21 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
22 For all his judgments *were* before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.
23 I was also upright before him, and I kept myself from mine iniquity.††
24 Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to
the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.‡‡
25 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew
thyself upright;
26 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself
froward.§§
27 For thou wilt save the afflicted people; but wilt bring down high looks.
28 For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.***

29 For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall.†††
30 *As for* God, his way *is* perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he *is* a buckler to all those
that trust in him.‡‡‡
31 For who *is* God save the LORD? or who *is* a rock save our God?
32 *It is* God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.
33 He maketh my feet like hinds' *feet*, and setteth me upon my high places.
34 He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.
35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand hath holden me
up, and thy gentleness hath made me great.§§§
36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.*
37 I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I turn again till they were
consumed.
38 I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.
39 For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those
that rose up against me.†
40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might destroy them that hate
me.
41 They cried, but *there was* none to save *them: even* unto the LORD, but he answered them
not.
42 Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in
the streets.
43 Thou hast delivered me from the strivings of the people; *and* thou hast made me the head
of the heathen: a people *whom* I have not known shall serve me.
44 As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: the strangers shall submit themselves
unto me.‡§**
45 The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.††
46 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.
47 *It is* God that avengeth me, and subdueth the people under me.‡‡§§
48 He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up
against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.***
49 Therefore will I give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and sing praises
unto thy name.†††
50 Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David,
and to his seed for evermore.

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†† **18:23** before: Heb. with ‡‡ **18:24** in...: Heb. before his eyes §§ **18:26** shew thyself froward: or, wrestle *** **18:28** candle: or, lamp ††† **18:29** run...: or, broken ‡‡‡ **18:30** tried: or, refined §§§ **18:35** thy gentleness...: or, with thy meekness thou hast multiplied me * **18:36** my feet: Heb. mine ankles † **18:39** subdued: Heb. caused to bow ‡ **18:44** As soon...: Heb. At the hearing of the ear § **18:44** submit...: or, yield feigned obedience ** **18:44** strangers: Heb. sons of the stranger †† **18:45** strangers: Heb. sons of the stranger ‡‡ **18:47** avengeth: Heb. giveth avengements for §§ **18:47** subdueth: or, destroyeth *** **18:48** violent...: Heb. man of violence ††† **18:49** give...: or, confess

19

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.
2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
3 *There is* no speech nor language, *where* their voice is not heard.*
4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,†
5 Which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
6 His going forth *is* from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.‡§
8 The statutes of the LORD *are* right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD *is* pure, enlightening the eyes.
9 The fear of the LORD *is* clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD *are* true *and* righteous altogether.**
10 More to be desired *are they* than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.††
11 Moreover by them is thy servant warned: *and* in keeping of them *there is* great reward.
12 Who can understand *his* errors? cleanse thou me from secret *faults*.
13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous *sins;* let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.‡‡
14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.§§

20

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 The LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee;*
2 Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion;†‡
3 Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt sacrifice; Selah.§
4 Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel.
5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up *our* banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.

6 Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand.**††
7 Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God.
8 They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright.
9 Save, LORD: let the king hear us when we call.

21

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!
2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.
3 For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.
4 He asked life of thee, *and* thou gavest *it* him, *even* length of days for ever and ever.
5 His glory *is* great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.

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* **19:3** where...: or, without these their voice is heard: Heb. without their voice heard † **19:4** line: or, rule, or, direction ‡ **19:7** law: or, doctrine § **19:7** converting: or, restoring ** **19:9** true: Heb. truth †† **19:10** the honeycomb: Heb. the dropping of honeycombs ‡‡ **19:13** the great: or, much §§ **19:14** strength: Heb. rock * **20:1** defend...: Heb. set thee on an high place † **20:2** thee help: Heb. thy help ‡ **20:2** strengthen: Heb. support § **20:3** accept: Heb. turn to ashes: or, make fat ** **20:6** his holy...: Heb. the heaven of his holiness †† **20:6** with...: Heb. by the strength of the salvation of

6 For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: thou hast made him exceeding glad with
thy countenance.*†

7 For the king trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the most High he shall not be
moved.
8 Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies: thy right hand shall find out those that hate
thee.
9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall swallow
them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them.
10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of
men.
11 For they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous device, *which* they are
not able *to perform*.
12 Therefore shalt thou make them turn their back, *when* thou shalt make ready *thine
arrows* upon thy strings against the face of them.‡§
13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: *so* will we sing and praise thy power.

22

To the chief Musician upon Aijeleth Shahar, A Psalm of David.
1 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? *why art thou so* far from helping me, *and
from* the words of my roaring?*†
2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not
silent.‡
3 But thou *art* holy, *O thou* that inhabitest the praises of Israel.
4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.
5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.
6 But I *am* a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.
7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying*,§
8 He trusted on the LORD *that* he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he
delighted in him.**††
9 But thou *art* he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope *when I was* upon
my mother's breasts.‡‡
10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou *art* my God from my mother's belly.

11 Be not far from me; for trouble *is* near; for *there is* none to help.§§
12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong *bulls* of Bashan have beset me round.
13 They gaped upon me *with* their mouths, *as* a ravening and a roaring lion.***
14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is
melted in the midst of my bowels.†††
15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou
hast brought me into the dust of death.
16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced
my hands and my feet.
17 I may tell all my bones: they look *and* stare upon me.
18 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.
19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.
20 Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.‡‡‡§§§
21 Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.

22 I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise
thee.
23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all
ye the seed of Israel.

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* **21:6** made him most...: Heb. set him to be blessings † **21:6** made him exceeding...: Heb. make him glad with joy ‡ **21:12** shalt thou...: or, thou shalt set them as a butt § **21:12** back: Heb. shoulder * **22:1** Aijeleth...: or, the hind of the morning † **22:1** helping...: Heb. my salvation ‡ **22:2** am...: Heb. there is no silence to me § **22:7** shoot...: Heb. open ** **22:8** He trusted...: Heb. He rolled himself on †† **22:8** seeing...: or, if he delight in ‡‡ **22:9** didst...: or, kept me in safety §§ **22:11** none...: Heb. not a helper *** **22:13** gaped...: Heb. opened their mouths against me ††† **22:14** out of...: or, sundered ‡‡‡ **22:20** my darling: Heb. my only one §§§ **22:20** power: Heb. hand

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid
his face from him; but when he cried unto him, he heard.
25 My praise *shall be* of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that
fear him.
26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart
shall live for ever.
27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds
of the nations shall worship before thee.
28 For the kingdom *is* the LORD's: and he *is* the governor among the nations.
29 All *they that be* fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust
shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.
30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.
31 They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born,
that he hath done *this*.

23

A Psalm of David.
1 The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want.
2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.*†
3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou
art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my
head with oil; my cup runneth over.‡
6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the
house of the LORD for ever.§

24

A Psalm of David.
1 The earth *is* the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.
2 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?
4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity,
nor sworn deceitfully.*
5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his
salvation.
6 This *is* the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.†

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory
shall come in.
8 Who *is* this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift *them* up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of
glory shall come in.
10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory. Selah.

25

A Psalm of David.
1 Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.
2 O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.
3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress
without cause.
4 Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.
5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou *art* the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait
all the day.
6 Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they *have been* ever
of old.*
7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy
remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.

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* **23:2** green...: Heb. pastures of tender grass † **23:2** still...: Heb. waters of quietness ‡ **23:5** anointest: Heb. makest fat § **23:6** for ever: Heb. to length of days * **24:4** He...: Heb. The clean of hands † **24:6** O Jacob: or, O God of Jacob * **25:6** tender...: Heb. bowels

8 Good and upright *is* the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.
10 All the paths of the LORD *are* mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.
11 For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it *is* great.
12 What man *is* he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way *that* he shall choose.
13 His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth.†
14 The secret of the LORD *is* with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.‡

15 Mine eyes *are* ever toward the LORD; for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.§
16 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I *am* desolate and afflicted.
17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged: *O* bring thou me out of my distresses.
18 Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins.
19 Consider mine enemies; for they are many; and they hate me with cruel hatred.**
20 O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee.
21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.
22 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.

26

A Psalm of David.
1 Judge me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; *therefore* I shall not slide.
2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.
3 For thy lovingkindness *is* before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.
4 I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.
5 I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.

6 I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O LORD:
7 That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.
8 LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.*
9 Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloody men:†‡
10 In whose hands *is* mischief, and their right hand is full of bribes.§
11 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be merciful unto me.
12 My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I bless the LORD.

27

A Psalm of David.
1 The LORD *is* my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD *is* the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
2 When the wicked, *even* mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.*
3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this *will* I *be* confident.
4 One *thing* have I desired of the LORD, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.†
5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.
6 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.‡

7 Hear, O LORD, *when* I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.
8 *When thou saidst*, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.§

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† **25:13** dwell...: Heb. lodge in goodness ‡ **25:14** and...: or, and his covenant to make them know it § **25:15** pluck: Heb. bring forth ** **25:19** cruel...: Heb. hatred of violence * **26:8** where...: Heb. of the tabernacle of thy honour † **26:9** Gather...: or, Take not away ‡ **26:9** bloody...: Heb. men of blood § **26:10** full...: Heb. filled with * **27:2** came...: Heb. approached against me † **27:4** the beauty: or, the delight ‡ **27:6** joy: Heb. shouting § **27:8** When...: or, My heart said unto thee, Let my face seek thy face, etc

9 Hide not thy face *far* from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help;
leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.**
11 Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.††‡‡
12 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up
against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.
13 *I had fainted*, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the
living.
14 Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say,
on the LORD.

28

A Psalm of David.
1 Unto thee will I cry, O LORD my rock; be not silent to me: lest, *if* thou be silent to me, I
become like them that go down into the pit.*
2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward
thy holy oracle.†
3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, which speak peace
to their neighbours, but mischief *is* in their hearts.
4 Give them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedness of their endeavours:
give them after the work of their hands; render to them their desert.
5 Because they regard not the works of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands, he shall
destroy them, and not build them up.

6 Blessed *be* the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.
7 The LORD *is* my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped:
therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.
8 The LORD *is* their strength, and he *is* the saving strength of his anointed.‡§
9 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever.**

29

A Psalm of David.
1 Give unto the LORD, O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.*
2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of
holiness.†‡
3 The voice of the LORD *is* upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD *is* upon
many waters.§
4 The voice of the LORD *is* powerful; the voice of the LORD *is* full of majesty.**††
5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.
6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.
7 The voice of the LORD divideth the flames of fire.‡‡
8 The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of
Kadesh.
9 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his
temple doth every one speak of *his* glory.§§***
10 The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.
11 The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.

30

A Psalm *and* Song *at* the dedication of the house of David.
1 I will extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice
over me.
2 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.

** **27:10** take...: Heb. gather me †† **27:11** a plain...: Heb. a way of plainness ‡‡ **27:11** mine...: Heb. those which observe me * **28:1** to me: Heb. from me † **28:2** thy...: or, the oracle of thy sanctuary ‡ **28:8** their: or, his § **28:8** saving...: Heb. strength of salvations ** **28:9** feed: or, rule * **29:1** ye mighty: Heb. ye sons of the mighty † **29:2** the glory...: Heb. the honour of his name ‡ **29:2** in...: or, in his glorious sanctuary § **29:3** many: or, great ** **29:4** powerful: Heb. in power †† **29:4** full...: Heb. in majesty ‡‡ **29:7** divideth: Heb. cutteth out §§ **29:9** to calve: or, to be in pain *** **29:9** doth...: or, every whit of it uttereth, etc

3 O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I
should not go down to the pit.
4 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his
holiness.*
5 For his anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure for a night,
but joy *cometh* in the morning.†‡§

6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.
7 LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy
face, *and* I was troubled.**
8 I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication.
9 What profit *is there* in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee?
shall it declare thy truth?
10 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.
11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and
girded me with gladness;
12 To the end that *my* glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will
give thanks unto thee for ever.††

31

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy
righteousness.
2 Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily: be thou my strong rock, for an house of
defence to save me.*
3 For thou *art* my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide
me.
4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou *art* my strength.
5 Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.
6 I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD.
7 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast
known my soul in adversities;
8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.

9 Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, *yea*,
my soul and my belly.
10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing: my strength faileth because of
mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.
11 I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a
fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.
12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like a broken vessel.†
13 For I have heard the slander of many: fear *was* on every side: while they took counsel
together against me, they devised to take away my life.
14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my God.
15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them
that persecute me.
16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake.
17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be ashamed,
and let them be silent in the grave.‡
18 Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous things proudly and contemptu-
ously against the righteous.§

19 *Oh* how great *is* thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou
hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!
20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep
them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

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* **30:4** at...: or, to the memorial † **30:5** his anger...: Heb. there is but a moment in his anger ‡ **30:5** for a night: Heb. in the evening § **30:5** joy: Heb. singing ** **30:7** made...: Heb. settled strength for my mountain †† **30:12** my glory: that is, my tongue, or, my soul * **31:2** my...: Heb. to me for a rock of strength † **31:12** a broken...: Heb. a vessel that perisheth ‡ **31:17** silent...: or, cut off for § **31:18** grievous...: Heb. a hard thing

21 Blessed *be* the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a strong city.**
22 For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes: nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.
23 O love the LORD, all ye his saints: *for* the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.
24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.

32

A Psalm of David, Maschil.
1 Blessed *is he whose* transgression *is* forgiven, *whose* sin *is* covered.*
2 Blessed *is* the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit *there is* no guile.
3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.
4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.
5 I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.
6 For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.†

7 Thou *art* my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.
8 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.‡
9 Be ye not as the horse, *or* as the mule, *which* have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.
10 Many sorrows *shall be* to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.
11 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all *ye that are* upright in heart.

33

1 Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: *for* praise is comely for the upright.
2 Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings.
3 Sing unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.
4 For the word of the LORD *is* right; and all his works *are done* in truth.
5 He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.*
6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.
7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.
8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.
9 For he spake, and it was *done;* he commanded, and it stood fast.
10 The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.†
11 The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.‡

12 Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* the LORD; *and* the people *whom* he hath chosen for his own inheritance.
13 The LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.
14 From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.
15 He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their works.
16 There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.
17 An horse *is* a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver *any* by his great strength.
18 Behold, the eye of the LORD *is* upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy;

** **31:21** strong: or, fenced * **32:1** A Psalm...: or, A Psalm of David giving instruction † **32:6** when...: Heb. of finding ‡ **32:8** guide...: Heb. counsel thee, mine eye shall be upon thee * **33:5** goodness: or, mercy † **33:10** bringeth: Heb. maketh frustrate ‡ **33:11** to all...: Heb. to generation and generation

19 To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.
20 Our soul waiteth for the LORD: he *is* our help and our shield.
21 For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.
22 Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.

34

A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech; who drove him away, and he departed.

1 I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth.*
2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear *thereof*, and be glad.
3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.
4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
5 They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.†
6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard *him*, and saved him out of all his troubles.
7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.
8 O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.
9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for *there is* no want to them that fear him.
10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good *thing*.

11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
12 What man *is he that* desireth life, *and* loveth *many* days, that he may see good?
13 Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.
14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.
15 The eyes of the LORD *are* upon the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their cry.
16 The face of the LORD *is* against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
17 *The righteous* cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
18 The LORD *is* nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.‡§
19 Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.
20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.
21 Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.**
22 The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.††

35

A Psalm of David.

1 Plead *my cause*, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me.
2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.
3 Draw out also the spear, and stop *the way* against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I *am* thy salvation.
4 Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.
5 Let them be as chaff before the wind: and let the angel of the LORD chase *them*.
6 Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD persecute them.*
7 For without cause have they hid for me their net *in* a pit, *which* without cause they have digged for my soul.
8 Let destruction come upon him at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.†
9 And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation.
10 All my bones shall say, LORD, who *is* like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?

11 False witnesses did rise up; they laid to my charge *things* that I knew not.‡§

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* **34:1** Abimelech: or, Achish † **34:5** were lightened: or, they flowed unto him ‡ **34:18** unto...: Heb. to the broken of heart § **34:18** of a contrite...: Heb. contrite of spirit ** **34:21** desolate: or, guilty †† **34:22** desolate: or, guilty
* **35:6** dark...: Heb. darkness and slipperiness † **35:8** at...: Heb. which he knoweth not of ‡ **35:11** False...: Heb. Witnesses of wrong § **35:11** they...: Heb. they asked me

12 They rewarded me evil for good *to* the spoiling of my soul.**
13 But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing *was* sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.††
14 I behaved myself as though *he had been* my friend *or* brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth *for his* mother.‡‡§§
15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: *yea*, the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew *it* not; they did tear *me*, and ceased not:***
16 With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth.

17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, my darling from the lions.†††
18 I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among much people.‡‡‡
19 Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: *neither* let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.§§§
20 For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against *them that are* quiet in the land.
21 Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, *and* said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seen *it*.
22 *This* thou hast seen, O LORD: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me.
23 Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, *even* unto my cause, my God and my Lord.
24 Judge me, O LORD my God, according to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice over me.
25 Let them not say in their hearts, Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, We have swallowed him up.*
26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that rejoice at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonour that magnify *themselves* against me.
27 Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.†
28 And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness *and* of thy praise all the day long.

36

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David the servant of the LORD.
1 The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, *that there is* no fear of God before his eyes.
2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be found to be hateful.*
3 The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and deceit: he hath left off to be wise, *and* to do good.
4 He deviseth mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way *that is* not good; he abhorreth not evil.†

5 Thy mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens; *and* thy faithfulness *reacheth* unto the clouds.
6 Thy righteousness *is* like the great mountains; thy judgments *are* a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.‡
7 How excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.§
8 They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.**
9 For with thee *is* the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.
10 O continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.††
11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.
12 There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rise.

** **35:12** spoiling: Heb. depriving †† **35:13** humbled: or, afflicted ‡‡ **35:14** behaved myself: Heb. walked §§ **35:14** as though...: Heb. as a friend, as a brother to me *** **35:15** adversity: Heb. halting ††† **35:17** darling: Heb. only one ‡‡‡ **35:18** much: Heb. strong §§§ **35:19** wrongfully: Heb. falsely * **35:25** Ah...: Heb. Ah, ah, our soul † **35:27** righteous...: Heb. righteousness * **36:2** until...: Heb. to find his iniquity to hate † **36:4** mischief: or, vanity ‡ **36:6** the...: Heb. the mountains of God § **36:7** excellent: Heb. precious ** **36:8** abundantly...: Heb. watered †† **36:10** continue: Heb. draw out at length

37

A Psalm of David.
1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.
2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.
3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; *so* shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.*
4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.
5 Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring *it* to pass.†
6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

7 Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.‡
8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.
9 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.
10 For yet a little while, and the wicked *shall* not *be:* yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be*.
11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.
12 The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.§
13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.
14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, *and* to slay such as be of upright conversation.**
15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.
16 A little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked.
17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.
18 The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.
19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.
20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD *shall be* as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.††

21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.
22 For *such as be* blessed of him shall inherit the earth; and *they that be* cursed of him shall be cut off.
23 The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.‡‡
24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand.
25 I have been young, and *now* am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.
26 *He is* ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed *is* blessed.§§
27 Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.
28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.
29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.
30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.
31 The law of his God *is* in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.***
32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.
33 The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.

34 Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see *it*.
35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.†††
36 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he *was* not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

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* **37:3** verily: Heb. in truth, or, stableness † **37:5** Commit...: Heb. Roll thy way upon ‡ **37:7** Rest in: Heb. Be silent to § **37:12** plotteth: or, practiseth ** **37:14** such...: Heb. the upright of way †† **37:20** the fat: Heb. the preciousness ‡‡ **37:23** ordered: or, established §§ **37:26** ever: Heb. all the day *** **37:31** steps: or, goings ††† **37:35** a green...: or, a green tree that groweth in his own soil

37 Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for the end of *that* man *is* peace.
38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.
39 But the salvation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: *he is* their strength in the time of trouble.
40 And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.

38

A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.
1 O LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.
2 For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.
3 *There is* no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither *is there any* rest in my bones because of my sin.*
4 For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.
5 My wounds stink *and* are corrupt because of my foolishness.
6 I am troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.†
7 For my loins are filled with a loathsome *disease:* and *there is* no soundness in my flesh.
8 I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.
9 Lord, all my desire *is* before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.
10 My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also is gone from me.‡
11 My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.§**

12 They also that seek after my life lay snares *for me:* and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.
13 But I, as a deaf *man*, heard not; and *I was* as a dumb man *that* openeth not his mouth.
14 Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.
15 For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.††‡‡
16 For I said, *Hear me*, lest *otherwise* they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify *themselves* against me.
17 For I *am* ready to halt, and my sorrow *is* continually before me.§§
18 For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.
19 But mine enemies *are* lively, *and* they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.***
20 They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries; because I follow *the thing that* good *is*.
21 Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.
22 Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation.†††

39

To the chief Musician, *even* to Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.
1 I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.*
2 I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, *even* from good; and my sorrow was stirred.†
3 My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned: *then* spake I with my tongue,
4 LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it *is; that* I may know how frail I *am*.‡
5 Behold, thou hast made my days *as* an handbreadth; and mine age *is* as nothing before thee: verily every man at his best state *is* altogether vanity. Selah.§
6 Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up *riches*, and knoweth not who shall gather them.**

7 And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope *is* in thee.
8 Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.

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* **38:3** rest: Heb. peace, or, health † **38:6** troubled: Heb. wried ‡ **38:10** is gone...: Heb. is not with me § **38:11** sore: Heb. stroke ** **38:11** my kinsmen: or, my neighbours †† **38:15** in...: or, thee do I wait for ‡‡ **38:15** hear: or, answer §§ **38:17** to halt: Heb. for halting *** **38:19** are lively...: Heb. being living, are strong ††† **38:22** to...: Heb. for my help * **39:1** my mouth...: Heb. a bridle, or, muzzle for my mouth † **39:2** stirred: Heb. troubled ‡ **39:4** how...: or, what time I have here § **39:5** at...: Heb. settled ** **39:6** a vain...: Heb. an image

9 I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst *it*.
10 Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.††
11 When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man *is* vanity. Selah.‡‡
12 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I *am* a stranger with thee, *and* a sojourner, as all my fathers *were*.
13 O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.

40

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.*
2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, *and* established my goings.†
3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, *even* praise unto our God: many shall see *it*, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.
4 Blessed *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.
5 Many, O LORD my God, *are* thy wonderful works *which* thou hast done, and thy thoughts *which are* to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: *if* I would declare and speak *of them*, they are more than can be numbered.‡

6 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.§
7 Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book *it is* written of me,
8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law *is* within my heart.**
9 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.
10 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.

11 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.
12 For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me.††
13 Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me.
14 Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.
15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me, Aha, aha.
16 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.
17 But I *am* poor and needy; *yet* the Lord thinketh upon me: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.

41

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 Blessed *is* he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.*†
2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; *and* he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.‡
3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness.§
4 I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.

5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish?

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†† **39:10** blow: Heb. conflict ‡‡ **39:11** his...: Heb. that which is to be desired in him to melt away * **40:1** I waited...: Heb. In waiting I waited † **40:2** an...: Heb. a pit of noise ‡ **40:5** they cannot...: or, none can order them unto thee § **40:6** opened: Heb. digged ** **40:8** within...: Heb. in the midst of my bowels †† **40:12** faileth: Heb. forsaketh * **41:1** the poor: or, the weak, or, sick † **41:1** in time...: Heb. in the day of evil ‡ **41:2** thou...: or, do not thou deliver § **41:3** make: Heb. turn

6 And if he come to see *me*, he speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth iniquity to itself; *when*
he goeth abroad, he telleth *it*.
7 All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise my hurt.**
8 An evil disease, *say they*, cleaveth fast unto him: and *now* that he lieth he shall rise up no
more.††
9 Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted
up *his* heel against me.‡‡§§
10 But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.
11 By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me.
12 And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for
ever.
13 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.

42

To the chief Musician, Maschil, for the sons of Korah.
1 As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.*†
2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?
3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where
is thy God?
4 When I remember these *things*, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the
multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise,
with a multitude that kept holyday.
5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and *why* art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in
God: for I shall yet praise him *for* the help of his countenance.‡§**

6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land
of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.††
7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are
gone over me.
8 *Yet* the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song
shall be with me, *and* my prayer unto the God of my life.
9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of
the oppression of the enemy?
10 *As* with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me,
Where *is* thy God?‡‡
11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou
in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.

43

1 Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the
deceitful and unjust man.*†
2 For thou *art* the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning
because of the oppression of the enemy?
3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill,
and to thy tabernacles.
4 Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I
praise thee, O God my God.‡
5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God:
for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.

44

To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, Maschil.
1 We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, *what* work thou didst in
their days, in the times of old.*

** **41:7** my...: Heb. evil to me †† **41:8** An...: Heb. A thing of Belial ‡‡ **41:9** mine...: Heb. the man of my peace §§ **41:9** lifted...: Heb. magnified * **42:1** Maschil...: or, A Psalm giving instruction of the sons, etc † **42:1** panteth: Heb. brayeth ‡ **42:5** cast: Heb. bowed § **42:5** praise: or, give thanks ** **42:5** for the...: or, his presence is salvation †† **42:6** the hill...: or, the little hill ‡‡ **42:10** sword: or, killing * **43:1** ungodly: or, unmerciful † **43:1** the deceitful...: Heb. a man of deceit and iniquity ‡ **43:4** my exceeding...: Heb. the gladness of my joy * **44:1** Maschil: or, of instruction

2 *How* thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; *how* thou didst
afflict the people, and cast them out.
3 For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save
them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because
thou hadst a favour unto them.
4 Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.
5 Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them
under that rise up against us.
6 For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.
7 But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.
8 In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah.

9 But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.
10 Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for
themselves.
11 Thou hast given us like sheep *appointed* for meat; and hast scattered us among the
heathen.†
12 Thou sellest thy people for nought, and dost not increase *thy wealth* by their price.‡
13 Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are
round about us.
14 Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head among the people.
15 My confusion *is* continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me,
16 For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and
avenger.

17 All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely in
thy covenant.
18 Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined from thy way;§
19 Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow
of death.
20 If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;
21 Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.
22 Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.
23 Awake, why sleepest thou, O Lord? arise, cast *us* not off for ever.
24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, *and* forgettest our affliction and our oppression?
25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth.
26 Arise for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake.**

45

To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah, Maschil, A Song of loves.
1 My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the
king: my tongue *is* the pen of a ready writer.*†
2 Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath
blessed thee for ever.
3 Gird thy sword upon *thy* thigh, O *most* mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.
4 And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness *and* righteousness;
and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.‡
5 Thine arrows *are* sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; *whereby* the people fall under
thee.

6 Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom *is* a right sceptre.
7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed
thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
8 All thy garments *smell* of myrrh, and aloes, *and* cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby
they have made thee glad.
9 Kings' daughters *were* among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the
queen in gold of Ophir.

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† **44:11** like...: Heb. as sheep of meat ‡ **44:12** for...: Heb. without riches § **44:18** steps: or, goings ** **44:26** for our...: Heb. a help for us * **45:1** Maschil: or, of instruction † **45:1** is inditing: Heb. boileth, or, bubbleth up ‡ **45:4** ride...: Heb. prosper thou, ride thou

10 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people,
and thy father's house;
11 So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he *is* thy Lord; and worship thou him.
12 And the daughter of Tyre *shall be there* with a gift; *even* the rich among the people shall
intreat thy favour.§
13 The king's daughter *is* all glorious within: her clothing *is* of wrought gold.
14 She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions
that follow her shall be brought unto thee.
15 With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.
16 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the
earth.
17 I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people
praise thee for ever and ever.

46

To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, A Song upon Alamoth.
1 God *is* our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.*
2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be
carried into the midst of the sea;†
3 *Though* the waters thereof roar *and* be troubled, *though* the mountains shake with the
swelling thereof. Selah.
4 *There is* a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy *place* of the
tabernacles of the most High.
5 God *is* in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, *and that* right early.‡

6 The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.
7 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.§
8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.
9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the
spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.
10 Be still, and know that I *am* God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in
the earth.
11 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.

47

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.
1 O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.*
2 For the LORD most high *is* terrible; *he is* a great King over all the earth.
3 He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.
4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.

5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
6 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.
7 For God *is* the King of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.†
8 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.
9 The princes of the people are gathered together, *even* the people of the God of Abraham:
for the shields of the earth *belong* unto God: he is greatly exalted.‡

48

A Song *and* Psalm for the sons of Korah.
1 Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, *in* the mountain of his
holiness.*
2 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, *is* mount Zion, *on* the sides of the north,
the city of the great King.
3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.
4 For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.
5 They saw *it, and* so they marvelled; they were troubled, *and* hasted away.

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§ **45:12** favour: Heb. face * **46:1** for: or, of † **46:2** midst...: Heb. heart of the seas ‡ **46:5** and...: Heb. when the morning appeareth § **46:7** our...: Heb. an high place for us * **47:1** for: or, of † **47:7** with: or, every one that hath ‡ **47:9** princes...: or, voluntary of the people are gathered unto the people of the God of Abraham * **48:1** for: or, of

6 Fear took hold upon them there, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.
7 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.

8 As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God:
God will establish it for ever. Selah.
9 We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.
10 According to thy name, O God, so *is* thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand
is full of righteousness.
11 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.
12 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.
13 Mark ye well her bulwarks, consider her palaces; that ye may tell *it* to the generation
following.†‡
14 For this God *is* our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide *even* unto death.

49

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.
1 Hear this, all *ye* people; give ear, all *ye* inhabitants of the world:*
2 Both low and high, rich and poor, together.
3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart *shall be* of understand-
ing.
4 I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp.
5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, *when* the iniquity of my heels shall compass
me about?

6 They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;
7 None *of them* can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him:
8 (For the redemption of their soul *is* precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)
9 That he should still live for ever, *and* not see corruption.
10 For he seeth *that* wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave
their wealth to others.
11 Their inward thought *is, that* their houses *shall continue* for ever, *and* their dwelling
places to all generations; they call *their* lands after their own names.†
12 Nevertheless man *being* in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts *that* perish.
13 This their way *is* their folly: yet their posterity approve their sayings. Selah.‡
14 Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and the upright shall
have dominion over them in the morning; and their beauty shall consume in the
grave from their dwelling.§**

15 But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me.
Selah.††‡‡
16 Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;
17 For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him.
18 Though while he lived he blessed his soul: and *men* will praise thee, when thou doest
well to thyself.§§
19 He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light.***
20 Man *that is* in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts *that* perish.

50

A Psalm of Asaph.
1 The mighty God, *even* the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the
sun unto the going down thereof.*
2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.
3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall
be very tempestuous round about him.
4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.
5 Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.

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† **48:13** Mark...: Heb. Set your heart to ‡ **48:13** consider: or, raise up * **49:1** for: or, of † **49:11** all...: Heb. generation and generation ‡ **49:13** approve...: Heb. delight in their mouth § **49:14** beauty: or, strength ** **49:14** in the grave from...: or, the grave being an habitation to every one of them †† **49:15** power: Heb. hand ‡‡ **49:15** the grave: or, hell §§ **49:18** while...: Heb. in his life *** **49:19** He...: Heb. The soul shall * **50:1** of...: or, for Asaph

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God *is* judge himself. Selah.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I *am* God, *even* thy God.
8 I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, *to have been* continually before me.
9 I will take no bullock out of thy house, *nor* he goats out of thy folds.
10 For every beast of the forest *is* mine, *and* the cattle upon a thousand hills.
11 I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field *are* mine.†
12 If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world *is* mine, and the fulness thereof.
13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?
14 Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High:
15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

16 But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or *that* thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth?
17 Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee.
18 When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.‡
19 Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.§
20 Thou sittest *and* speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son.
21 These *things* hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether *such an one* as thyself: *but* I will reprove thee, and set *them* in order before thine eyes.
22 Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear *you* in pieces, and *there be* none to deliver.
23 Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth *his* conversation *aright* will I shew the salvation of God.**

51

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bath-sheba.
1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin *is* ever before me.
4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done *this* evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, *and* be clear when thou judgest.
5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.*
6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; *that* the bones *which* thou hast broken may rejoice.
9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.
10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.†
11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.
12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy* free spirit.
13 *Then* will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: *and* my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.‡
15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
16 For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give *it:* thou delightest not in burnt offering.§
17 The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.
18 Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar.

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† **50:11** mine: Heb. with me ‡ **50:18** hast...: Heb. thy portion was with § **50:19** givest: Heb. sendest ** **50:23** that...: Heb. that disposeth his way * **51:5** conceive...: Heb. warm me † **51:10** right: or, constant ‡ **51:14** bloodguiltiness: Heb. bloods § **51:16** else...: or, that I should

52

To the chief Musician, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, when Doeg the Edomite came and told Saul, and said unto him, David is come to the house of Ahimelech.

1 Why boastest thou thyself in mischief, O mighty man? the goodness of God *endureth* continually.*
2 Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.
3 Thou lovest evil more than good; *and* lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah.
4 Thou lovest all devouring words, O *thou* deceitful tongue.†
5 God shall likewise destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of *thy* dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah.‡

6 The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:
7 Lo, *this is* the man *that* made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, *and* strengthened himself in his wickedness.§
8 But I *am* like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.
9 I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done *it:* and I will wait on thy name; for *it is* good before thy saints.

53

To the chief Musician upon Mahalath, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

1 The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: *there is* none that doeth good.*
2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were *any* that did understand, that did seek God.
3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one.
4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread: they have not called upon God.
5 There were they in great fear, *where* no fear was: for God hath scattered the bones of him that encampeth *against* thee: thou hast put *them* to shame, because God hath despised them.†
6 Oh that the salvation of Israel *were come* out of Zion! When God bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.‡

54

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, when the Ziphims came and said to Saul, Doth not David hide himself with us?

1 Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.*†
2 Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.
3 For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.

4 Behold, God *is* mine helper: the Lord *is* with them that uphold my soul.
5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth.‡
6 I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O LORD; for *it is* good.
7 For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath seen *his desire* upon mine enemies.

55

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

1 Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication.*†
2 Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a noise;
3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.
4 My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.

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* **52:1** Maschil: or, of instruction † **52:4** O thou...: or, and the deceitful tongue ‡ **52:5** destroy...: Heb. beat thee down § **52:7** wickedness: or, substance * **53:1** Maschil: or, of instruction † **53:5** were...: Heb. they feared a fear ‡ **53:6** Oh that...: Heb. Who will give salvation, etc * **54:1** chief...: or, overseer † **54:1** Maschil: or, of instruction ‡ **54:5** mine...: Heb. those that observe me * **55:1** chief...: or, overseer † **55:1** Maschil: or, of instruction

5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me.‡
6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! *for then* would I fly away, and be at rest.
7 Lo, *then* would I wander far off, *and* remain in the wilderness. Selah.
8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm *and* tempest.

9 Destroy, O Lord, *and* divide their tongues: for I have seen violence and strife in the city.
10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: mischief also and sorrow *are* in the midst of it.
11 Wickedness *is* in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.
12 For *it was* not an enemy *that* reproached me; then I could have borne *it:* neither *was it* he that hated me *that* did magnify *himself* against me; then I would have hid myself from him:
13 But *it was* thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.§
14 We took sweet counsel together, *and* walked unto the house of God in company.**
15 Let death seize upon them, *and* let them go down quick into hell: for wickedness *is* in their dwellings, *and* among them.††

16 As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.
17 Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.
18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle *that was* against me: for there were many with me.
19 God shall hear, and afflict them, even he that abideth of old. Selah. Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.‡‡
20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: he hath broken his covenant.§§
21 *The words* of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war *was* in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet *were* they drawn swords.
22 Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.***
23 But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in thee.†††‡‡‡

56

To the chief Musician upon Jonath-elem-rechokim, Michtam of David, when the Philistines took him in Gath.
1 Be merciful unto me, O God: for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me.*
2 Mine enemies would daily swallow *me* up: for *they be* many that fight against me, O thou most High.†
3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.
4 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.
5 Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts *are* against me for evil.
6 They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul.
7 Shall they escape by iniquity? in *thine* anger cast down the people, O God.

8 Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: *are they* not in thy book?
9 When I cry *unto thee*, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God *is* for me.
10 In God will I praise *his* word: in the LORD will I praise *his* word.
11 In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.
12 Thy vows *are* upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee.
13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death: *wilt* not *thou deliver* my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?

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‡ **55:5** overwhelmed: Heb. covered § **55:13** mine equal: Heb. according to my rank ** **55:14** We...: Heb. Who sweetened counsel †† **55:15** hell: or, the grave ‡‡ **55:19** Because...: or, With whom also there be no changes, yet they §§ **55:20** broken: Heb. profaned *** **55:22** burden: or, gift ††† **55:23** bloody...: Heb. men of bloods and deceit ‡‡‡ **55:23** shall...: Heb. shall not half their days * **56:1** Michtam...: or, A golden Psalm of David † **56:2** enemies: Heb. observers

57

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David, when he fled from Saul in the cave.
1 Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until *these* calamities be overpast.*†
2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth *all things* for me.
3 He shall send from heaven, and save me *from* the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.‡
4 My soul *is* among lions: *and* I lie *even among* them that are set on fire, *even* the sons of men, whose teeth *are* spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.
5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.
6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen *themselves*. Selah.

7 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.§
8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early.
9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations.
10 For thy mercy *is* great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.
11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.

58

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David.
1 Do ye indeed speak righteousness, O congregation? do ye judge uprightly, O ye sons of men?*†
2 Yea, in heart ye work wickedness; ye weigh the violence of your hands in the earth.
3 The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.‡
4 Their poison *is* like the poison of a serpent: *they are* like the deaf adder *that* stoppeth her ear;§**
5 Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming never so wisely.††

6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: break out the great teeth of the young lions, O LORD.
7 Let them melt away as waters *which* run continually: *when* he bendeth *his bow to shoot* his arrows, let them be as cut in pieces.
8 As a snail *which* melteth, let *every one of them* pass away: *like* the untimely birth of a woman, *that* they may not see the sun.
9 Before your pots can feel the thorns, he shall take them away as with a whirlwind, both living, and in *his* wrath.‡‡
10 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked.
11 So that a man shall say, Verily *there is* a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God that judgeth in the earth.§§

59

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David; when Saul sent, and they watched the house to kill him.
1 Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me.*†‡
2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloody men.
3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul: the mighty are gathered against me; not *for* my transgression, nor *for* my sin, O LORD.
4 They run and prepare themselves without *my* fault: awake to help me, and behold.§
5 Thou therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah.

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* **57:1** Al-taschith: or, Destroy not † **57:1** Michtam: or, A golden Psalm ‡ **57:3** from the...: or, he reproacheth him that § **57:7** fixed: or, prepared * **58:1** Al-taschith...: or, Destroy not † **58:1** Michtam: or, A golden Psalm ‡ **58:3** as soon...: Heb. from the belly § **58:4** like the poison: Heb. according to the likeness, etc ** **58:4** adder: or, asp †† **58:5** charming...: or, be the charmer never so cunning ‡‡ **58:9** both...: Heb. as living as wrath §§ **58:11** a reward...: Heb. fruit of the, etc * **59:1** Al-taschith...: or, Destroy not † **59:1** Michtam: or, A golden Psalm ‡ **59:1** defend...: Heb. set me on high § **59:4** help: Heb. meet

6 They return at evening: they make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.
7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth: swords *are* in their lips: for who, *say they*, doth hear?

8 But thou, O LORD, shalt laugh at them; thou shalt have all the heathen in derision.
9 *Because of* his strength will I wait upon thee: for God *is* my defence.**
10 The God of my mercy shall prevent me: God shall let me see *my desire* upon mine enemies.††
11 Slay them not, lest my people forget: scatter them by thy power; and bring them down, O Lord our shield.
12 *For* the sin of their mouth *and* the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying *which* they speak.
13 Consume *them* in wrath, consume *them*, that they *may* not *be:* and let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth. Selah.
14 And at evening let them return; *and* let them make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.
15 Let them wander up and down for meat, and grudge if they be not satisfied.‡‡§§
16 But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.
17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God *is* my defence, *and* the God of my mercy.

60

To the chief Musician upon Shushan-eduth, Michtam of David, to teach; when he strove with Aram-naharaim and with Aram-zobah, when Joab returned, and smote of Edom in the valley of salt twelve thousand.
1 O God, thou hast cast us off, thou hast scattered us, thou hast been displeased; O turn thyself to us again.*†
2 Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heal the breaches thereof; for it shaketh.
3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment.
4 Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah.
5 That thy beloved may be delivered; save *with* thy right hand, and hear me.

6 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.
7 Gilead *is* mine, and Manasseh *is* mine; Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; Judah *is* my lawgiver;
8 Moab *is* my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe: Philistia, triumph thou because of me.‡
9 Who will bring me *into* the strong city? who will lead me into Edom?§
10 *Wilt* not thou, O God, *which* hadst cast us off? and *thou*, O God, *which* didst not go out with our armies?
11 Give us help from trouble: for vain *is* the help of man.**
12 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he *it is that* shall tread down our enemies.

61

To the chief Musician upon Neginah, *A Psalm* of David.
1 Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.
2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock *that* is higher than I.
3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, *and* a strong tower from the enemy.
4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah.*

5 For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given *me* the heritage of those that fear thy name.

** **59:9** defence: Heb. high place †† **59:10** enemies: Heb. observers ‡‡ **59:15** for meat: Heb. to eat §§ **59:15** and grudge...: or, if they be not satisfied, then they will stay all night * **60:1** Michtam: or, A golden Psalm † **60:1** scattered: Heb. broken ‡ **60:8** triumph...: or, triumph thou over me: (by an irony) § **60:9** strong...: Heb. city of strength? ** **60:11** help of man: Heb. salvation, etc * **61:4** trust: or, make my refuge

6 Thou wilt prolong the king's life: *and* his years as many generations.[†‡]
7 He shall abide before God for ever: O prepare mercy and truth, *which* may preserve him.
8 So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily perform my vows.

62

To the chief Musician, to Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.
1 Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from him *cometh* my salvation.[*†]
2 He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *he is* my defence; I shall not be greatly moved.[‡]
3 How long will ye imagine mischief against a man? ye shall be slain all of you: as a bowing wall *shall ye be, and as* a tottering fence.
4 They only consult to cast *him* down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. Selah.[§]
5 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation *is* from him.
6 He only *is* my rock and my salvation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moved.
7 In God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.

8 Trust in him at all times; *ye* people, pour out your heart before him: God *is* a refuge for us. Selah.
9 Surely men of low degree *are* vanity, *and* men of high degree *are* a lie: to be laid in the balance, they *are* altogether *lighter* than vanity.[**]
10 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart *upon them*.
11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power *belongeth* unto God.[††]
12 Also unto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work.

63

A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah.
1 O God, thou *art* my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is;[*†]
2 To see thy power and thy glory, so *as* I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

3 Because thy lovingkindness *is* better than life, my lips shall praise thee.
4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.
5 My soul shall be satisfied as *with* marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise *thee* with joyful lips:[‡]
6 When I remember thee upon my bed, *and* meditate on thee in the *night* watches.

7 Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.
8 My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.
9 But those *that* seek my soul, to destroy *it*, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.
10 They shall fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.[§]
11 But the king shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by him shall glory: but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.

64

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
2 Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity:
3 Who whet their tongue like a sword, *and* bend *their bows to shoot* their arrows, *even* bitter words:
4 That they may shoot in secret at the perfect: suddenly do they shoot at him, and fear not.
5 They encourage themselves *in* an evil matter: they commune of laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them?[*†]

[†] **61:6** Thou...: Heb. Thou shalt add days to the days of the king [‡] **61:6** as...: Heb. as generation and generation [*] **62:1** Truly: or, Only [†] **62:1** waiteth: Heb. is silent [‡] **62:2** defence: Heb. high place [§] **62:4** inwardly: Heb. in their inward parts [**] **62:9** altogether: or, alike [††] **62:11** power: or, strength [*] **63:1** thirsty: Heb. weary [†] **63:1** where...: without water [‡] **63:5** marrow: Heb. fatness [§] **63:10** They shall fall...: Heb. They shall make him run out like water by the hands of [*] **64:5** matter: or, speech [†] **64:5** of...: Heb. to hide his snares

6 They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search: both the inward *thought* of
every one *of them*, and the heart, *is* deep.‡§

7 But God shall shoot at them *with* an arrow; suddenly shall they be wounded.**
8 So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all that see them shall flee
away.
9 And all men shall fear, and shall declare the work of God; for they shall wisely consider
of his doing.
10 The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in
heart shall glory.

65

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *and* Song of David.

1 Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.*
2 O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.
3 Iniquities prevail against me: *as for* our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.†
4 Blessed *is the man whom* thou choosest, and causest to approach *unto thee, that* he may
dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, *even* of thy
holy temple.
5 *By* terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; *who art*
the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off *upon* the sea:

6 Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; *being* girded with power:
7 Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.
8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the
outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.‡
9 Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God,
which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.§
10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou
makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.**††
11 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.‡‡
12 They drop *upon* the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.§§
13 The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they
shout for joy, they also sing.

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To the chief Musician, A Song *or* Psalm.

1 Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands:*
2 Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.
3 Say unto God, How terrible *art thou in* thy works! through the greatness of thy power
shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee.†
4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing *to* thy name.
Selah.
5 Come and see the works of God: *he is* terrible *in his* doing toward the children of men.
6 He turned the sea into dry *land:* they went through the flood on foot: there did we rejoice
in him.
7 He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt
themselves. Selah.

8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:
9 Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.‡
10 For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.
11 Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins.

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‡ **64:6** they...: or, we are consumed by that which they have throughly searched § **64:6** a diligent...: Heb. a search searched ** **64:7** shall they...: Heb. their wound shall be * **65:1** waiteth: Heb. is silent † **65:3** Iniquities: Heb. Words, or, Matters of iniquities ‡ **65:8** rejoice: or, sing § **65:9** and...: or, after thou hadst made it to desire rain ** **65:10** settlest: or, causest rain to descend into †† **65:10** makest...: Heb. dissolvest it ‡‡ **65:11** with: Heb. of §§ **65:12** rejoice...: Heb. are girded with joy * **66:1** all...: Heb. all the earth † **66:3** submit...: or, yield feigned obedience: Heb. lie ‡ **66:9** holdeth: Heb. putteth

12 Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water:
but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy *place*.§

13 I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vows,
14 Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.**
15 I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer
bullocks with goats. Selah.††
16 Come *and* hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.
17 I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue.
18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me:*
19 *But* verily God hath heard *me;* he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.
20 Blessed *be* God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

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To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm *or* Song.

1 God be merciful unto us, and bless us; *and* cause his face to shine upon us; Selah.*†
2 That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.
3 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
4 O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and
govern the nations upon earth. Selah.‡
5 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
6 *Then* shall the earth yield her increase; *and* God, *even* our own God, shall bless us.
7 God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

68

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *or* Song of David.

1 Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.*
2 As smoke is driven away, *so* drive *them* away: as wax melteth before the fire, *so* let the
wicked perish at the presence of God.
3 But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly
rejoice.†
4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his
name JAH, and rejoice before him.
5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, *is* God in his holy habitation.
6 God setteth the solitary in families: he bringeth out those which are bound with chains:
but the rebellious dwell in a dry *land*.‡

7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the
wilderness; Selah:
8 The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God: *even* Sinai itself *was*
moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
9 Thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance,
when it was weary.§**
10 Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the
poor.
11 The Lord gave the word: great *was* the company of those that published *it*.††
12 Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.‡‡
13 Though ye have lien among the pots, *yet shall ye be as* the wings of a dove covered with
silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.
14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was *white* as snow in Salmon.§§

15 The hill of God *is as* the hill of Bashan; an high hill *as* the hill of Bashan.
16 Why leap ye, ye high hills? *this is* the hill *which* God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD
will dwell *in it* for ever.

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§ **66:12** wealthy: Heb. moist ** **66:14** uttered: Heb. opened †† **66:15** fatlings: Heb. marrow * **67:1** chief...: or, overseer † **67:1** upon: Heb. with ‡ **67:4** govern: Heb. lead * **68:1** before...: Heb. from his face † **68:3** exceedingly...: Heb. rejoice with gladness ‡ **68:6** in families: Heb. in a house § **68:9** send: Heb. shake out ** **68:9** confirm: Heb. confirm it †† **68:11** company: Heb. army ‡‡ **68:12** did...: Heb. did flee, did flee §§ **68:14** in it...: or, for her, she

17 The chariots of God *are* twenty thousand, *even* thousands of angels: the Lord *is* among
them, *as in* Sinai, in the holy *place*.***
18 Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for
men; yea, *for* the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell *among them*.†††
19 Blessed *be* the Lord, *who* daily loadeth us *with benefits, even* the God of our salvation.
Selah.
20 *He that is* our God *is* the God of salvation; and unto GOD the Lord *belong* the issues from
death.
21 But God shall wound the head of his enemies, *and* the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth
on still in his trespasses.

22 The Lord said, I will bring again from Bashan, I will bring *my people* again from the
depths of the sea:
23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of *thine* enemies, *and* the tongue of thy dogs in
the same.‡‡‡
24 They have seen thy goings, O God; *even* the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.
25 The singers went before, the players on instruments *followed* after; among *them were*
the damsels playing with timbrels.
26 Bless ye God in the congregations, *even* the Lord, from the fountain of Israel.§§§
27 There *is* little Benjamin *with* their ruler, the princes of Judah *and* their council, the
princes of Zebulun, *and* the princes of Naphtali.*
28 Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which thou hast
wrought for us.
29 Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.
30 Rebuke the company of spearmen, the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the
people, *till every one* submit himself with pieces of silver: scatter thou the people
that delight in war.†‡
31 Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

32 Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth; O sing praises unto the Lord; Selah:
33 To him that rideth upon the heavens of heavens, *which were* of old; lo, he doth send out
his voice, *and that* a mighty voice.§
34 Ascribe ye strength unto God: his excellency *is* over Israel, and his strength *is* in the
clouds.**
35 O God, *thou art* terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel *is* he that giveth strength
and power unto *his* people. Blessed *be* God.

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To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, *A Psalm* of David.
1 Save me, O God; for the waters are come in unto *my* soul.
2 I sink in deep mire, where *there is* no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the
floods overflow me.*†
3 I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God.
4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: they that would
destroy me, *being* mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: then I restored *that* which
I took not away.
5 O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from thee.‡
6 Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my sake: let not those
that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O God of Israel.
7 Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my face.
8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren, and an alien unto my mother's children.
9 For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the reproaches of them that reproached
thee are fallen upon me.
10 When I wept, *and chastened* my soul with fasting, that was to my reproach.
11 I made sackcloth also my garment; and I became a proverb to them.

*** **68:17** even...: or, even many thousands ††† **68:18** for men: Heb. in the man ‡‡‡ **68:23** dipped: or, red §§§ **68:26** from...: or, ye that are of the fountain of Israel * **68:27** and their...: or, with their company † **68:30** the company...: or, the beasts of the reeds ‡ **68:30** scatter...: or, he scattereth § **68:33** send...: Heb. give ** **68:34** clouds: or, heavens * **69:2** deep mire: Heb. the mire of depth † **69:2** deep waters: Heb. depth of waters ‡ **69:5** sins: Heb. guiltiness

12 They that sit in the gate speak against me; and I *was* the song of the drunkards.§

13 But as for me, my prayer *is* unto thee, O LORD, *in* an acceptable time: O God, in the
multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation.
14 Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate
me, and out of the deep waters.
15 Let not the waterflood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the
pit shut her mouth upon me.
16 Hear me, O LORD; for thy lovingkindness *is* good: turn unto me according to the
multitude of thy tender mercies.
17 And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily.**
18 Draw nigh unto my soul, *and* redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies.
19 Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries *are*
all before thee.
20 Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked *for some* to take
pity, but *there was* none; and for comforters, but I found none.††
21 They gave me also gall for my meat; and in my thirst they gave me vinegar to drink.

22 Let their table become a snare before them: and *that which should have been* for *their*
welfare, *let it become* a trap.
23 Let their eyes be darkened, that they see not; and make their loins continually to shake.
24 Pour out thine indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them.
25 Let their habitation be desolate; *and* let none dwell in their tents.‡‡§§
26 For they persecute *him* whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of those whom
thou hast wounded.***
27 Add iniquity unto their iniquity: and let them not come into thy righteousness.†††
28 Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous.
29 But I *am* poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.

30 I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify him with thanksgiving.
31 *This* also shall please the LORD better than an ox *or* bullock that hath horns and hoofs.
32 The humble shall see *this, and* be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God.‡‡‡
33 For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth not his prisoners.
34 Let the heaven and earth praise him, the seas, and every thing that moveth therein.§§§
35 For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and
have it in possession.
36 The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell
therein.

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To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David, to bring to remembrance.
1 *Make haste*, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O LORD.*
2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let them be turned
backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.
3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.
4 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation
say continually, Let God be magnified.
5 But I *am* poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou *art* my help and my deliverer;
O LORD, make no tarrying.

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1 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.
2 Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me, and
save me.
3 Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given
commandment to save me; for thou *art* my rock and my fortress.*

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§ **69:12** drunkards: Heb. drinkers of strong drink ** **69:17** hear...: Heb. make haste to hear me †† **69:20** to take...: Heb. to lament with me ‡‡ **69:25** their habitation: Heb. their palace §§ **69:25** let none...: Heb. let there not be a dweller *** **69:26** those...: Heb. thy wounded ††† **69:27** iniquity unto...: or, punishment of iniquity, etc ‡‡‡ **69:32** humble: or, meek §§§ **69:34** moveth: Heb. creepeth * **70:1** to help...: Heb. to my help * **71:3** Be...: Heb. Be thou to me for a rock of habitation

4 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous
and cruel man.
5 For thou *art* my hope, O Lord GOD: *thou art* my trust from my youth.
6 By thee have I been holden up from the womb: thou art he that took me out of my mother's
bowels: my praise *shall be* continually of thee.
7 I am as a wonder unto many; but thou *art* my strong refuge.
8 Let my mouth be filled *with* thy praise *and with* thy honour all the day.
9 Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.
10 For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my soul take counsel
together,†
11 Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him; for *there is* none to deliver *him*.
12 O God, be not far from me: O my God, make haste for my help.
13 Let them be confounded *and* consumed that are adversaries to my soul; let them be
covered *with* reproach and dishonour that seek my hurt.

14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.
15 My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness *and* thy salvation all the day; for I know
not the numbers *thereof*.
16 I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, *even*
of thine only.
17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous
works.
18 Now also when I am old and grayheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed thy
strength unto *this* generation, *and* thy power to every one *that* is to come.‡§
19 Thy righteousness also, O God, *is* very high, who hast done great things: O God, who *is*
like unto thee!
20 *Thou*, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt
bring me up again from the depths of the earth.
21 Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.
22 I will also praise thee with the psaltery, *even* thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing
with the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.**
23 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast
redeemed.
24 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded,
for they are brought unto shame, that seek my hurt.

72

A Psalm for Solomon.
1 Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.*

2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.
3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness.
4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall
break in pieces the oppressor.
5 They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.
6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers *that* water the earth.
7 In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon
endureth.†
8 He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.
9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the
dust.
10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba
shall offer gifts.
11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.
12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and *him* that hath no helper.
13 He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.
14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be
in his sight.

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† **71:10** lay...: Heb. watch, or, observe ‡ **71:18** when...: Heb. unto old age and gray hairs § **71:18** thy strength: Heb. thine arm ** **71:22** the psaltery: Heb. the instrument of psaltery * **72:1** for: or, of † **72:7** so long...: Heb. till there be no moon

15 And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be
made for him continually; *and* daily shall he be praised.‡
16 There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit
thereof shall shake like Lebanon: and *they* of the city shall flourish like grass of the
earth.
17 His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and *men*
shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.§**

18 Blessed *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.
19 And blessed *be* his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled *with* his glory;
Amen, and Amen.
20 The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

73

A Psalm of Asaph.

1 Truly God *is* good to Israel, *even* to such as are of a clean heart.*†‡
2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.
3 For I was envious at the foolish, *when* I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
4 For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength *is* firm.§
5 They *are* not in trouble *as other* men; neither are they plagued like *other* men.**††
6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them *as* a garment.
7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish.‡‡
8 They are corrupt, and speak wickedly *concerning* oppression: they speak loftily.
9 They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.
10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full *cup* are wrung out to them.
11 And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?
12 Behold, these *are* the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase *in* riches.
13 Verily I have cleansed my heart *in* vain, and washed my hands in innocency.
14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and chastened every morning.§§

15 If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend *against* the generation of thy children.
16 When I thought to know this, it *was* too painful for me;***
17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; *then* understood I their end.
18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.
19 How are they *brought* into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with
terrors.
20 As a dream when *one* awaketh; *so*, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their
image.

21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.
22 So foolish *was* I, and ignorant: I was *as* a beast before thee.†††‡‡‡
23 Nevertheless I *am* continually with thee: thou hast holden *me* by my right hand.
24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me *to* glory.
25 Whom have I in heaven *but thee*? and *there is* none upon earth *that* I desire beside thee.
26 My flesh and my heart faileth: *but* God *is* the strength of my heart, and my portion for
ever.§§§
27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a
whoring from thee.
28 But *it is* good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may
declare all thy works.

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Maschil of Asaph.

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‡ **72:15** shall be given: Heb. one shall give § **72:17** endure: Heb. be ** **72:17** his name shall be...: Heb. shall be as a son to continue his father's name for ever * **73:1** of: or, for † **73:1** Truly: or, Yet ‡ **73:1** of...: Heb. clean of heart § **73:4** firm: Heb. fat ** **73:5** in...: Heb. in the trouble of other men †† **73:5** like: Heb. with ‡‡ **73:7** have...: Heb. pass the thoughts of the heart §§ **73:14** chastened: Heb. my chastisement was *** **73:16** too...: Heb. labour in mine eyes ††† **73:22** ignorant: Heb. I knew not ‡‡‡ **73:22** before: Heb. with §§§ **73:26** strength: Heb. rock

1 O God, why hast thou cast *us* off for ever? *why* doth thine anger smoke against the sheep
of thy pasture?*
2 Remember thy congregation, *which* thou hast purchased of old; the rod of thine inheri-
tance, *which* thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt.†
3 Lift up thy feet unto the perpetual desolations; *even* all *that* the enemy hath done wickedly
in the sanctuary.
4 Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; they set up their ensigns *for* signs.
5 *A man* was famous according as he had lifted up axes upon the thick trees.
6 But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes and hammers.
7 They have cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled *by casting down* the dwelling
place of thy name to the ground.‡
8 They said in their hearts, Let us destroy them together: they have burned up all the
synagogues of God in the land.§
9 We see not our signs: *there is* no more any prophet: neither *is there* among us any that
knoweth how long.
10 O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for
ever?
11 Why withdrawest thou thy hand, even thy right hand? pluck *it* out of thy bosom.

12 For God *is* my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth.
13 Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the
waters.**††
14 Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, *and* gavest him *to be* meat to the people
inhabiting the wilderness.
15 Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood: thou driedst up mighty rivers.‡‡
16 The day *is* thine, the night also *is* thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
17 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter.§§

18 Remember this, *that* the enemy hath reproached, O LORD, and *that* the foolish people
have blasphemed thy name.
19 O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude *of the wicked:* forget not the
congregation of thy poor for ever.
20 Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations
of cruelty.
21 O let not the oppressed return ashamed: let the poor and needy praise thy name.
22 Arise, O God, plead thine own cause: remember how the foolish man reproacheth thee
daily.
23 Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of those that rise up against thee
increaseth continually.***

75

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, A Psalm *or* Song of Asaph.
1 Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks, *unto thee* do we give thanks: for *that* thy name is
near thy wondrous works declare.*†
2 When I shall receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.‡
3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear up the pillars of it. Selah.
4 I said unto the fools, Deal not foolishly: and to the wicked, Lift not up the horn:
5 Lift not up your horn on high: speak *not with* a stiff neck.

6 For promotion *cometh* neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south.§
7 But God *is* the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.
8 For in the hand of the LORD *there is* a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture; and
he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall
wring *them* out, *and* drink *them*.
9 But I will declare for ever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

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* **74:1** Maschil...: or, A Psalm for Asaph to give instruction † **74:2** rod: or, tribe ‡ **74:7** They have cast...: Heb. They have sent thy sanctuary unto the fire § **74:8** destroy: Heb. break ** **74:13** divide: Heb. break †† **74:13** dragons: or, whales ‡‡ **74:15** mighty...: Heb. rivers of strength §§ **74:17** made: Heb. made them *** **74:23** increaseth: Heb. ascendeth * **75:1** Al-taschith: or, Destroy not † **75:1** of: or, for ‡ **75:2** receive...: or, take a set time § **75:6** south: Heb. desert

10 All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; *but* the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

76

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm *or* Song of Asaph.

1 In Judah *is* God known: his name *is* great in Israel.*†
2 In Salem also is his tabernacle, and his dwelling place in Zion.
3 There brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield, and the sword, and the battle. Selah.
4 Thou *art* more glorious *and* excellent than the mountains of prey.
5 The stouthearted are spoiled, they have slept their sleep: and none of the men of might have found their hands.
6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead sleep.

7 Thou, *even* thou, *art* to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry?
8 Thou didst cause judgment to be heard from heaven; the earth feared, and was still,
9 When God arose to judgment, to save all the meek of the earth. Selah.
10 Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.
11 Vow, and pay unto the LORD your God: let all that be round about him bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.‡
12 He shall cut off the spirit of princes: *he is* terrible to the kings of the earth.

77

To the chief Musician, to Jeduthun, A Psalm of Asaph.

1 I cried unto God with my voice, *even* unto God with my voice; and he gave ear unto me.*
2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord: my sore ran in the night, and ceased not: my soul refused to be comforted.†
3 I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed. Selah.
4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot speak.
5 I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.
6 I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine own heart: and my spirit made diligent search.
7 Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favourable no more?
8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever? doth *his* promise fail for evermore?‡
9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah.
10 And I said, This *is* my infirmity: *but I will remember* the years of the right hand of the most High.

11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.
12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.
13 Thy way, O God, *is* in the sanctuary: who *is so* great a God as *our* God?
14 Thou *art* the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.
15 Thou hast with *thine* arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.
16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.
17 The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.§
18 The voice of thy thunder *was* in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.
19 Thy way *is* in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.
20 Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

78

Maschil of Asaph.

1 Give ear, O my people, *to* my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.*
2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:
3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.

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* **76:1** chief...: or, overseer † **76:1** of: or, for ‡ **76:11** unto him...: Heb. to fear * **77:1** of: or, for † **77:2** sore: Heb. hand ‡ **77:8** for evermore: Heb. to generation and generation? § **77:17** poured...: Heb. were poured forth with water * **78:1** Maschil...: or, A Psalm for Asaph to give instruction

4 We will not hide *them* from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises
of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.
5 For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he
commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children:
6 That the generation to come might know *them, even* the children *which* should be born;
who should arise and declare *them* to their children:
7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his
commandments:
8 And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation *that*
set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.†

9 The children of Ephraim, *being* armed, *and* carrying bows, turned back in the day of
battle.‡
10 They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;
11 And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.
12 Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, in the land of Egypt, *in* the field of
Zoan.
13 He divided the sea, and caused them to pass through; and he made the waters to stand
as an heap.
14 In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire.
15 He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave *them* drink as *out of* the great depths.
16 He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.
17 And they sinned yet more against him by provoking the most High in the wilderness.
18 And they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their lust.
19 Yea, they spake against God; they said, Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?§
20 Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed; can
he give bread also? can he provide flesh for his people?
21 Therefore the LORD heard *this*, and was wroth: so a fire was kindled against Jacob, and
anger also came up against Israel;
22 Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:
23 Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven,
24 And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of
heaven.
25 Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full.**
26 He caused an east wind to blow in the heaven: and by his power he brought in the south
wind.††
27 He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea:‡‡
28 And he let *it* fall in the midst of their camp, round about their habitations.
29 So they did eat, and were well filled: for he gave them their own desire;
30 They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat *was* yet in their mouths,
31 The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the fattest of them, and smote down the
chosen *men* of Israel.§§***
32 For all this they sinned still, and believed not for his wondrous works.
33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years in trouble.
34 When he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and enquired early after
God.
35 And they remembered that God *was* their rock, and the high God their redeemer.
36 Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their
tongues.
37 For their heart was not right with him, neither were they stedfast in his covenant.
38 But he, *being* full of compassion, forgave *their* iniquity, and destroyed *them* not: yea,
many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath.
39 For he remembered that they *were but* flesh; a wind that passeth away, and cometh not
again.

40 How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, *and* grieve him in the desert!†††
41 Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.

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† **78:8** that...: Heb. that prepared not their heart ‡ **78:9** carrying: Heb. throwing forth § **78:19** furnish: Heb. order ** **78:25** Man...: or, Every one did eat the bread of the mighty †† **78:26** to blow: Heb. to go ‡‡ **78:27** feathered...: Heb. fowl of wing §§ **78:31** smote...: Heb. made to bow *** **78:31** chosen...: or, young men ††† **78:40** provoke: or, rebel against

42 They remembered not his hand, *nor* the day when he delivered them from the enemy.‡‡‡
43 How he had wrought his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the field of Zoan:§§§
44 And had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that they could not drink.
45 He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and frogs, which destroyed them.
46 He gave also their increase unto the caterpiller, and their labour unto the locust.
47 He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycomore trees with frost.*†
48 He gave up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to hot thunderbolts.‡§
49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels *among them*.
50 He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence;**††
51 And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of *their* strength in the tabernacles of Ham:
52 But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.
53 And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea overwhelmed their enemies.‡‡
54 And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, *even to* this mountain, *which* his right hand had purchased.
55 He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.
56 Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies:
57 But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow.
58 For they provoked him to anger with their high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images.
59 When God heard *this*, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:
60 So that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent *which* he placed among men;
61 And delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into the enemy's hand.
62 He gave his people over also unto the sword; and was wroth with his inheritance.
63 The fire consumed their young men; and their maidens were not given to marriage.§§
64 Their priests fell by the sword; and their widows made no lamentation.
65 Then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, *and* like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine.
66 And he smote his enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a perpetual reproach.
67 Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim:
68 But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.
69 And he built his sanctuary like high *palaces*, like the earth which he hath established for ever.***
70 He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds:
71 From following the ewes great with young he brought him to feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.†††
72 So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.

79

A Psalm of Asaph.
1 O God, the heathen are come into thine inheritance; thy holy temple have they defiled; they have laid Jerusalem on heaps.*
2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given *to be* meat unto the fowls of the heaven, the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the earth.
3 Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem; and *there was* none to bury *them*.
4 We are become a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and derision to them that are round about us.

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‡‡‡ **78:42** from...: or, from affliction §§§ **78:43** wrought: Heb. set * **78:47** destroyed: Heb. killed † **78:47** frost: or, great hailstones ‡ **78:48** gave...: Heb. shut up § **78:48** hot...: or, lightnings ** **78:50** He made...: Heb. He weighed a path †† **78:50** life...: or, beasts to the murrain ‡‡ **78:53** overwhelmed: Heb. covered §§ **78:63** given...: Heb. praised *** **78:69** established: Heb. founded ††† **78:71** following: Heb. after * **79:1** of: or, for

5 How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire?

6 Pour out thy wrath upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the kingdoms
that have not called upon thy name.
7 For they have devoured Jacob, and laid waste his dwelling place.
8 O remember not against us former iniquities: let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us:
for we are brought very low.†
9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away
our sins, for thy name's sake.
10 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where *is* their God? let him be known among the
heathen in our sight *by* the revenging of the blood of thy servants *which is* shed.‡
11 Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee; according to the greatness of thy power
preserve thou those that are appointed to die;§**
12 And render unto our neighbours sevenfold into their bosom their reproach, wherewith
they have reproached thee, O Lord.
13 So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever: we will shew
forth thy praise to all generations.††

80

To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim-eduth, A Psalm of Asaph.
1 Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest
between the cherubims, shine forth.*
2 Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength, and come *and* save us.†
3 Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.
4 O LORD God of hosts, how long wilt thou be angry against the prayer of thy people?‡
5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears to drink in great
measure.
6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh among themselves.
7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.
9 Thou preparedst *room* before it, and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land.
10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof *were like* the goodly
cedars.§
11 She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river.
12 Why hast thou *then* broken down her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way do
pluck her?
13 The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it.
14 Return, we beseech thee, O God of hosts: look down from heaven, and behold, and visit
this vine;
15 And the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted, and the branch *that* thou madest
strong for thyself.
16 *It is* burned with fire, *it is* cut down: they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.
17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man *whom* thou madest
strong for thyself.
18 So will not we go back from thee: quicken us, and we will call upon thy name.
19 Turn us again, O LORD God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

81

To the chief Musician upon Gittith, *A Psalm* of Asaph.
1 Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.*
2 Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.
3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.
4 For this *was* a statute for Israel, *and* a law of the God of Jacob.
5 This he ordained in Joseph *for* a testimony, when he went out through the land of Egypt:
where I heard a language *that* I understood not.†

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† **79:8** former...: or, the iniquities of them that were before us ‡ **79:10** revenging: Heb. vengeance § **79:11** thy...: Heb. thine arm ** **79:11** preserve...: Heb. reserve the children of death †† **79:13** to all...: Heb. to generation and generation * **80:1** of: or, for † **80:2** come...: Heb. come for salvation to us ‡ **80:4** be...: Heb. smoke § **80:10** goodly...: Heb. cedars of God * **81:1** of Asaph: or, for Asaph † **81:5** through: or, against

6 I removed his shoulder from the burden: his hands were delivered from the pots.‡
7 Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee in the secret place of
thunder: I proved thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah.§

8 Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me;
9 There shall no strange god be in thee; neither shalt thou worship any strange god.
10 I *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth
wide, and I will fill it.
11 But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would none of me.
12 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lust: *and* they walked in their own counsels.**
13 Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, *and* Israel had walked in my ways!
14 I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adver-
saries.
15 The haters of the LORD should have submitted themselves unto him: but their time
should have endured for ever.††
16 He should have fed them also with the finest of the wheat: and with honey out of the
rock should I have satisfied thee.‡‡

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A Psalm of Asaph.

1 God standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the gods.*
2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.
3 Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.†
4 Deliver the poor and needy: rid *them* out of the hand of the wicked.
5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the
foundations of the earth are out of course.‡

6 I have said, Ye *are* gods; and all of you *are* children of the most High.
7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.
8 Arise, O God, judge the earth: for thou shalt inherit all nations.

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A Song *or* Psalm of Asaph.

1 Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.*
2 For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head.
3 They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones.
4 They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from *being* a nation; that the name of Israel
may be no more in remembrance.
5 For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee:†
6 The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes;
7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre;
8 Assur also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah.‡

9 Do unto them as *unto* the Midianites; as *to* Sisera, as *to* Jabin, at the brook of Kison:
10 *Which* perished at Endor: they became *as* dung for the earth.
11 Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as
Zalmunna:
12 Who said, Let us take to ourselves the houses of God in possession.
13 O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind.
14 As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame setteth the mountains on fire;
15 So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm.
16 Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O LORD.
17 Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish:
18 That *men* may know that thou, whose name alone *is* JEHOVAH, *art* the most high over all
the earth.

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‡ **81:6** were...: Heb. passed away § **81:7** Meribah: or, Strife ** **81:12** unto...: or, to the hardness of their hearts, or, imagination †† **81:15** submitted...: or, yielded feigned obedience: Heb. lied ‡‡ **81:16** finest...: Heb. fat of wheat * **82:1** of Asaph: or, for Asaph † **82:3** Defend: Heb. Judge ‡ **82:5** out...: Heb. moved * **83:1** of Asaph: or, for Asaph † **83:5** consent: Heb. heart ‡ **83:8** holpen: Heb. been an arm to

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To the chief Musician upon Gittith, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.

1 How amiable *are* thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts!*
2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh
crieth out for the living God.
3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may
lay her young, *even* thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.
4 Blessed *are* they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.
5 Blessed *is* the man whose strength *is* in thee; in whose heart *are* the ways *of them*.
6 *Who* passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools.†‡
7 They go from strength to strength, *every one of them* in Zion appeareth before God.§

8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah.
9 Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed.
10 For a day in thy courts *is* better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the
house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
11 For the LORD God *is* a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good *thing*
will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.
12 O LORD of hosts, blessed *is* the man that trusteth in thee.

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To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.

1 LORD, thou hast been favourable unto thy land: thou hast brought back the captivity of
Jacob.*†
2 Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people, thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.
3 Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast turned *thyself* from the fierceness of thine
anger.‡
4 Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease.
5 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations?
6 Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?
7 Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hear what God the LORD will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to
his saints: but let them not turn again to folly.
9 Surely his salvation *is* nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.
10 Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed *each other*.
11 Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
12 Yea, the LORD shall give *that which is* good; and our land shall yield her increase.
13 Righteousness shall go before him; and shall set *us* in the way of his steps.

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A Prayer of David.

1 Bow down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I *am* poor and needy.*
2 Preserve my soul; for I *am* holy: O thou my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee.†
3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee daily.‡
4 Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.
5 For thou, Lord, *art* good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that
call upon thee.
6 Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications.
7 In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt answer me.

8 Among the gods *there is* none like unto thee, O Lord; neither *are there any works* like unto
thy works.
9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall
glorify thy name.
10 For thou *art* great, and doest wondrous things: thou *art* God alone.

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* **84:1** for the sons: or, of the sons † **84:6** Baca...: or, mulberry trees make him a well, etc ‡ **84:6** filleth: Heb. covereth § **84:7** strength to...: or, company to company ** **84:10** I had...: Heb. I would choose rather to sit at the threshold * **85:1** for the sons: or, of the sons † **85:1** favourable: or, well pleased ‡ **85:3** thyself...: or, thine anger from waxing hot * **86:1** A Prayer...: or, A Prayer, being a Psalm of David † **86:2** holy: or, one whom thou favourest ‡ **86:3** daily: or, all the day

11 Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.
12 I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.
13 For great *is* thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell.§
14 O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent *men* have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them.**
15 But thou, O Lord, *art* a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.
16 O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.
17 Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see *it*, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

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A Psalm *or* Song for the sons of Korah.
1 His foundation *is* in the holy mountains.*
2 The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
3 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. Selah.

4 I will make mention of Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this *man* was born there.
5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her.
6 The LORD shall count, when he writeth up the people, *that* this *man* was born there. Selah.
7 As well the singers as the players on instruments *shall be there:* all my springs *are* in thee.

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A Song *or* Psalm for the sons of Korah, to the chief Musician upon Mahalath Leannoth, Maschil of Heman the Ezrahite.
1 O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day *and* night before thee:*†
2 Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;
3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.
4 I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man *that hath* no strength:
5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom thou rememberest no more: and they are cut off from thy hand.‡
6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.
7 Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted *me* with all thy waves. Selah.
8 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made me an abomination unto them: *I am* shut up, and I cannot come forth.
9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched out my hands unto thee.

10 Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise *and* praise thee? Selah.
11 Shall thy lovingkindness be declared in the grave? *or* thy faithfulness in destruction?
12 Shall thy wonders be known in the dark? and thy righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?
13 But unto thee have I cried, O LORD; and in the morning shall my prayer prevent thee.
14 LORD, why castest thou off my soul? *why* hidest thou thy face from me?
15 I *am* afflicted and ready to die from *my* youth up: *while* I suffer thy terrors I am distracted.
16 Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.
17 They came round about me daily like water; they compassed me about together.§
18 Lover and friend hast thou put far from me, *and* mine acquaintance into darkness.

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Maschil of Ethan the Ezrahite.
1 I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations.*†

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§ **86:13** hell: or, grave ** **86:14** violent: Heb. terrible * **87:1** for the sons: or, of the sons * **88:1** for the sons: or, of the sons † **88:1** Maschil...: or, A Psalm of Heman the Ezrahite, giving instruction ‡ **88:5** from: or, by § **88:17** daily: or, all the day * **89:1** Maschil...: or, A Psalm for Ethan the Ezrahite, to give instruction † **89:1** to all...: Heb. to generation and generation

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in
the very heavens.
3 I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant,
4 Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations. Selah.

5 And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congrega-
tion of the saints.
6 For who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? *who* among the sons of the
mighty can be likened unto the LORD?
7 God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all
them that are about him.
8 O LORD God of hosts, who *is* a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round
about thee?
9 Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.
10 Thou hast broken Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies
with thy strong arm.‡§
11 The heavens *are* thine, the earth also *is* thine: *as for* the world and the fulness thereof,
thou hast founded them.**
12 The north and the south thou hast created them: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy
name.
13 Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, *and* high is thy right hand.††
14 Justice and judgment *are* the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before
thy face.‡‡

15 Blessed *is* the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of
thy countenance.
16 In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.
17 For thou *art* the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted.
18 For the LORD *is* our defence; and the Holy One of Israel *is* our king.§§

19 Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have laid help upon *one that is*
mighty; I have exalted *one* chosen out of the people.
20 I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him:
21 With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him.
22 The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.
23 And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.
24 But my faithfulness and my mercy *shall be* with him: and in my name shall his horn be
exalted.
25 I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.
26 He shall cry unto me, Thou *art* my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.
27 Also I will make him *my* firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.
28 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
29 His seed also will I make *to endure* for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven.
30 If his children forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments;
31 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments;***
32 Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes.
33 Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithful-
ness to fail.†††‡‡‡
34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.
35 Once have I sworn by my holiness that I will not lie unto David.§§§
36 His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.
37 It shall be established for ever as the moon, and *as* a faithful witness in heaven. Selah.

38 But thou hast cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with thine anointed.
39 Thou hast made void the covenant of thy servant: thou hast profaned his crown *by*
casting it to the ground.

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‡ **89:10** Rahab: or, Egypt § **89:10** thy...: Heb. the arm of thy strength ** **89:11** the fulness...: or, all it containeth †† **89:13** a...: Heb. an arm with might ‡‡ **89:14** habitation: or, establishment §§ **89:18** the LORD...: or, our shield is of the LORD, and our king is of the Holy One of Israel *** **89:31** break: Heb. profane ††† **89:33** will...: Heb. I will not make void from him ‡‡‡ **89:33** to fail: Heb. to lie §§§ **89:35** that...: Heb. if I lie

40 Thou hast broken down all his hedges; thou hast brought his strong holds to ruin.
41 All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his neighbours.
42 Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries; thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.
43 Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle.
44 Thou hast made his glory to cease, and cast his throne down to the ground.*
45 The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.
46 How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire?
47 Remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men in vain?
48 What man *is he that* liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.
49 Lord, where *are* thy former lovingkindnesses, *which* thou swarest unto David in thy truth?
50 Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; *how* I do bear in my bosom *the reproach of* all the mighty people;
51 Wherewith thine enemies have reproached, O LORD; wherewith they have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed.
52 Blessed *be* the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen.

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A Prayer of Moses the man of God.

1 Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations.*†
2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God.
3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.
4 For a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday when it is past, and *as* a watch in the night.‡
5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are *as* a sleep: in the morning *they are* like grass *which* groweth up.§
6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up; in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.

7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.
8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret *sins* in the light of thy countenance.
9 For all our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale *that is told.***††
10 The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years, yet *is* their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.‡‡
11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, *so is* thy wrath.

12 So teach *us* to number our days, that we may apply *our* hearts unto wisdom.§§
13 Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.
14 O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
15 Make us glad according to the days *wherein* thou hast afflicted us, *and* the years *wherein* we have seen evil.
16 Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.
17 And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

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1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.*
2 I will say of the LORD, *He is* my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, *and* from the noisome pestilence.
4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth *shall be thy* shield and buckler.

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* **89:44** glory: Heb. brightness * **90:1** A Prayer...: or, A Prayer, being a Psalm of Moses † **90:1** in...: Heb. in generation and generation ‡ **90:4** when...: or, when he hath passed them § **90:5** groweth...: or, is changed ** **90:9** passed...: Heb. turned away †† **90:9** as a...: or, as a meditation ‡‡ **90:10** The days...: Heb. As for the days of our years, in them are seventy years §§ **90:12** apply: Heb. cause to come * **91:1** abide: Heb. lodge

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day;
6 *Nor* for the pestilence *that* walketh in darkness; *nor* for the destruction *that* wasteth at noonday.
7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; *but* it shall not come nigh thee.
8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

9 Because thou hast made the LORD, *which is* my refuge, *even* the most High, thy habitation;
10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
12 They shall bear thee up in *their* hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.†
14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.
15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I *will be* with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.
16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.‡

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A Psalm *or* Song for the sabbath day.
1 *It is a* good *thing* to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:
2 To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night,*
3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound.†‡
4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.
5 O LORD, how great are thy works! *and* thy thoughts are very deep.
6 A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this.

7 When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; *it is* that they shall be destroyed for ever:
8 But thou, LORD, *art most* high for evermore.
9 For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.
10 But my horn shalt thou exalt like *the horn of* an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil.
11 Mine eye also shall see *my desire* on mine enemies, *and* mine ears shall hear *my desire* of the wicked that rise up against me.
12 The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.
13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.
14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing;§
15 To shew that the LORD *is* upright: *he is* my rock, and *there is* no unrighteousness in him.

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1 The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, *wherewith* he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.
2 Thy throne *is* established of old: thou *art* from everlasting.*
3 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.
4 The LORD on high *is* mightier than the noise of many waters, *yea, than* the mighty waves of the sea.
5 Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O LORD, for ever.†

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† **91:13** adder: or, asp ‡ **91:16** long...: Heb. length of days * **92:2** every...: Heb. in the nights † **92:3** the harp...: or, the solemn sound with the harp ‡ **92:3** a solemn...: Heb. Higgaion § **92:14** flourishing: Heb. green * **93:2** of old: Heb. from then † **93:5** for ever: Heb. to length of days

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1 O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew
thyself.*†
2 Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.
3 LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?
4 *How long* shall they utter *and* speak hard things? *and* all the workers of iniquity boast
themselves?
5 They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage.
6 They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.
7 Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard *it*.
8 Understand, ye brutish among the people: and *ye* fools, when will ye be wise?
9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?
10 He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that teacheth man knowledge,
shall not he know?
11 The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they *are* vanity.

12 Blessed *is* the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;
13 That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the
wicked.
14 For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.
15 But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow
it.‡
16 Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? *or* who will stand up for me against the
workers of iniquity?
17 Unless the LORD *had been* my help, my soul had almost dwelt in silence.§
18 When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.
19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.
20 Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law?
21 They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the
innocent blood.
22 But the LORD is my defence; and my God *is* the rock of my refuge.
23 And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own
wickedness; *yea*, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

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1 O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.
2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with
psalms.*
3 For the LORD *is* a great God, and a great King above all gods.
4 In his hand *are* the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills *is* his also.†‡
5 The sea *is* his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry *land*.§
6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

7 For he *is* our God; and we *are* the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day
if ye will hear his voice,
8 Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, *and* as *in* the day of temptation in the
wilderness:**
9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work.
10 Forty years long was I grieved with *this* generation, and said, It *is* a people that do err in
their heart, and they have not known my ways:
11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath that they should not enter into my rest.††

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1 O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.
2 Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.
3 Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.

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* **94:1** God...: Heb. God of revenges † **94:1** shew...: Heb. shine forth ‡ **94:15** shall follow...: Heb. shall be after it § **94:17** almost: or, quickly * **95:2** come...: Heb. prevent his face † **95:4** In...: Heb. In whose ‡ **95:4** the strength...: or, the heights of the hills are his § **95:5** The sea...: Heb. Whose the sea is ** **95:8** provocation: Heb. contention †† **95:11** that...: Heb. if they enter into my rest

4 For the LORD *is* great, and greatly to be praised: he *is* to be feared above all gods.
5 For all the gods of the nations *are* idols: but the LORD made the heavens.
6 Honour and majesty *are* before him: strength and beauty *are* in his sanctuary.
7 Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.
8 Give unto the LORD the glory *due unto* his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.*
9 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.†

10 Say among the heathen *that* the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously.
11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.‡
12 Let the field be joyful, and all that *is* therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice
13 Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

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1 The LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad *thereof*.*
2 Clouds and darkness *are* round about him: righteousness and judgment *are* the habitation of his throne.†
3 A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.
4 His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.
5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people see his glory.
7 Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him, all *ye* gods.

8 Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.
9 For thou, LORD, *art* high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.
10 Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
11 Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.
12 Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.‡

98

A Psalm.
1 O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.
2 The LORD hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.*
3 He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

4 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.
5 Sing unto the LORD with the harp; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.
6 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King.
7 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.†
8 Let the floods clap *their* hands: let the hills be joyful together
9 Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

99

1 The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth *between* the cherubims; let the earth be moved.*
2 The LORD *is* great in Zion; and he *is* high above all the people.
3 Let them praise thy great and terrible name; *for* it *is* holy.

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* **96:8** due...: Heb. of his name † **96:9** in the...: or, in the glorious sanctuary ‡ **96:11** the fulness...: or, all it containeth
* **97:1** multitude...: Heb. many, or, great isles † **97:2** habitation: or, establishment ‡ **97:12** at...: or, to the memorial
* **98:2** openly...: or, revealed † **98:7** the fulness...: or, all it containeth * **99:1** be moved: Heb. stagger

4 The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.
5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; *for* he *is* holy.†

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that call upon his name; they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.
7 He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar: they kept his testimonies, and the ordinance *that* he gave them.
8 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.
9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God *is* holy.

100

A Psalm of praise.
1 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.*†
2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.
3 Know ye that the LORD he *is* God: *it is* he *that* hath made us, and not we ourselves; *we are* his people, and the sheep of his pasture.‡
4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *and* into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name.
5 For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; and his truth *endureth* to all generations.§

101

A Psalm of David.
1 I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.
2 I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.
3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; *it* shall not cleave to me.*
4 A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked *person*.
5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.
6 Mine eyes *shall be* upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.†
7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.‡
8 I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

102

A Prayer of the afflicted, when he is overwhelmed, and poureth out his complaint before the LORD.
1 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.*
2 Hide not thy face from me in the day *when* I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day *when* I call answer me speedily.
3 For my days are consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as an hearth.†
4 My heart is smitten, and withered like grass; so that I forget to eat my bread.
5 By reason of the voice of my groaning my bones cleave to my skin.‡
6 I am like a pelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the desert.
7 I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top.
8 Mine enemies reproach me all the day; *and* they that are mad against me are sworn against me.
9 For I have eaten ashes like bread, and mingled my drink with weeping,
10 Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: for thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down.
11 My days *are* like a shadow that declineth; and I am withered like grass.

12 But thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations.

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† **99:5** he is...: or, it is holy * **100:1** praise: or, thanksgiving † **100:1** all...: Heb. all the earth ‡ **100:3** and not...: or, and his we are § **100:5** to all...: Heb. to generation and generation * **101:3** wicked...: Heb. thing of Belial † **101:6** in a...: or, perfect in the way ‡ **101:7** shall not tarry: Heb. shall not be established * **102:1** of: or, for † **102:3** like...: or, (as some read) into smoke ‡ **102:5** skin: or, flesh

13 Thou shalt arise, *and* have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time,
is come.
14 For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.
15 So the heathen shall fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth thy glory.
16 When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.
17 He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.
18 This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created
shall praise the LORD.
19 For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the LORD
behold the earth;
20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose those that are appointed to death;§
21 To declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem;
22 When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to serve the LORD.

23 He weakened my strength in the way; he shortened my days.**
24 I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days: thy years *are* throughout all
generations.
25 Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens *are* the work of thy
hands.
26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as
a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed:††
27 But thou *art* the same, and thy years shall have no end.
28 The children of thy servants shall continue, and their seed shall be established before
thee.

103

A Psalm of David.
1 Bless the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *bless* his holy name.
2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:
3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and
tender mercies;
5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things; so that* thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.
7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.
8 The LORD *is* merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.*
9 He will not always chide: neither will he keep *his anger* for ever.
10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.
11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, *so* great is his mercy toward them that fear
him.†
12 As far as the east is from the west, *so* far hath he removed our transgressions from us.
13 Like as a father pitieth *his* children, *so* the LORD pitieth them that fear him.
14 For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we *are* dust.
15 *As for* man, his days *are* as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.
16 For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.‡
17 But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him,
and his righteousness unto children's children;
18 To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do
them.

19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.
20 Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments,
hearkening unto the voice of his word.§
21 Bless ye the LORD, all *ye* his hosts; *ye* ministers of his, that do his pleasure.
22 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.

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§ **102:20** those...: Heb. the children of death ** **102:23** weakened: Heb. afflicted †† **102:26** endure: Heb. stand
* **103:8** plenteous...: Heb. great in mercy † **103:11** as...: Heb. according to the height of the heaven ‡ **103:16** it is...:
Heb. it is not § **103:20** that excel...: Heb. mighty in strength

104

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with
honour and majesty.
2 Who coverest *thyself* with light as *with* a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a
curtain:
3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot:
who walketh upon the wings of the wind:
4 Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:
5 *Who* laid the foundations of the earth, *that* it should not be removed for ever.*
6 Thou coveredst it with the deep as *with* a garment: the waters stood above the mountains.
7 At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.
8 They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast
founded for them.†
9 Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they turn not again to cover the
earth.

10 He sendeth the springs into the valleys, *which* run among the hills.‡§
11 They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses quench their thirst.**
12 By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation, *which* sing among the
branches.††
13 He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.
14 He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may
bring forth food out of the earth;
15 And wine *that* maketh glad the heart of man, *and* oil to make *his* face to shine, and bread
which strengtheneth man's heart.‡‡
16 The trees of the LORD are full *of sap;* the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted;
17 Where the birds make their nests: *as for* the stork, the fir trees *are* her house.
18 The high hills *are* a refuge for the wild goats; *and* the rocks for the conies.

19 He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down.
20 Thou makest darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep
forth.§§
21 The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God.
22 The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.
23 Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening.
24 O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is
full of thy riches.
25 *So is* this great and wide sea, wherein *are* things creeping innumerable, both small and
great beasts.
26 There go the ships: *there is* that leviathan, *whom* thou hast made to play therein.***
27 These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give *them* their meat in due season.
28 *That* thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good.
29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and
return to their dust.
30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

31 The glory of the LORD shall endure for ever: the LORD shall rejoice in his works.†††
32 He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.
33 I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my
being.
34 My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD.
35 Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou
the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD.

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* **104:5** Who...: Heb. He hath founded the earth upon her bases † **104:8** They go up...: or, The mountains ascend, the valleys descend ‡ **104:10** He: Heb. Who § **104:10** run: Heb. walk ** **104:11** quench: Heb. break †† **104:12** sing: Heb. give a voice ‡‡ **104:15** oil...: Heb. to make his face shine with oil, or, more than oil §§ **104:20** beasts...: Heb. beasts thereof do trample on the forest *** **104:26** made: Heb. formed ††† **104:31** endure: Heb. be

105

1 O give thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people.
2 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works.
3 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.
4 Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore.
5 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;
6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen.
7 He *is* the LORD our God: his judgments *are* in all the earth.

8 He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations.
9 Which *covenant* he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;
10 And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, *and* to Israel *for* an everlasting covenant:
11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance:*
12 When they were *but* a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.
13 When they went from one nation to another, from *one* kingdom to another people;
14 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes;
15 *Saying*, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.
16 Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the whole staff of bread.
17 He sent a man before them, *even* Joseph, *who* was sold for a servant:
18 Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:†
19 Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.
20 The king sent and loosed him; *even* the ruler of the people, and let him go free.
21 He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:‡
22 To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.
23 Israel also came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.
24 And he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.

25 He turned their heart to hate his people, to deal subtilly with his servants.
26 He sent Moses his servant; *and* Aaron whom he had chosen.
27 They shewed his signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham.§
28 He sent darkness, and made it dark; and they rebelled not against his word.
29 He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.
30 Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of their kings.
31 He spake, and there came divers sorts of flies, *and* lice in all their coasts.
32 He gave them hail for rain, *and* flaming fire in their land.**
33 He smote their vines also and their fig trees; and brake the trees of their coasts.
34 He spake, and the locusts came, and caterpillers, and that without number,
35 And did eat up all the herbs in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.
36 He smote also all the firstborn in their land, the chief of all their strength.
37 He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and *there was* not one feeble *person* among their tribes.
38 Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them fell upon them.
39 He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.
40 *The people* asked, and he brought quails, and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.
41 He opened the rock, and the waters gushed out; they ran in the dry places *like* a river.
42 For he remembered his holy promise, *and* Abraham his servant.
43 And he brought forth his people with joy, *and* his chosen with gladness:††
44 And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people;
45 That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. Praise ye the LORD.‡‡

106

1 Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.*
2 Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? *who* can shew forth all his praise?
3 Blessed *are* they that keep judgment, *and* he that doeth righteousness at all times.

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* **105:11** lot: Heb. cord † **105:18** he...: Heb. his soul came into iron ‡ **105:21** substance: Heb. possession § **105:27** his...: Heb. words of his signs ** **105:32** them...: Heb. their rain hail †† **105:43** gladness: Heb. singing ‡‡ **105:45** Praise...: Heb. Hallelujah * **106:1** Praise...: Heb. Hallelujah

4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favour *that thou bearest unto* thy people: O visit me with
thy salvation;
5 That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that
I may glory with thine inheritance.

6 We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.
7 Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt; they remembered not the multitude of
thy mercies; but provoked *him* at the sea, *even* at the Red sea.
8 Nevertheless he saved them for his name's sake, that he might make his mighty power to
be known.
9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them through the depths, as
through the wilderness.
10 And he saved them from the hand of him that hated *them*, and redeemed them from the
hand of the enemy.
11 And the waters covered their enemies: there was not one of them left.
12 Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.

13 They soon forgat his works; they waited not for his counsel:†
14 But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in the desert.‡
15 And he gave them their request; but sent leanness into their soul.
16 They envied Moses also in the camp, *and* Aaron the saint of the LORD.
17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, and covered the company of Abiram.
18 And a fire was kindled in their company; the flame burned up the wicked.
19 They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image.
20 Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass.
21 They forgat God their saviour, which had done great things in Egypt;
22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham, *and* terrible things by the Red sea.
23 Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before
him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy *them*.
24 Yea, they despised the pleasant land, they believed not his word:§
25 But murmured in their tents, *and* hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.
26 Therefore he lifted up his hand against them, to overthrow them in the wilderness:**
27 To overthrow their seed also among the nations, and to scatter them in the lands.††
28 They joined themselves also unto Baal-peor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead.
29 Thus they provoked *him* to anger with their inventions: and the plague brake in upon
them.
30 Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment: and *so* the plague was stayed.
31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all generations for evermore.
32 They angered *him* also at the waters of strife, so that it went ill with Moses for their sakes:
33 Because they provoked his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.

34 They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD commanded them:
35 But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.
36 And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them.
37 Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto devils,
38 And shed innocent blood, *even* the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they
sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood.
39 Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own
inventions.
40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he
abhorred his own inheritance.
41 And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over
them.
42 Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their
hand.
43 Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked *him* with their counsel, and were
brought low for their iniquity.‡‡
44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry:

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† **106:13** They soon...: Heb. They made haste, they forgat ‡ **106:14** lusted...: Heb. lusted a lust § **106:24** the pleasant...: Heb. a land of desire ** **106:26** to overthrow: Heb. to make them fall †† **106:27** To overthrow: Heb. To make them fall ‡‡ **106:43** brought...: or, impoverished, or, weakened

45 And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies.
46 He made them also to be pitied of all those that carried them captives.
47 Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto thy holy name, *and* to triumph in thy praise.
48 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD.§§

107

1 O give thanks unto the LORD, for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say *so*, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;
3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.*
4 They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.
5 Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.
6 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he delivered them out of their distresses.
7 And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.
8 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!
9 For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.

10 Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, *being* bound in affliction and iron;
11 Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the most High:
12 Therefore he brought down their heart with labour; they fell down, and *there was* none to help.
13 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saved them out of their distresses.
14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.
15 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!
16 For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.

17 Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted.
18 Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death.
19 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saveth them out of their distresses.
20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destructions.
21 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!
22 And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.†

23 They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters;
24 These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.
25 For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.‡
26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble.
27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wits' end. §
28 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.
29 He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.
30 Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.
31 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!
32 Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

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§§ **106:48** Praise...: Heb. Hallelujah * **107:3** south: Heb. sea † **107:22** rejoicing: Heb. singing ‡ **107:25** raiseth: Heb. maketh to stand § **107:27** are...: Heb. all their wisdom is swallowed up

33 He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into dry ground;
34 A fruitful land into barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.**
35 He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings.
36 And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation;
37 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase.
38 He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.
39 Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.
40 He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the wilderness, *where there is* no way.††
41 Yet setteth he the poor on high from affliction, and maketh *him* families like a flock.‡‡
42 The righteous shall see *it*, and rejoice: and all iniquity shall stop her mouth.
43 Whoso *is* wise, and will observe these *things*, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.

108

A Song *or* Psalm of David.
1 O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.
2 Awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early.
3 I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.
4 For thy mercy *is* great above the heavens: and thy truth *reacheth* unto the clouds.*
5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth;

6 That thy beloved may be delivered: save *with* thy right hand, and answer me.
7 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.
8 Gilead *is* mine; Manasseh *is* mine; Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; Judah *is* my lawgiver;
9 Moab *is* my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; over Philistia will I triumph.
10 Who will bring me into the strong city? who will lead me into Edom?
11 *Wilt* not *thou*, O God, *who* hast cast us off? and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?
12 Give us help from trouble: for vain *is* the help of man.
13 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he *it is that* shall tread down our enemies.

109

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 Hold not thy peace, O God of my praise;
2 For the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful are opened against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.*†
3 They compassed me about also with words of hatred; and fought against me without a cause.
4 For my love they are my adversaries: but I *give myself unto* prayer.
5 And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.

6 Set thou a wicked man over him: and let Satan stand at his right hand.‡
7 When he shall be judged, let him be condemned: and let his prayer become sin.§
8 Let his days be few; *and* let another take his office.**
9 Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.
10 Let his children be continually vagabonds, and beg: let them seek *their bread* also out of their desolate places.
11 Let the extortioner catch all that he hath; and let the strangers spoil his labour.
12 Let there be none to extend mercy unto him: neither let there be any to favour his fatherless children.
13 Let his posterity be cut off; *and* in the generation following let their name be blotted out.

** **107:34** barrenness: Heb. saltiness †† **107:40** wilderness: or, void place ‡‡ **107:41** from: or, after * **108:4** clouds: or, skies * **109:2** of the deceitful: Heb. of deceit † **109:2** are opened: Heb. have opened themselves ‡ **109:6** Satan: or, an adversary § **109:7** be condemned: Heb. go out guilty, or, wicked ** **109:8** office: or, charge

14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered with the LORD; and let not the sin of his
mother be blotted out.
15 Let them be before the LORD continually, that he may cut off the memory of them from
the earth.
16 Because that he remembered not to shew mercy, but persecuted the poor and needy
man, that he might even slay the broken in heart.
17 As he loved cursing, so let it come unto him: as he delighted not in blessing, so let it be
far from him.
18 As he clothed himself with cursing like as with his garment, so let it come into his bowels
like water, and like oil into his bones.††
19 Let it be unto him as the garment *which* covereth him, and for a girdle wherewith he is
girded continually.
20 *Let* this *be* the reward of mine adversaries from the LORD, and of them that speak evil
against my soul.

21 But do thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy name's sake: because thy mercy *is* good,
deliver thou me.
22 For I *am* poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.
23 I am gone like the shadow when it declineth: I am tossed up and down as the locust.
24 My knees are weak through fasting; and my flesh faileth of fatness.
25 I became also a reproach unto them: *when* they looked upon me they shaked their heads.
26 Help me, O LORD my God: O save me according to thy mercy:
27 That they may know that this *is* thy hand; *that* thou, LORD, hast done it.
28 Let them curse, but bless thou: when they arise, let them be ashamed; but let thy servant
rejoice.
29 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame, and let them cover themselves with their
own confusion, as with a mantle.
30 I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth; yea, I will praise him among the multitude.
31 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save *him* from those that condemn his
soul.‡‡

110

A Psalm of David.
1 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy
footstool.
2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine
enemies.
3 Thy people *shall be* willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the
womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.*
4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of
Melchizedek.

5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath.
6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill *the places* with the dead bodies; he shall
wound the heads over many countries.†
7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up the head.

111

1 Praise ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with *my* whole heart, in the assembly of the
upright, and *in* the congregation.*
2 The works of the LORD *are* great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.
3 His work *is* honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
4 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD *is* gracious and full of
compassion.
5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.†

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of
the heathen.
7 The works of his hands *are* verity and judgment; all his commandments *are* sure.

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†† **109:18** into his bowels: Heb. within him ‡‡ **109:31** those...: Heb. the judges of * **110:3** from...: or, more than the womb of the morning: thou shalt have, etc † **110:6** many: or, great * **111:1** Praise ye...: Heb. Hallelujah † **111:5** meat: Heb. prey

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *and are* done in truth and uprightness.‡
9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and
reverend *is* his name.
10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they
that do *his commandments:* his praise endureth for ever.§**

112

1 Praise ye the LORD. Blessed *is* the man *that* feareth the LORD, *that* delighteth greatly in
his commandments.*
2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.
3 Wealth and riches *shall be* in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: *he is* gracious, and full of compassion,
and righteous.
5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.†

6 Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.
7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.
8 His heart *is* established, he shall not be afraid, until he see *his desire* upon his enemies.
9 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his
horn shall be exalted with honour.
10 The wicked shall see *it*, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the
desire of the wicked shall perish.

113

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.*
2 Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.
3 From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD's name *is* to be
praised.
4 The LORD *is* high above all nations, *and* his glory above the heavens.
5 Who *is* like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high,†
6 Who humbleth *himself* to behold *the things that are* in heaven, and in the earth!
7 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth the needy out of the dunghill;
8 That he may set *him* with princes, *even* with the princes of his people.
9 He maketh the barren woman to keep house, *and to be* a joyful mother of children. Praise
ye the LORD.‡

114

1 When Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language;
2 Judah was his sanctuary, *and* Israel his dominion.
3 The sea saw *it*, and fled: Jordan was driven back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams, *and* the little hills like lambs.
5 What *ailed* thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest? thou Jordan, *that* thou wast driven back?
6 Ye mountains, *that* ye skipped like rams; *and* ye little hills, like lambs?
7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob;
8 Which turned the rock *into* a standing water, the flint into a fountain of waters.

115

1 Not unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, *and* for thy
truth's sake.
2 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where *is* now their God?
3 But our God *is* in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.
4 Their idols *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.
5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not:
6 They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not:
7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak
they through their throat.
8 They that make them are like unto them; *so is* every one that trusteth in them.

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‡ **111:8** stand...: Heb. are established § **111:10** a good...: or, good success ** **111:10** his commandments: Heb. them * **112:1** Praise...: Heb. Hallelujah † **112:5** discretion: Heb. judgment * **113:1** Praise ye...: Heb. Hallelujah † **113:5** dwelleth...: Heb. exalteth himself to dwell ‡ **113:9** to keep...: Heb. to dwell in an house

9 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.
10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.
11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.
12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless *us;* he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.
13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, *both* small and great.*
14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.
15 Ye *are* blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.
16 The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.
17 The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.
18 But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.

116

1 I love the LORD, because he hath heard my voice *and* my supplications.
2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon *him* as long as I live.*
3 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.†
4 Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
5 Gracious *is* the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God *is* merciful.
6 The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.
7 Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.
8 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, *and* my feet from falling.
9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

10 I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted:
11 I said in my haste, All men *are* liars.
12 What shall I render unto the LORD *for* all his benefits toward me?
13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.
14 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.
15 Precious in the sight of the LORD *is* the death of his saints.
16 O LORD, truly I *am* thy servant; I *am* thy servant, *and* the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.
17 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.
18 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people,
19 In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

117

1 O praise the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.
2 For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD *endureth* for ever. Praise ye the LORD.

118

1 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: because his mercy *endureth* for ever.
2 Let Israel now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.
3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.
4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.
5 I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, *and set me* in a large place.*
6 The LORD *is* on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?†
7 The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see *my desire* upon them that hate me.
8 *It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.
9 *It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.
10 All nations compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD will I destroy them.‡
11 They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.
12 They compassed me about like bees; they are quenched as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.§

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* **115:13** and: Heb. with * **116:2** as long...: Heb. in my days † **116:3** gat...: Heb. found me * **118:5** in distress: Heb. out of distress † **118:6** on...: Heb. for me ‡ **118:10** destroy...: Heb. cut them off § **118:12** destroy: Heb. cut down

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me.
14 The LORD *is* my strength and song, and is become my salvation.
15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation *is* in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.
16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.
17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.
18 The LORD hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death.

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, *and* I will praise the LORD:
20 This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.
21 I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.
22 The stone *which* the builders refused is become the head *stone* of the corner.
23 This is the LORD's doing; it *is* marvellous in our eyes.**
24 This *is* the day *which* the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25 Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.
26 Blessed *be* he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.
27 God *is* the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, *even* unto the horns of the altar.
28 Thou *art* my God, and I will praise thee: *thou art* my God, I will exalt thee.
29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

119

א *ALEPH.*
1 Blessed *are* the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.*
2 Blessed *are* they that keep his testimonies, *and that* seek him with the whole heart.
3 They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.

4 Thou hast commanded *us* to keep thy precepts diligently.
5 O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!
6 Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7 I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.†
8 I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

ב *BETH.*
9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed *thereto* according to thy word.
10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.
11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.
12 Blessed *art* thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.

13 With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.
14 I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as *much as* in all riches.
15 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.
16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

ג *GIMEL.*
17 Deal bountifully with thy servant, *that* I may live, and keep thy word.
18 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.‡
19 I *am* a stranger in the earth: hide not thy commandments from me.
20 My soul breaketh for the longing *that it hath* unto thy judgments at all times.
21 Thou hast rebuked the proud *that are* cursed, which do err from thy commandments.
22 Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy testimonies.
23 Princes also did sit *and* speak against me: *but* thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.
24 Thy testimonies also *are* my delight *and* my counsellors.§

ד *DALETH.*
25 My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.

** **118:23** the LORD's...: Heb. from the LORD * **119:1** undefiled: or, perfect, or, sincere † **119:7** thy...: Heb. judgments of thy righteousness ‡ **119:18** Open: Heb. Reveal § **119:24** my counsellors: Heb. men of my counsel

26 I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me: teach me thy statutes.
27 Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

28 My soul melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.**
29 Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.

30 I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid *before me*.
31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.
32 I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart.

ה *HE.*
33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it *unto* the end.
34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with *my* whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.
36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.
37 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; *and* quicken thou me in thy way.††
38 Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who *is devoted* to thy fear.
39 Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments *are* good.
40 Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.

ו *VAU.*
41 Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, *even* thy salvation, according to thy word.
42 So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word.‡‡

43 And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy judgments.
44 So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.§§
46 I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.
47 And I will delight myself in my commandments, which I have loved.
48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.

ז *ZAIN.*
49 Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.
50 This *is* my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.
51 The proud have had me greatly in derision: *yet* have I not declined from thy law.
52 I remembered thy judgments of old, O LORD; and have comforted myself.
53 Horror hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that forsake thy law.
54 Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

55 I have remembered thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept thy law.
56 This I had, because I kept thy precepts.

ח *CHETH.*
57 *Thou art* my portion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep thy words.
58 I intreated thy favour with *my* whole heart: be merciful unto me according to thy word.***

59 I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.
60 I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.
61 The bands of the wicked have robbed me: *but* I have not forgotten thy law.†††
62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous judgments.
63 I *am* a companion of all *them* that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts.
64 The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.

ט *TETH.*

** **119:28** melteth: Heb. droppeth †† **119:37** Turn...: Heb. Make to pass ‡‡ **119:42** So...: or, So shall I answer him that reproveth me in a thing §§ **119:45** at liberty: Heb. at large *** **119:58** favour: Heb. face ††† **119:61** bands: or, companies

65 Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto thy word.
66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.
67 Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.
68 Thou *art* good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.

69 The proud have forged a lie against me: *but* I will keep thy precepts with *my* whole heart.
70 Their heart is as fat as grease; *but* I delight in thy law.
71 *It is* good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.
72 The law of thy mouth *is* better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.

י *JOD.*

73 Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.
74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word.
75 I know, O LORD, that thy judgments *are* right, and *that* thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.‡‡‡

76 Let, I pray thee, thy merciful kindness be for my comfort, according to thy word unto thy servant.§§§
77 Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law *is* my delight.

78 Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: *but* I will meditate in thy precepts.
79 Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.
80 Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

כ *CAPH.*

81 My soul fainteth for thy salvation: *but* I hope in thy word.
82 Mine eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?
83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; *yet* do I not forget thy statutes.
84 How many *are* the days of thy servant? when wilt thou execute judgment on them that persecute me?

85 The proud have digged pits for me, which *are* not after thy law.
86 All thy commandments *are* faithful: they persecute me wrongfully; help thou me.*
87 They had almost consumed me upon earth; but I forsook not thy precepts.
88 Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth.

ל *LAMED.*

89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.
90 Thy faithfulness *is* unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.†‡
91 They continue this day according to thine ordinances: for all *are* thy servants.
92 Unless thy law *had been* my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.
93 I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.
94 I *am* thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.
95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: *but* I will consider thy testimonies.
96 I have seen an end of all perfection: *but* thy commandment *is* exceeding broad.

מ *MEM.*

97 O how love I thy law! it *is* my meditation all the day.

98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they *are* ever with me.§
99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies *are* my meditation.
100 I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.
101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.
102 I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.

103 How sweet are thy words unto my taste! *yea, sweeter* than honey to my mouth!**

‡‡‡ **119:75** right: Heb. righteousness §§§ **119:76** for...: Heb. to comfort me * **119:86** faithful: Heb. faithfulness † **119:90** unto...: Heb. to generation and generation ‡ **119:90** abideth: Heb. standeth § **119:98** they...: Heb. it is ever with me ** **119:103** taste: Heb. palate

104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.

נ *NUN.*
105 Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.[††]
106 I have sworn, and I will perform *it*, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.
107 I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.
108 Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.

109 My soul *is* continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.
110 The wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts.

111 Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they *are* the rejoicing of my heart.
112 I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes alway, *even unto* the end.[‡‡]

ס *SAMECH.*
113 I hate *vain* thoughts: but thy law do I love.
114 Thou *art* my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.
115 Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.

116 Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me not be ashamed of my hope.
117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit *is* falsehood.
119 Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth *like* dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.[§§]
120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judgments.

ע *AIN.*
121 I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors.
122 Be surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress me.
123 Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy righteousness.

124 Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy statutes.
125 I *am* thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.
126 *It is* time for *thee*, LORD, to work: *for* they have made void thy law.

127 Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.
128 Therefore I esteem all *thy* precepts *concerning* all *things to be* right; *and* I hate every false way.

פ *PE.*
129 Thy testimonies *are* wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.
130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.
131 I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy commandments.
132 Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.[***]
133 Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.
134 Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts.
135 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.
136 Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.

צ *TZADDI.*
137 Righteous *art* thou, O LORD, and upright *are* thy judgments.
138 Thy testimonies *that* thou hast commanded *are* righteous and very faithful.[†††‡‡‡]
139 My zeal hath consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.[§§§]

[††] **119:105** lamp: or, candle [‡‡] **119:112** to perform: Heb. to do [§§] **119:119** puttest...: Heb. causest to cease [***] **119:132** as thou...: Heb. according to the custom toward those, etc [†††] **119:138** righteous: Heb. righteousness [‡‡‡] **119:138** faithful: Heb. faithfulness [§§§] **119:139** consumed...: Heb. cut me off

140 Thy word *is* very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.*
141 I *am* small and despised: *yet* do not I forget thy precepts.
142 Thy righteousness *is* an everlasting righteousness, and thy law *is* the truth.

143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold on me: *yet* thy commandments *are* my delights.†
144 The righteousness of thy testimonies *is* everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live.

ק *KOPH.*
145 I cried with *my* whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.
146 I cried unto thee; save me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.‡

147 I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in thy word.
148 Mine eyes prevent the *night* watches, that I might meditate in thy word.
149 Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD, quicken me according to thy judgment.

150 They draw nigh that follow after mischief: they are far from thy law.
151 Thou *art* near, O LORD; and all thy commandments *are* truth.
152 Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them for ever.

ר *RESH.*
153 Consider mine affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.
154 Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.
155 Salvation *is* far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes.
156 Great *are* thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to thy judgments.§
157 Many *are* my persecutors and mine enemies; *yet* do I not decline from thy testimonies.
158 I beheld the transgressors, and was grieved; because they kept not thy word.
159 Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.
160 Thy word *is* true *from* the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments *endureth* for ever.**

ש *SCHIN.*
161 Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.
162 I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.
163 I hate and abhor lying: *but* thy law do I love.
164 Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.
165 Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.††
166 LORD, I have hoped for thy salvation, and done thy commandments.

167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.
168 I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my ways *are* before thee.

ת *TAU.*
169 Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me understanding according to thy word.
170 Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.
171 My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.
172 My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments *are* righteousness.

173 Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts.
174 I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law *is* my delight.
175 Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me.
176 I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.

120

A Song of degrees.
1 In my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he heard me.

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* **119:140** pure: Heb. tried, or, refined † **119:143** taken...: Heb. found me ‡ **119:146** and I...: or, that I may keep § **119:156** Great: or, Many ** **119:160** Thy word...: Heb. The beginning of thy word is true †† **119:165** nothing...: Heb. they shall have no stumblingblock

2 Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, *and* from a deceitful tongue.
3 What shall be given unto thee? or what shall be done unto thee, thou false tongue?*†
4 Sharp arrows of the mighty, with coals of juniper.‡

5 Woe is me, that I sojourn in Mesech, *that* I dwell in the tents of Kedar!
6 My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace.
7 I *am for* peace: but when I speak, they *are* for war.§

121

A Song of degrees.
1 I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.*
2 My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.
3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5 The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade upon thy right hand.
6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.
7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.

122

A Song of degrees of David.
1 I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.
2 Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
3 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together:
4 Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD.
5 For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.*

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.
7 Peace be within thy walls, *and* prosperity within thy palaces.
8 For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace *be* within thee.
9 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek thy good.

123

A Song of degrees.
1 Unto thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
2 Behold, as the eyes of servants *look* unto the hand of their masters, *and* as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes *wait* upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us.
3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.
4 Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, *and* with the contempt of the proud.

124

A Song of degrees of David.
1 If *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, now may Israel say;
2 If *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us:
3 Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us:
4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:
5 Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.

6 Blessed *be* the LORD, who hath not given us *as* a prey to their teeth.
7 Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.
8 Our help *is* in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

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* **120:3** What shall be given...: or, What shall the deceitful tongue give unto thee? or, what shall is profit thee? † **120:3** done: Heb. added ‡ **120:4** Sharp...: or, It is as the sharp arrows of the mighty man, with coals of juniper § **120:7** for peace: or, a man of peace * **121:1** I will...: or, Shall I lift up mine eyes to the hills? whence should my help come? * **122:5** are...: Heb. do sit

125

A Song of degrees.
1 They that trust in the LORD *shall be* as mount Zion, *which* cannot be removed, *but* abideth
for ever.
2 As the mountains *are* round about Jerusalem, so the LORD *is* round about his people from
henceforth even for ever.
3 For the rod of the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put
forth their hands unto iniquity.*

4 Do good, O LORD, unto *those that be* good, and *to them that are* upright in their hearts.
5 As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with
the workers of iniquity: *but* peace *shall be* upon Israel.

126

A Song of degrees.
1 When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.*
2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they
among the heathen, The LORD hath done great things for them.†
3 The LORD hath done great things for us; *whereof* we are glad.

4 Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.
5 They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.‡
6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with
rejoicing, bringing his sheaves *with him*.§

127

A Song of degrees for Solomon.
1 Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep
the city, the watchman waketh *but* in vain.*†
2 *It is* vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: *for* so he giveth
his beloved sleep.
3 Lo, children *are* an heritage of the LORD: *and* the fruit of the womb *is his* reward.
4 As arrows *are* in the hand of a mighty man; so *are* children of the youth.
5 Happy *is* the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they
shall speak with the enemies in the gate.‡§

128

A Song of degrees.
1 Blessed *is* every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways.
2 For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy *shalt* thou *be*, and *it shall be* well with
thee.
3 Thy wife *shall be* as a fruitful vine by the sides of thine house: thy children like olive plants
round about thy table.
4 Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the LORD.
5 The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the
days of thy life.
6 Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, *and* peace upon Israel.

129

A Song of degrees.
1 Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth, may Israel now say:*
2 Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth: yet they have not prevailed against
me.†
3 The plowers plowed upon my back: they made long their furrows.
4 The LORD *is* righteous: he hath cut asunder the cords of the wicked.

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* **125:3** the wicked: Heb. wickedness * **126:1** turned...: Heb. returned the returning † **126:2** hath...: Heb. hath magnified to do with them ‡ **126:5** joy: or, singing § **126:6** precious...: or, seed basket * **127:1** for...: or, of Solomon † **127:1** that...: Heb. that are builders of it in it ‡ **127:5** his...: Heb. filled his quiver with them § **127:5** speak...: or, subdue, or, destroy * **129:1** Many...: or, Much † **129:2** Many...: or, Much

5 Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion.
6 Let them be as the grass *upon* the housetops, which withereth afore it groweth up:
7 Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand; nor he that bindeth sheaves his bosom.
8 Neither do they which go by say, The blessing of the LORD *be* upon you: we bless you in the name of the LORD.

130

A Song of degrees.
1 Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD.
2 Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.
3 If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?
4 But *there is* forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.

5 I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.
6 My soul *waiteth* for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: *I say, more than* they that watch for the morning.*
7 Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD *there is* mercy, and with him *is* plenteous redemption.
8 And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

131

A Song of degrees of David.
1 LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: neither do I exercise myself in great matters, or in things too high for me.*†
2 Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soul *is* even as a weaned child.‡
3 Let Israel hope in the LORD from henceforth and for ever.§

132

A Song of degrees.
1 LORD, remember David, *and* all his afflictions:
2 How he sware unto the LORD, *and* vowed unto the mighty *God* of Jacob;
3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed;
4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, *or* slumber to mine eyelids,
5 Until I find out a place for the LORD, an habitation for the mighty *God* of Jacob.*
6 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah: we found it in the fields of the wood.
7 We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his footstool.
8 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength.
9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy.
10 For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed.

11 The LORD hath sworn *in* truth unto David; he will not turn from it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.†
12 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.
13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired *it* for his habitation.
14 This *is* my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.
15 I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.‡
16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.
17 There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed.§
18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

133

A Song of degrees of David.
1 Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell together in unity!*
2 *It is* like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, *even* Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;

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* **130:6** I say...: or, which watch unto * **131:1** exercise...: Heb. walk † **131:1** high: Heb. wonderful ‡ **131:2** myself: Heb. my soul § **131:3** henceforth: Heb. now * **132:5** an habitation: Heb. habitations † **132:11** body: Heb. belly ‡ **132:15** abundantly: or, surely § **132:17** lamp: or, candle * **133:1** together...: Heb. even together

3 As the dew of Hermon, *and as the dew* that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for
there the LORD commanded the blessing, *even* life for evermore.

134

A Song of degrees.
1 Behold, bless ye the LORD, all *ye* servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house
of the LORD.
2 Lift up your hands *in* the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.*
3 The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.

135

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD; praise *him*, O ye servants of the
LORD.
2 Ye that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God,
3 Praise the LORD; for the LORD *is* good: sing praises unto his name; for *it is* pleasant.
4 For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, *and* Israel for his peculiar treasure.

5 For I know that the LORD *is* great, and *that* our Lord *is* above all gods.
6 Whatsoever the LORD pleased, *that* did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all
deep places.
7 He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings for the
rain; he bringeth the wind out of his treasuries.
8 Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, both of man and beast.*
9 *Who* sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon
all his servants.
10 Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings;
11 Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan:
12 And gave their land *for* an heritage, an heritage unto Israel his people.
13 Thy name, O LORD, *endureth* for ever; *and* thy memorial, O LORD, throughout all
generations.†
14 For the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants.

15 The idols of the heathen *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.
16 They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not;
17 They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there *any* breath in their mouths.
18 They that make them are like unto them: *so is* every one that trusteth in them.
19 Bless the LORD, O house of Israel: bless the LORD, O house of Aaron:
20 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi: ye that fear the LORD, bless the LORD.
21 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

136

1 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
2 O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
3 O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
4 To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
5 To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
6 To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
7 To him that made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
8 The sun to rule by day: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:*
9 The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

10 To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
11 And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
12 With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
13 To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
14 And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
15 But overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.†
16 To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
17 To him which smote great kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

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* **134:2** the sanctuary: or, holiness * **135:8** both...: Heb. from man unto beast † **135:13** throughout...: Heb. to generation and generation * **136:8** to rule...: Heb. for the rulings by day † **136:15** overthrew: Heb. shaked off

18 And slew famous kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
19 Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
20 And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
21 And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
22 *Even* an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

23 Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:
24 And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.
26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

137

1 By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion.
2 We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.
3 For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song; and they that wasted us *required of us* mirth, *saying*, Sing us *one* of the songs of Zion.*†
4 How shall we sing the LORD's song in a strange land?‡
5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget *her cunning*.
6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.§

7 Remember, O LORD, the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem; who said, Rase *it*, rase *it, even* to the foundation thereof.**
8 O daughter of Babylon, who art to be destroyed; happy *shall he be*, that rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.††‡‡
9 Happy *shall he be*, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones.§§

138

A Psalm of David.
1 I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.
3 In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, *and* strengthenedst me *with* strength in my soul.
4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of thy mouth.
5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great *is* the glory of the LORD.

6 Though the LORD *be* high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.
7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.
8 The LORD will perfect *that which* concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, *endureth* for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.

139

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known *me*.
2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.
3 Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted *with* all my ways.*
4 For *there is* not a word in my tongue, *but*, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.
5 Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.
6 *Such* knowledge *is* too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot *attain* unto it.

7 Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou *art* there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou *art there*.
9 *If* I take the wings of the morning, *and* dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;

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* **137:3** a song: Heb. the words of a song † **137:3** wasted...: Heb. laid us on heaps ‡ **137:4** strange...: Heb. land of a stranger? § **137:6** my chief...: Heb. the head of my joy ** **137:7** Rase it: Heb. Make bare †† **137:8** destroyed: Heb. wasted ‡‡ **137:8** rewardeth...: Heb. recompenseth unto thee thy deed which thou didst to us §§ **137:9** the stones: Heb. the rock * **139:3** compassest: or, winnowest

10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.
11 If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.
12 Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness
and the light *are* both alike *to thee*.†‡
13 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made: marvellous *are* thy works;
and *that* my soul knoweth right well.§
15 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, *and* curiously wrought
in the lowest parts of the earth.**
16 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all *my members*
were written, *which* in continuance were fashioned, when *as yet there was* none of
them.††‡‡

17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them!
18 *If* I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still
with thee.
19 Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.
20 For they speak against thee wickedly, *and* thine enemies take *thy name* in vain.
21 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up
against thee?
22 I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.
23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:
24 And see if *there be any* wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.§§

140

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.
1 Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man;*
2 Which imagine mischiefs in *their* heart; continually are they gathered together *for* war.
3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison *is* under their lips.
Selah.
4 Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who
have purposed to overthrow my goings.
5 The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they
have set gins for me. Selah.
6 I said unto the LORD, Thou *art* my God: hear the voice of my supplications, O LORD.
7 O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of
battle.

8 Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device; *lest* they exalt
themselves. Selah.†
9 *As for* the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lips cover
them.
10 Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they
rise not up again.
11 Let not an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to
overthrow *him*.‡
12 I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, *and* the right of the poor.
13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy
presence.

141

A Psalm of David.
1 LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.
2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee *as* incense; *and* the lifting up of my hands *as* the
evening sacrifice.*

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† **139:12** hideth...: Heb. darkeneth not ‡ **139:12** the darkness and...: Heb. as is the darkness, so is the light § **139:14** right...: Heb. greatly ** **139:15** substance: or, strength, or, body †† **139:16** all...: Heb. all of them ‡‡ **139:16** which...: or, what days they should be fashioned §§ **139:24** wicked...: Heb. way of pain, or, grief * **140:1** violent...: Heb. man of violences † **140:8** lest...: or, let them not be exalted ‡ **140:11** an...: or, an evil speaker (Heb. a man of tongue), a wicked man of violence, be established in the earth: let him be hunted to his overthrow * **141:2** set...: Heb. directed

3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.
4 Incline not my heart to *any* evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.

5 Let the righteous smite me; *it shall be* a kindness: and let him reprove me; *it shall be* an excellent oil, *which* shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also *shall be* in their calamities.†
6 When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.
7 Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth *wood* upon the earth.
8 But mine eyes *are* unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute.‡
9 Keep me from the snares *which* they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity.
10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal escape.§

142

Maschil of David; A Prayer when he was in the cave.
1 I cried unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.*
2 I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble.
3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

4 I looked on *my* right hand, and beheld, but *there was* no man that would know me: refuge failed me; no man cared for my soul.†‡§
5 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my refuge *and* my portion in the land of the living.
6 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.
7 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me.

143

A Psalm of David.
1 Hear my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me, *and* in thy righteousness.
2 And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.
3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead.
4 Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate.
5 I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.
6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul *thirsteth* after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.

7 Hear me speedily, O LORD: my spirit faileth: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.*
8 Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.
9 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to hide me.†
10 Teach me to do thy will; for thou *art* my God: thy spirit *is* good; lead me into the land of uprightness.
11 Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake: for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

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† **141:5** me; it shall be a...: or, me kindly, and reprove me; let not their precious oil break, etc ‡ **141:8** leave...: Heb. make not my soul bare § **141:10** escape: Heb. pass over * **142:1** Maschil...: or, A Psalm of David, giving instruction † **142:4** I looked...: or, Look on the right hand, and see ‡ **142:4** failed...: Heb. perished from me § **142:4** cared...: Heb. sought after * **143:7** lest...: or, for I am become like, etc † **143:9** flee...: Heb. hide me with thee

12 And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I *am*
thy servant.

144

A Psalm of David.
1 Blessed *be* the LORD my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, *and* my fingers to
fight:*†
2 My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and *he* in
whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.‡
3 LORD, what *is* man, that thou takest knowledge of him! *or* the son of man, that thou
makest account of him!
4 Man is like to vanity: his days *are* as a shadow that passeth away.
5 Bow thy heavens, O LORD, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.
6 Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.
7 Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand
of strange children;§
8 Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood.

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings
will I sing praises unto thee.
10 *It is he* that giveth salvation unto kings: who delivereth David his servant from the
hurtful sword.**
11 Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity,
and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood:
12 That our sons *may be* as plants grown up in their youth; *that* our daughters *may be* as
corner stones, polished *after* the similitude of a palace:††
13 *That* our garners *may be* full, affording all manner of store: *that* our sheep may bring
forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets:‡‡
14 *That* our oxen *may be* strong to labour; *that there be* no breaking in, nor going out; that
there be no complaining in our streets.§§
15 Happy *is that* people, that is in such a case: *yea*, happy *is that* people, whose God *is* the
LORD.

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David's *Psalm* of praise.
1 I will extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever.
2 Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.
3 Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness *is* unsearchable.*
4 One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.
5 I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works.†
6 And *men* shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I will declare thy greatness.‡
7 They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness, and shall sing of thy
righteousness.
8 The LORD *is* gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.§
9 The LORD *is* good to all: and his tender mercies *are* over all his works.

10 All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.
11 They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;
12 To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his
kingdom.
13 Thy kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion *endureth* throughout all
generations.**
14 The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all *those that be* bowed down.
15 The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.††
16 Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

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* **144:1** strength: Heb. rock † **144:1** to war...: Heb. to the war, etc ‡ **144:2** My goodness: or, My mercy § **144:7** hand from: Heb. hands from ** **144:10** salvation: or, victory †† **144:12** polished: Heb. cut ‡‡ **144:13** all...: Heb. from kind to kind §§ **144:14** strong...: Heb. able to bear burdens, or, loaden with flesh * **145:3** and his...: Heb. and of his greatness there is no search † **145:5** works: Heb. things, or, words ‡ **145:6** declare: Heb. declare it § **145:8** of great...: Heb. great in mercy ** **145:13** an...: Heb. a kingdom of all ages †† **145:15** wait...: or, look unto

17 The LORD *is* righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.‡‡
18 The LORD *is* nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.
19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.
20 The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.
21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

146

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.*
2 While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.
3 Put not your trust in princes, *nor* in the son of man, in whom *there is* no help.†
4 His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.

5 Happy *is he* that *hath* the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope *is* in the LORD his God:
6 Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein *is:* which keepeth truth for ever:
7 Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The LORD looseth the prisoners:
8 The LORD openeth *the eyes of* the blind: the LORD raiseth them that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:
9 The LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.
10 The LORD shall reign for ever, *even* thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD.

147

1 Praise ye the LORD: for *it is* good to sing praises unto our God; for *it is* pleasant; *and* praise is comely.
2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.
3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.*
4 He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by *their* names.
5 Great *is* our Lord, and of great power: his understanding *is* infinite.†
6 The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.
7 Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:
8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.
9 He giveth to the beast his food, *and* to the young ravens which cry.
10 He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.
11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.

12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.
13 For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee.
14 He maketh peace *in* thy borders, *and* filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.‡§
15 He sendeth forth his commandment *upon* earth: his word runneth very swiftly.
16 He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.
17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?
18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, *and* the waters flow.
19 He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.**
20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: and *as for his* judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

148

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.*
2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.
3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.
4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that *be* above the heavens.

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‡‡ **145:17** holy: or, merciful, or, bountiful * **146:1** Praise ye...: Heb. Hallelujah † **146:3** help: or, salvation * **147:3** wounds: Heb. griefs † **147:5** his...: Heb. of his understanding there is no number ‡ **147:14** He...: Heb. Who maketh thy border peace § **147:14** finest...: Heb. fat of wheat ** **147:19** his word: Heb. his words * **148:1** Praise ye the LORD. Praise: Heb. Hallelujah, etc

5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.
6 He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

7 Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:
8 Fire, and hail; snow, and vapour; stormy wind fulfilling his word:
9 Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:
10 Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and flying fowl:†
11 Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth:
12 Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:
13 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory *is* above the earth and heaven.‡
14 He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; *even* of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD.

149

1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise in the congregation of saints.*
2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.†
3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.‡
4 For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.
5 Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

6 *Let* the high *praises* of God *be* in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand;§
7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, *and* punishments upon the people;
8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;
9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

150

1 Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.*
2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
3 Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.†
4 Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.‡
5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

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† **148:10** flying...: Heb. birds of wing ‡ **148:13** excellent: Heb. exalted * **149:1** Praise...: Heb. Hallelujah † **149:2** in him...: Heb. in his Makers ‡ **149:3** in...: or, with the pipe § **149:6** mouth: Heb. throat * **150:1** Praise ye...: Heb. Hallelujah † **150:3** trumpet: or, cornet ‡ **150:4** dance: or, pipe

The Proverbs

1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;
2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;
3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;*
4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.†
5 A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:
6 To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.‡
7 ¶ The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.§
8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
9 For they *shall be* an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.**
10 ¶ My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.
11 If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:
12 Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:
13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:
14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:
15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:
16 For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.
17 Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird.††
18 And they lay wait for their *own* blood; they lurk privily for their *own* lives.
19 So *are* the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; *which* taketh away the life of the owners thereof.
20 ¶ Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:‡‡
21 She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*,
22 How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?
23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.
24 ¶ Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;
25 But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:
26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;
27 When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.
28 Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:
29 For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:
30 They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.
31 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.
32 For the turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.§§
33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

2

1 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;
2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, *and* apply thine heart to understanding;
3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, *and* liftest up thy voice for understanding;*

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* **1:3** equity: Heb. equities † **1:4** discretion: or, advisement ‡ **1:6** the interpretation: or, an eloquent speech § **1:7** the beginning: or, the principal part ** **1:9** an...: Heb. an adding †† **1:17** in the...: Heb. in the eyes of every thing that hath a wing ‡‡ **1:20** Wisdom: Heb. Wisdoms, that is, Excellent wisdom §§ **1:32** turning...: or, ease of the simple * **2:3** liftest...: Heb. givest thy voice

4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as *for* hid treasures;
5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.
6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth *cometh* knowledge and understanding.
7 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: *he is* a buckler to them that walk uprightly.
8 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.
9 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; *yea*, every good path.
10 ¶ When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;
11 Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:
12 To deliver thee from the way of the evil *man*, from the man that speaketh froward things;
13 Who leave the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness;
14 Who rejoice to do evil, *and* delight in the frowardness of the wicked;
15 Whose ways *are* crooked, and *they* froward in their paths:
16 To deliver thee from the strange woman, *even* from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words;
17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her God.
18 For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead.
19 None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the paths of life.
20 That thou mayest walk in the way of good *men*, and keep the paths of the righteous.
21 For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.
22 But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be rooted out of it.†

3

1 My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:
2 For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.*
3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:
4 So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.†
5 ¶ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
7 ¶ Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.
8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.‡§
9 Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:
10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.
11 ¶ My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:
12 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth.
13 ¶ Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and the man *that* getteth understanding.**
14 For the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.
15 She *is* more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.
16 Length of days *is* in her right hand; *and* in her left hand riches and honour.
17 Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.
18 She *is* a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy *is every one* that retaineth her.
19 The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.††
20 By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.
21 ¶ My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:
22 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.
23 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.
24 When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.
25 Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

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† **2:22** rooted: or, plucked up * **3:2** long...: Heb. years of life † **3:4** good...: or, good success ‡ **3:8** health: Heb. medicine § **3:8** marrow: Heb. watering, or, moistening ** **3:13** that getteth...: Heb. that draweth out understanding †† **3:19** established: or, prepared

26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.
27 ¶ Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do *it*.‡‡
28 Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.
29 Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.§§
30 ¶ Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm.
31 ¶ Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.***
32 For the froward *is* abomination to the LORD: but his secret *is* with the righteous.
33 ¶ The curse of the LORD *is* in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.
34 Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly.
35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools.†††

4

1 Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding.
2 For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.
3 For I was my father's son, tender and only *beloved* in the sight of my mother.
4 He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.
5 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget *it* not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.
6 Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee.
7 Wisdom *is* the principal thing; *therefore* get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.
8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.
9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.*
10 Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life shall be many.
11 I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right paths.
12 When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble.
13 Take fast hold of instruction; let *her* not go: keep her; for she *is* thy life.
14 ¶ Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil *men*.
15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.
16 For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause *some* to fall.
17 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.
18 But the path of the just *is* as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.
19 The way of the wicked *is* as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.
20 ¶ My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.
21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.
22 For they *are* life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh.†
23 ¶ Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life.‡
24 Put away from thee a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.§
25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.
26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.**
27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.

5

1 My son, attend unto my wisdom, *and* bow thine ear to my understanding:
2 That thou mayest regard discretion, and *that* thy lips may keep knowledge.

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‡‡ **3:27** them...: Heb. the owners thereof §§ **3:29** Devise...: or, Practise no evil *** **3:31** the oppressor: Heb. a man of violence ††† **3:35** shall be...: Heb. exalteth the fools * **4:9** a crown...: or, she shall compass thee with a crown of glory † **4:22** health: Heb. medicine ‡ **4:23** with...: Heb. above all keeping § **4:24** a froward...: Heb. frowardness of mouth and perverseness of lips ** **4:26** let...: or, all thy ways shall be ordered aright

3 ¶ For the lips of a strange woman drop *as* an honeycomb, and her mouth *is* smoother than oil:*
4 But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.
5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.
6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, *that* thou canst not know *them*.
7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.
8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:
9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel:
10 Lest strangers be filled with thy wealth; and thy labours *be* in the house of a stranger;†
11 And thou mourn at the last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed,
12 And say, How have I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof;
13 And have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me!
14 I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.
15 ¶ Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own well.
16 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, *and* rivers of waters in the streets.
17 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.
18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.
19 *Let her be as* the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.‡§
20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger?
21 For the ways of man *are* before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.
22 ¶ His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.**
23 He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

6

1 My son, if thou be surety for thy friend, *if* thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger,
2 Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.
3 Do this now, my son, and deliver thyself, when thou art come into the hand of thy friend; go, humble thyself, and make sure thy friend.*
4 Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids.
5 Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand *of the hunter*, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler.
6 ¶ Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise:
7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,
8 Provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest.
9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?
10 *Yet* a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:
11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.
12 ¶ A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth.
13 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth with his fingers;
14 Frowardness *is* in his heart, he deviseth mischief continually; he soweth discord.†
15 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy.
16 ¶ These six *things* doth the LORD hate: yea, seven *are* an abomination unto him:‡
17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,§
18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,
19 A false witness *that* speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.
20 ¶ My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother:
21 Bind them continually upon thine heart, *and* tie them about thy neck.
22 When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and *when* thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.

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* **5:3** mouth: Heb. palate † **5:10** thy wealth: Heb. thy strength ‡ **5:19** satisfy...: Heb. water thee § **5:19** be thou...: Heb. err thou always in her love ** **5:22** sins: Heb. sin * **6:3** and make...: or, so shalt thou prevail with thy friend † **6:14** soweth: Heb. casteth forth ‡ **6:16** unto...: Heb. of his soul § **6:17** A proud...: Heb. Haughty eyes

23 For the commandment *is* a lamp; and the law *is* light; and reproofs of instruction *are*
the way of life:**
24 To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman.††
25 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.
26 For by means of a whorish woman *a man is brought* to a piece of bread: and the
adulteress will hunt for the precious life.‡‡
27 Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?
28 Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned?
29 So he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her shall not be
innocent.
30 *Men* do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;
31 But *if* he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his
house.
32 *But* whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh understanding: he *that* doeth
it destroyeth his own soul.§§
33 A wound and dishonour shall he get; and his reproach shall not be wiped away.
34 For jealousy *is* the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.
35 He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest many
gifts.***

7

1 My son, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.
2 Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.
3 Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.
4 Say unto wisdom, Thou *art* my sister; and call understanding *thy* kinswoman:
5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger *which* flattereth
with her words.
6 ¶ For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,
7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths, a young man void
of understanding,*
8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,
9 In the twilight, in the evening, in the black and dark night:†
10 And, behold, there met him a woman *with* the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.
11 (She *is* loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:
12 Now *is she* without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)
13 So she caught him, and kissed him, *and* with an impudent face said unto him,‡
14 *I have* peace offerings with me; this day have I payed my vows.§
15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.
16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved *works*, with fine linen of
Egypt.
17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.
18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves.
19 For the goodman *is* not at home, he is gone a long journey:
20 He hath taken a bag of money with him, *and* will come home at the day appointed.**††
21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she
forced him.
22 He goeth after her straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the
correction of the stocks;‡‡
23 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that
it *is* for his life.
24 ¶ Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.
25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.
26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong *men* have been slain by her.
27 Her house *is* the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.

** **6:23** lamp: or, candle †† **6:24** of the...: or, of the strange tongue ‡‡ **6:26** the adulteress: Heb. the woman of a man, or, a man's wife §§ **6:32** understanding: Heb. heart *** **6:35** He will...: Heb. He will not accept the face of any ransom * **7:7** the youths: Heb. the sons † **7:9** in the evening: Heb. in the evening of days ‡ **7:13** with...: Heb. she strengthened her face and said § **7:14** I have...: Heb. Peace offerings are upon me ** **7:20** with...: Heb. in his hand †† **7:20** the day...: or, the new moon ‡‡ **7:22** straightway: Heb. suddenly

8

1 Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?
2 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.
3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.
4 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice *is* to the sons of man.
5 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.
6 Hear; for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my lips *shall be* right things.
7 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness *is* an abomination to my lips.*
8 All the words of my mouth *are* in righteousness; *there is* nothing froward or perverse in them.†
9 They *are* all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.
10 Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.
11 For wisdom *is* better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.
12 I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.‡
13 The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.
14 Counsel *is* mine, and sound wisdom: I *am* understanding; I have strength.
15 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.
16 By me princes rule, and nobles, *even* all the judges of the earth.
17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.
18 Riches and honour *are* with me; *yea*, durable riches and righteousness.
19 My fruit *is* better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.
20 I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:§
21 That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.
22 The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.
23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.
24 When *there were* no depths, I was brought forth; when *there were* no fountains abounding with water.
25 Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:
26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.**††
27 When he prepared the heavens, I *was* there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:‡‡
28 When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:
29 When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth:
30 Then I was by him, *as* one brought up *with him:* and I was daily *his* delight, rejoicing always before him;
31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights *were* with the sons of men.
32 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed *are they that* keep my ways.
33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.
34 Blessed *is* the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.
35 For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the LORD.§§
36 But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.

9

1 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:
2 She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table.*
3 She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city,
4 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,
5 Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine *which* I have mingled.
6 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

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* **8:7** an...: Heb. the abomination of my lips † **8:8** froward: Heb. wreathed ‡ **8:12** prudence: or, subtilty § **8:20** lead: or, walk ** **8:26** fields: or, open places †† **8:26** the highest...: or, the chief part ‡‡ **8:27** a compass: or, a circle §§ **8:35** obtain: Heb. bring forth * **9:2** her beasts: Heb. her killing

7 He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked
man getteth himself a blot.
8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.
9 Give *instruction* to a wise *man*, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just *man*, and he will
increase in learning.
10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy *is*
understanding.
11 For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased.
12 If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but *if* thou scornest, thou alone shalt
bear *it*.
13 ¶ A foolish woman *is* clamorous: *she is* simple, and knoweth nothing.
14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city,
15 To call passengers who go right on their ways:
16 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: and *as for* him that wanteth understanding,
she saith to him,
17 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread *eaten* in secret is pleasant.†
18 But he knoweth not that the dead *are* there; *and that* her guests *are* in the depths of
hell.

10

1 The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son *is* the
heaviness of his mother.
2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death.
3 The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away the
substance of the wicked.*
4 He becometh poor that dealeth *with* a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh
rich.
5 He that gathereth in summer *is* a wise son: *but* he that sleepeth in harvest *is* a son that
causeth shame.
6 Blessings *are* upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.
7 The memory of the just *is* blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.
8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but a prating fool shall fall.†‡
9 He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be
known.
10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.§
11 The mouth of a righteous *man is* a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the
wicked.
12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.
13 In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found: but a rod *is* for the back
of him that is void of understanding.**
14 Wise *men* lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish *is* near destruction.
15 The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city: the destruction of the poor *is* their poverty.
16 The labour of the righteous *tendeth* to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.
17 He *is in* the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof erreth.††
18 He that hideth hatred *with* lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, *is* a fool.
19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips *is* wise.
20 The tongue of the just *is as* choice silver: the heart of the wicked *is* little worth.
21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom.‡‡
22 The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.
23 *It is* as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.
24 The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be
granted.
25 As the whirlwind passeth, so *is* the wicked no *more:* but the righteous *is* an everlasting
foundation.
26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so *is* the sluggard to them that send
him.

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† **9:17** eaten...: Heb. of secrecies * **10:3** the substance...: or, the wicked for their wickedness † **10:8** a prating...: Heb. a fool of lips ‡ **10:8** fall: Heb. be beaten § **10:10** fall: Heb. be beaten ** **10:13** of understanding: Heb. of heart †† **10:17** erreth: or, causeth to err ‡‡ **10:21** of wisdom: Heb. of heart

27 The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be short-
ened.§§
28 The hope of the righteous *shall be* gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall
perish.
29 The way of the LORD *is* strength to the upright: but destruction *shall be* to the workers
of iniquity.
30 The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.
31 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.
32 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked
speaketh frowardness.***

11

1 A false balance *is* abomination to the LORD: but a just weight *is* his delight.*†
2 *When* pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly *is* wisdom.
3 The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors
shall destroy them.
4 Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death.
5 The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his
own wickedness.‡
6 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but transgressors shall be taken in
their own naughtiness.
7 When a wicked man dieth, *his* expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust *men*
perisheth.
8 The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh in his stead.
9 An hypocrite with *his* mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall
the just be delivered.
10 When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and when the wicked perish,
there is shouting.
11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of
the wicked.
12 He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding
holdeth his peace.§
13 A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.**
14 Where no counsel *is*, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.
15 He that is surety for a stranger shall smart *for it:* and he that hateth suretiship is
sure.††‡‡
16 A gracious woman retaineth honour: and strong *men* retain riches.
17 The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but *he that is* cruel troubleth his own
flesh.
18 The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth righteousness *shall be* a
sure reward.
19 As righteousness *tendeth* to life: so he that pursueth evil *pursueth it* to his own death.
20 They that are of a froward heart *are* abomination to the LORD: but *such as are* upright
in *their* way *are* his delight.
21 *Though* hand *join* in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the
righteous shall be delivered.
22 *As* a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, *so is* a fair woman which is without discretion.§§
23 The desire of the righteous *is* only good: *but* the expectation of the wicked *is* wrath.
24 There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and *there is* that withholdeth more than is
meet, but *it tendeth* to poverty.
25 The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also
himself.***
26 He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing *shall be* upon the
head of him that selleth *it*.

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§§ **10:27** prolongeth: Heb. addeth *** **10:32** frowardness: Heb. frowardnesses * **11:1** A false...: Heb. Balances of deceit † **11:1** just...: Heb. perfect stone ‡ **11:5** direct: Heb. rectify § **11:12** void...: Heb. destitute of heart ** **11:13** A talebearer: Heb. He that walketh, being a talebearer †† **11:15** smart: Heb. be sore broken ‡‡ **11:15** suretiship: Heb. those that strike hands §§ **11:22** is without: Heb. departeth from *** **11:25** liberal...: Heb. soul of blessing

27 He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: but he that seeketh mischief, it shall
come unto him.
28 He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch.
29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool *shall be* servant to
the wise of heart.
30 The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life; and he that winneth souls *is* wise.[†††]
31 Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and
the sinner.

12

1 Whoso loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof *is* brutish.
2 A good *man* obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he
condemn.
3 A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be
moved.
4 A virtuous woman *is* a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed *is* as
rottenness in his bones.
5 The thoughts of the righteous *are* right: *but* the counsels of the wicked *are* deceit.
6 The words of the wicked *are* to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall
deliver them.
7 The wicked are overthrown, and *are* not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.
8 A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is of a perverse heart
shall be despised.[*]
9 *He that is* despised, and hath a servant, *is* better than he that honoureth himself, and
lacketh bread.
10 A righteous *man* regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked
are cruel.[†]
11 He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain *persons*
is void of understanding.
12 The wicked desireth the net of evil *men:* but the root of the righteous yieldeth *fruit*.[‡]
13 The wicked is snared by the transgression of *his* lips: but the just shall come out of
trouble.[§]
14 A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of *his* mouth: and the recompence of a
man's hands shall be rendered unto him.
15 The way of a fool *is* right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel *is* wise.
16 A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent *man* covereth shame.[**]
17 *He that* speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.
18 There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise *is* health.
19 The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue *is* but for a moment.
20 Deceit *is* in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace *is* joy.
21 There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.
22 Lying lips *are* abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly *are* his delight.
23 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.
24 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute.[††]
25 Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.
26 The righteous *is* more excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked
seduceth them.[‡‡]
27 The slothful *man* roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a
diligent man *is* precious.
28 In the way of righteousness *is* life; and *in* the pathway *thereof there is* no death.

13

1 A wise son *heareth* his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.
2 A man shall eat good by the fruit of *his* mouth: but the soul of the transgressors *shall*
eat violence.
3 He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: *but* he that openeth wide his lips shall have
destruction.

[†††] **11:30** winneth: Heb. taketh [*] **12:8** of a...: Heb. perverse of heart [†] **12:10** tender...: or, bowels [‡] **12:12** the net: or, the fortress [§] **12:13** The wicked...: Heb. The snare of the wicked is in the transgression of lips [**] **12:16** presently: Heb. in that day [††] **12:24** slothful: or, deceitful [‡‡] **12:26** excellent: or, abundant

4 The soul of the sluggard desireth, and *hath* nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be
made fat.
5 A righteous *man* hateth lying: but a wicked *man* is loathsome, and cometh to shame.
6 Righteousness keepeth *him that is* upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth
the sinner.*
7 There is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor,
yet *hath* great riches.
8 The ransom of a man's life *are* his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.
9 The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.†
10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised *is* wisdom.
11 Wealth *gotten* by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall
increase.‡
12 Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but *when* the desire cometh, *it is* a tree of life.
13 Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment
shall be rewarded.§
14 The law of the wise *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
15 Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors *is* hard.
16 Every prudent *man* dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open *his* folly.**
17 A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful ambassador *is* health.††
18 Poverty and shame *shall be to* him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth
reproof shall be honoured.
19 The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but *it is* abomination to fools to depart
from evil.
20 He that walketh with wise *men* shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be
destroyed.‡‡
21 Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.
22 A good *man* leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the
sinner *is* laid up for the just.
23 Much food *is in* the tillage of the poor: but there is *that is* destroyed for want of
judgment.
24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.
25 The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.

14

1 Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.
2 He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: but *he that is* perverse in his ways
despiseth him.
3 In the mouth of the foolish *is* a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.
4 Where no oxen *are*, the crib *is* clean: but much increase *is* by the strength of the ox.
5 A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.
6 A scorner seeketh wisdom, and *findeth it* not: but knowledge *is* easy unto him that
understandeth.
7 Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not *in him* the lips of
knowledge.
8 The wisdom of the prudent *is* to understand his way: but the folly of fools *is* deceit.
9 Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous *there is* favour.
10 The heart knoweth his own bitterness; and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his
joy.*
11 The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall
flourish.
12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of
death.
13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth *is* heaviness.
14 The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man *shall be
satisfied* from himself.
15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent *man* looketh well to his going.
16 A wise *man* feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.

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* **13:6** the sinner: Heb. sin † **13:9** lamp: or, candle ‡ **13:11** by labour: Heb. with the hand § **13:13** shall be rewarded: or, shall be in peace ** **13:16** layeth...: Heb. spreadeth †† **13:17** a faithful...: Heb. an ambassador of faithfulness ‡‡ **13:20** destroyed: Heb. broken * **14:10** his own...: Heb. the bitterness of his soul

17 *He that is* soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.
18 The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.
19 The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.
20 The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but the rich *hath* many friends.†
21 He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy *is* he.
22 Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth *shall be* to them that devise good.
23 In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips *tendeth* only to penury.
24 The crown of the wise *is* their riches: *but* the foolishness of fools *is* folly.
25 A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful *witness* speaketh lies.
26 In the fear of the LORD *is* strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.
27 The fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.
28 In the multitude of people *is* the king's honour: but in the want of people *is* the destruction of the prince.
29 *He that is* slow to wrath *is* of great understanding: but *he that is* hasty of spirit exalteth folly.‡
30 A sound heart *is* the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.
31 He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.
32 The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.
33 Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but *that which is* in the midst of fools is made known.
34 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin *is* a reproach to any people.§
35 The king's favour *is* toward a wise servant: but his wrath is *against* him that causeth shame.

15

1 A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.
2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.*
3 The eyes of the LORD *are* in every place, beholding the evil and the good.
4 A wholesome tongue *is* a tree of life: but perverseness therein *is* a breach in the spirit.†
5 A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent.
6 In the house of the righteous *is* much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is trouble.
7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish *doeth* not so.
8 The sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight.
9 The way of the wicked *is* an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.
10 Correction *is* grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: *and* he that hateth reproof shall die.‡
11 Hell and destruction *are* before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?
12 A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.
13 A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.
14 The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.
15 All the days of the afflicted *are* evil: but he that is of a merry heart *hath* a continual feast.
16 Better *is* little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.
17 Better *is* a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.
18 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but *he that is* slow to anger appeaseth strife.
19 The way of the slothful *man is* as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous *is* made plain.§
20 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.

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† **14:20** the rich...: Heb. many are the lovers of the rich ‡ **14:29** hasty...: Heb. short of spirit § **14:34** to any...: Heb. to nations * **15:2** poureth: Heb. belcheth, or, bubbleth † **15:4** A wholesome...: Heb. The healing of the tongue ‡ **15:10** Correction: or, Instruction § **15:19** is made...: Heb. is raised up as a causey

21 Folly *is* joy to *him that is* destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh
uprightly.**
22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they
are established.
23 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word *spoken* in due season, how
good *is it*!††
24 The way of life *is* above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.
25 The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the
widow.
26 The thoughts of the wicked *are* an abomination to the LORD: but *the words* of the pure
are pleasant words.‡‡
27 He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live.
28 The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth
out evil things.
29 The LORD *is* far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.
30 The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: *and* a good report maketh the bones fat.
31 The ear that heareth the reproof of life abideth among the wise.
32 He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that heareth reproof
getteth understanding.§§***†††
33 The fear of the LORD *is* the instruction of wisdom; and before honour *is* humility.

16

1 The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, *is* from the LORD.*
2 All the ways of a man *are* clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits.
3 Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established.†
4 The LORD hath made all *things* for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.
5 Every one *that is* proud in heart *is* an abomination to the LORD: *though* hand *join* in
hand, he shall not be unpunished.‡
6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD *men* depart from
evil.
7 When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with
him.
8 Better *is* a little with righteousness than great revenues without right.
9 A man's heart deviseth his way: but the LORD directeth his steps.
10 A divine sentence *is* in the lips of the king: his mouth transgresseth not in judgment.§
11 A just weight and balance *are* the LORD's: all the weights of the bag *are* his work.**
12 *It is* an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by
righteousness.
13 Righteous lips *are* the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right.
14 The wrath of a king *is as* messengers of death: but a wise man will pacify it.
15 In the light of the king's countenance *is* life; and his favour *is* as a cloud of the latter
rain.
16 How much better *is it* to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be
chosen than silver!
17 The highway of the upright *is* to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth
his soul.
18 Pride *goeth* before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.
19 Better *it is to be* of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the
proud.
20 He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD,
happy *is* he.††
21 The wise in heart shall be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth
learning.
22 Understanding *is* a wellspring of life unto him that hath it: but the instruction of fools
is folly.

** **15:21** destitute...: Heb. void of heart †† **15:23** due...: Heb. his season ‡‡ **15:26** pleasant...: Heb. words of pleasantness §§ **15:32** instruction: or, correction *** **15:32** heareth: or, obeyeth ††† **15:32** getteth...: Heb. possesseth an heart * **16:1** preparations: or, disposings † **16:3** Commit: Heb. Roll ‡ **16:5** unpunished: Heb. held innocent § **16:10** A divine...: Heb. Divination ** **16:11** the weights: Heb. the stones †† **16:20** handleth...: or, understandeth a matter

23 The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips.‡‡
24 Pleasant words *are as* an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.
25 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.
26 He that laboureth laboureth for himself; for his mouth craveth it of him.§§***
27 An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips *there is* as a burning fire.†††
28 A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.‡‡‡
29 A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way *that is* not good.
30 He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.
31 The hoary head *is* a crown of glory, *if* it be found in the way of righteousness.
32 *He that is* slow to anger *is* better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city.
33 The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof *is* of the LORD.

17

1 Better *is* a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices *with* strife.*
2 A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.
3 The fining pot *is* for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the LORD trieth the hearts.
4 A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; *and* a liar giveth ear to a naughty tongue.
5 Whoso mocketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: *and* he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished.†
6 Children's children *are* the crown of old men; and the glory of children *are* their fathers.
7 Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lying lips a prince.‡§
8 A gift *is as* a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth.**
9 He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth *very* friends.††
10 A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool.‡‡
11 An evil *man* seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.
12 Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.
13 Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.
14 The beginning of strife *is as* when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.
15 He that justifieth the wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both *are* abomination to the LORD.
16 Wherefore *is there* a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing *he hath* no heart *to it*?
17 A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.
18 A man void of understanding striketh hands, *and* becometh surety in the presence of his friend.§§
19 He loveth transgression that loveth strife: *and* he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.
20 He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and he that hath a perverse tongue falleth into mischief.***
21 He that begetteth a fool *doeth it* to his sorrow: and the father of a fool hath no joy.
22 A merry heart doeth good *like* a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.†††
23 A wicked *man* taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.
24 Wisdom *is* before him that hath understanding; but the eyes of a fool *are* in the ends of the earth.
25 A foolish son *is* a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.
26 Also to punish the just *is* not good, *nor* to strike princes for equity.

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‡‡ **16:23** teacheth: Heb. maketh wise §§ **16:26** He...: Heb. The soul of him that *** **16:26** craveth...: Heb. boweth unto him ††† **16:27** An...: Heb. A man of Belial ‡‡‡ **16:28** soweth: Heb. sendeth forth * **17:1** sacrifices: or, good cheer † **17:5** unpunished: Heb. held innocent ‡ **17:7** Excellent...: Heb. A lip of excellency § **17:7** lying...: Heb. a lip of lying ** **17:8** a precious...: Heb. a stone of grace †† **17:9** seeketh: or, procureth ‡‡ **17:10** entereth...: or, aweth more a wise man, than to strike a fool an hundred times §§ **17:18** understanding: Heb. heart *** **17:20** He that hath a froward...: Heb. The froward of heart ††† **17:22** like: or, to

27 He that hath knowledge spareth his words: *and* a man of understanding is of an
excellent spirit.‡‡‡
28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: *and* he that shutteth his lips
is esteemed a man of understanding.

18

1 Through desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh *and* intermeddleth with all
wisdom.*
2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.
3 When the wicked cometh, *then* cometh also contempt, and with ignominy reproach.
4 The words of a man's mouth *are as* deep waters, *and* the wellspring of wisdom *as* a
flowing brook.
5 *It is* not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.
6 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.
7 A fool's mouth *is* his destruction, and his lips *are* the snare of his soul.
8 The words of a talebearer *are* as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of
the belly.†‡§
9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.
10 The name of the LORD *is* a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.**
11 The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit.
12 Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour *is* humility.
13 He that answereth a matter before he heareth *it*, it *is* folly and shame unto him.††
14 The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?
15 The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowl-
edge.
16 A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.
17 *He that is* first in his own cause *seemeth* just; but his neighbour cometh and searcheth
him.
18 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.
19 A brother offended *is harder to be won* than a strong city: and *their* contentions *are* like
the bars of a castle.
20 A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; *and* with the increase of his
lips shall he be filled.
21 Death and life *are* in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit
thereof.
22 *Whoso* findeth a wife findeth a good *thing*, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.
23 The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth roughly.
24 A man *that hath* friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend *that* sticketh
closer than a brother.

19

1 Better *is* the poor that walketh in his integrity, than *he that is* perverse in his lips, and is
a fool.
2 Also, *that* the soul *be* without knowledge, *it is* not good; and he that hasteth with *his* feet
sinneth.
3 The foolishness of man perverteth his way: and his heart fretteth against the LORD.
4 Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.
5 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and *he that* speaketh lies shall not escape.*
6 Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man *is* a friend to him that giveth
gifts.†
7 All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from
him? he pursueth *them with* words, *yet* they *are* wanting *to him*.
8 He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find
good.‡
9 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and *he that* speaketh lies shall perish.
10 Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.

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‡‡‡ **17:27** an...: or, a cool * **18:1** Through...: or, He that separateth himself seeketh according to his desire, and intermeddleth in every business † **18:8** talebearer: or, whisperer ‡ **18:8** as wounds: or, like as when men are wounded § **18:8** innermost...: Heb. chambers ** **18:10** safe: Heb. set aloft †† **18:13** answereth...: Heb. returneth a word * **19:5** unpunished: Heb. held innocent † **19:6** him...: Heb. a man of gifts ‡ **19:8** wisdom: Heb. an heart

11 The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and *it is* his glory to pass over a
transgression.§
12 The king's wrath *is* as the roaring of a lion; but his favour *is* as dew upon the grass.
13 A foolish son *is* the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife *are* a continual
dropping.
14 House and riches *are* the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife *is* from the LORD.
15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.
16 He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; *but* he that despiseth his
ways shall die.
17 He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given
will he pay him again.**
18 Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying.††
19 A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliver *him*, yet thou must
do it again.‡‡
20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.
21 *There are* many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that
shall stand.
22 The desire of a man *is* his kindness: and a poor man *is* better than a liar.
23 The fear of the LORD *tendeth* to life: and *he that hath it* shall abide satisfied; he shall
not be visited with evil.
24 A slothful *man* hideth his hand in *his* bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his
mouth again.
25 Smite a scorner, and the simple will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding,
and he will understand knowledge.§§
26 He that wasteth *his* father, *and* chaseth away *his* mother, *is* a son that causeth shame,
and bringeth reproach.
27 Cease, my son, to hear the instruction *that causeth* to err from the words of knowledge.
28 An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth
iniquity.***
29 Judgments are prepared for scorners, and stripes for the back of fools.

20

1 Wine *is* a mocker, strong drink *is* raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.
2 The fear of a king *is* as the roaring of a lion: *whoso* provoketh him to anger sinneth
against his own soul.
3 *It is* an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.
4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the cold; *therefore* shall he beg in harvest, and
have nothing.*
5 Counsel in the heart of man *is like* deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it
out.
6 Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?†
7 The just *man* walketh in his integrity: his children *are* blessed after him.
8 A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.
9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?
10 Divers weights, *and* divers measures, both of them *are* alike abomination to the
LORD.‡§
11 Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work *be* pure, and whether *it be* right.
12 The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them.
13 Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, *and* thou shalt be satisfied
with bread.
14 *It is* naught, *it is* naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.
15 There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge *are* a precious jewel.
16 Take his garment that is surety *for* a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange
woman.

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§ **19:11** discretion: or, prudence ** **19:17** that which...: or, his deed †† **19:18** for...: or, to his destruction: or, to cause him to die ‡‡ **19:19** do: Heb. add §§ **19:25** will beware: Heb. will be cunning *** **19:28** An...: Heb. A witness of Belial * **20:4** cold: or, winter † **20:6** goodness: or, bounty ‡ **20:10** Divers weights: Heb. A stone and a stone § **20:10** divers measures: Heb. an ephah and an ephah

17 Bread of deceit *is* sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with
gravel.**
18 *Every* purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.
19 He that goeth about *as* a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him
that flattereth with his lips.††
20 Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.‡‡
21 An inheritance *may be* gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be
blessed.
22 Say not thou, I will recompense evil; *but* wait on the LORD, and he shall save thee.
23 Divers weights *are* an abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance *is* not good.§§
24 Man's goings *are* of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?
25 *It is* a snare to the man *who* devoureth *that which is* holy, and after vows to make
enquiry.
26 A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.
27 The spirit of man *is* the candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the
belly.***
28 Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.
29 The glory of young men *is* their strength: and the beauty of old men *is* the gray head.
30 The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so *do* stripes the inward parts of the
belly.†††

21

1 The king's heart *is* in the hand of the LORD, *as* the rivers of water: he turneth it
whithersoever he will.
2 Every way of a man *is* right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.
3 To do justice and judgment *is* more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.
4 An high look, and a proud heart, *and* the plowing of the wicked, *is* sin.*†
5 The thoughts of the diligent *tend* only to plenteousness; but of every one *that is* hasty
only to want.
6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue *is* a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek
death.
7 The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.‡
8 The way of man *is* froward and strange: but *as for* the pure, his work *is* right.
9 *It is* better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide
house.§**
10 The soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour findeth no favour in his eyes.††
11 When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is
instructed, he receiveth knowledge.
12 The righteous *man* wisely considereth the house of the wicked: *but God* overthroweth
the wicked for *their* wickedness.
13 Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not
be heard.
14 A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.
15 *It is* joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.
16 The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the
congregation of the dead.
17 He that loveth pleasure *shall be* a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be
rich.‡‡
18 The wicked *shall be* a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.
19 *It is* better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.§§
20 *There is* treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man
spendeth it up.
21 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and
honour.

** **20:17** deceit: Heb. lying, or, falsehood †† **20:19** flattereth: or, enticeth ‡‡ **20:20** lamp: or, candle §§ **20:23** a false...: Heb. balance of deceit *** **20:27** candle: or, lamp ††† **20:30** cleanseth...: Heb. is a purging medicine against * **21:4** An...: Heb. Haughtiness of eyes † **21:4** the plowing: or, the light ‡ **21:7** destroy...: Heb. saw them, or, dwell with them § **21:9** a brawling...: Heb. a woman of contentions ** **21:9** a wide...: Heb. an house of society †† **21:10** findeth...: Heb. is not favoured ‡‡ **21:17** pleasure: or, sport §§ **21:19** in...: Heb. in the land of the desert

22 A wise *man* scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the
confidence thereof.
23 Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.
24 Proud *and* haughty scorner *is* his name, who dealeth in proud wrath.***
25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.
26 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.
27 The sacrifice of the wicked *is* abomination: how much more, *when* he bringeth it with
a wicked mind?†††
28 A false witness shall perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.‡‡‡
29 A wicked man hardeneth his face: but *as for* the upright, he directeth his way.§§§
30 *There is* no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.
31 The horse *is* prepared against the day of battle: but safety *is* of the LORD.*

22

1 A *good* name *is* rather to be chosen than great riches, *and* loving favour rather than
silver and gold.*
2 The rich and poor meet together: the LORD *is* the maker of them all.
3 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are
punished.
4 By humility *and* the fear of the LORD *are* riches, and honour, and life.†
5 Thorns *and* snares *are* in the way of the froward: he that doth keep his soul shall be far
from them.
6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from
it.‡§
7 The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower *is* servant to the lender.**
8 He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail.††
9 He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.‡‡
10 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.
11 He that loveth pureness of heart, *for* the grace of his lips the king *shall be* his friend.§§
12 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the words of the
transgressor.***
13 The slothful *man* saith, *There is* a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.
14 The mouth of strange women *is* a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall
therein.
15 Foolishness *is* bound in the heart of a child; *but* the rod of correction shall drive it far
from him.
16 He that oppresseth the poor to increase his *riches, and* he that giveth to the rich, *shall*
surely *come* to want.
17 Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my
knowledge.
18 For *it is* a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy
lips.†††
19 That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, even to thee.‡‡‡
20 Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,
21 That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest
answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee?§§§
22 Rob not the poor, because he *is* poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate:
23 For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.
24 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go:
25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.
26 Be not thou *one* of them that strike hands, *or* of them that are sureties for debts.
27 If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?

*** **21:24** in proud...: Heb. in the wrath of pride ††† **21:27** with...: Heb. in wickedness? ‡‡‡ **21:28** A...: Heb. A witness of lies §§§ **21:29** directeth: or, considereth * **21:31** safety: or, victory * **22:1** loving...: or, favour is better than, etc † **22:4** By...: or, The reward of humility, etc ‡ **22:6** Train...: or, Catechise § **22:6** in...: Heb. in his way ** **22:7** the lender: Heb. the man that lendeth †† **22:8** the rod...: or, with the rod of his anger he shall be consumed ‡‡ **22:9** He that...: Heb. Good of eye §§ **22:11** for...: or, and hath grace in his lips *** **22:12** the words: or, the matters ††† **22:18** within...: Heb. in thy belly ‡‡‡ **22:19** even...: or, trust thou also §§§ **22:21** to them...: or, to those that send thee?

28 Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.*
29 Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not
stand before mean *men*.†

23

1 When thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what *is* before thee:
2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou *be* a man given to appetite.
3 Be not desirous of his dainties: for they *are* deceitful meat.
4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.
5 Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for *riches* certainly make themselves
wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.*
6 Eat thou not the bread of *him that hath* an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats:
7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart *is*
not with thee.
8 The morsel *which* thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.
9 Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.
10 Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless:†
11 For their redeemer *is* mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee.
12 Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.
13 Withhold not correction from the child: for *if* thou beatest him with the rod, he shall
not die.
14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.
15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, even mine.‡
16 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.
17 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but *be thou* in the fear of the LORD all the day long.
18 For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.§
19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.
20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh:**
21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe *a*
man with rags.
22 Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.
23 Buy the truth, and sell *it* not; *also* wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.
24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise *child* shall
have joy of him.
25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.
26 My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.
27 For a whore *is* a deep ditch; and a strange woman *is* a narrow pit.
28 She also lieth in wait as *for* a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men.††
29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who
hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?
30 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.
31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, *when*
it moveth itself aright.
32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder.‡‡
33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.
34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon
the top of a mast.§§
35 They have stricken me, *shalt thou say, and* I was not sick; they have beaten me, *and* I
felt *it* not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.***

24

1 Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them.
2 For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.
3 Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established:
4 And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

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* **22:28** landmark: or, bound † **22:29** mean...: Heb. obscure men * **23:5** set...: Heb. cause thine eyes to fly upon † **23:10** landmark: or, bound ‡ **23:15** even...: or, even I will rejoice § **23:18** end: or, reward ** **23:20** of flesh: Heb. of their flesh †† **23:28** as for...: or, as a robber ‡‡ **23:32** an...: or, a cockatrice §§ **23:34** the midst...: Heb. the heart of the sea *** **23:35** I felt...: Heb. I knew it not

5 A wise man *is* strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength.*†
6 For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.
7 Wisdom *is* too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.
8 He that deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.
9 The thought of foolishness *is* sin: and the scorner *is* an abomination to men.
10 *If* thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength *is* small.‡
11 If thou forbear to deliver *them that are* drawn unto death, and *those that are* ready to be slain;
12 If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider *it*? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth *not* he know *it*? and shall *not* he render to *every* man according to his works?
13 My son, eat thou honey, because *it is* good; and the honeycomb, *which is* sweet to thy taste:§
14 So *shall* the knowledge of wisdom *be* unto thy soul: when thou hast found *it*, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off.
15 Lay not wait, O wicked *man*, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place:
16 For a just *man* falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.
17 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:
18 Lest the LORD see *it*, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.**
19 Fret not thyself because of evil *men*, neither be thou envious at the wicked;††
20 For there shall be no reward to the evil *man;* the candle of the wicked shall be put out.‡‡
21 My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: *and* meddle not with them that are given to change:§§
22 For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?
23 These *things* also *belong* to the wise. *It is* not good to have respect of persons in judgment.
24 He that saith unto the wicked, Thou *art* righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:
25 But to them that rebuke *him* shall be delight, and a good blessing shall come upon them.***
26 *Every man* shall kiss *his* lips that giveth a right answer.†††
27 Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.
28 Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive *not* with thy lips.
29 Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.
30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;
31 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, *and* nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.
32 Then I saw, *and* considered *it* well: I looked upon *it*, *and* received instruction.‡‡‡
33 *Yet* a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:
34 So shall thy poverty come *as* one that travelleth; and thy want as an armed man.§§§

25

1 These *are* also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.
2 *It is* the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings *is* to search out a matter.
3 The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings *is* unsearchable.*
4 Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer.

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* **24:5** is strong: Heb. is in strength † **24:5** increaseth...: Heb. strengtheneth might ‡ **24:10** small: Heb. narrow § **24:13** to...: Heb. upon thy palate ** **24:18** it displease...: Heb. it be evil in his eyes †† **24:19** Fret...: or, Keep not company with the wicked ‡‡ **24:20** candle: or, lamp §§ **24:21** them...: Heb. changers *** **24:25** a good...: Heb. a blessing of good ††† **24:26** that...: Heb. that answereth right words ‡‡‡ **24:32** considered...: Heb. set my heart §§§ **24:34** an...: Heb. a man of shield * **25:3** is...: Heb. there is no searching

5 Take away the wicked *from* before the king, and his throne shall be established in
righteousness.
6 Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great *men:*†
7 For better *it is* that it be said unto thee, Come up hither; than that thou shouldest be put
lower in the presence of the prince whom thine eyes have seen.
8 Go not forth hastily to strive, lest *thou know not* what to do in the end thereof, when thy
neighbour hath put thee to shame.
9 Debate thy cause with thy neighbour *himself;* and discover not a secret to another:‡
10 Lest he that heareth *it* put thee to shame, and thine infamy turn not away.
11 A word fitly spoken *is like* apples of gold in pictures of silver.§
12 *As* an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, *so is* a wise reprover upon an
obedient ear.
13 As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, *so is* a faithful messenger to them that send
him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters.
14 Whoso boasteth himself of a false gift *is like* clouds and wind without rain.**
15 By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.
16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled
therewith, and vomit it.
17 Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and *so* hate
thee.††‡‡
18 A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour *is* a maul, and a sword, and a
sharp arrow.
19 Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble *is like* a broken tooth, and a foot out
of joint.
20 *As* he that taketh away a garment in cold weather, *and as* vinegar upon nitre, so *is* he
that singeth songs to an heavy heart.
21 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to
drink:
22 For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.
23 The north wind driveth away rain: so *doth* an angry countenance a backbiting
tongue.§§
24 *It is* better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in
a wide house.
25 *As* cold waters to a thirsty soul, so *is* good news from a far country.
26 A righteous man falling down before the wicked *is as* a troubled fountain, and a
corrupt spring.
27 *It is* not good to eat much honey: so *for men* to search their own glory *is not* glory.
28 He that *hath* no rule over his own spirit *is like* a city *that is* broken down, *and* without
walls.

26

1 As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.
2 As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not
come.
3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.
4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.
5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.*
6 He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, *and* drinketh
damage.†
7 The legs of the lame are not equal: so *is* a parable in the mouth of fools.‡
8 As he that bindeth a stone in a sling, so *is* he that giveth honour to a fool.§
9 *As* a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so *is* a parable in the mouth of fools.
10 The great *God* that formed all *things* both rewardeth the fool, and rewardeth trans-
gressors.**

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† **25:6** Put...: Heb. Set not out thy glory ‡ **25:9** a secret...: or, the secret of § **25:11** fitly...: Heb. spoken upon his wheels ** **25:14** of a...: Heb. in a gift of falsehood †† **25:17** Withdraw...: or, Let thy foot be seldom in ‡‡ **25:17** weary...: Heb. full of thee §§ **25:23** driveth...: or, bringeth forth rain: so doth a backbiting tongue an angry countenance * **26:5** conceit: Heb. eyes † **26:6** damage: or, violence ‡ **26:7** are...: Heb. are lifted up § **26:8** bindeth...: or, putteth a precious stone in an heap of stones ** **26:10** The great...: or, A great man grieveth all, and he hireth the fool, he hireth also transgressors

11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, *so* a fool returneth to his folly.††
12 Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? *there is* more hope of a fool than of him.
13 The slothful *man* saith, *There is* a lion in the way; a lion *is* in the streets.
14 *As* the door turneth upon his hinges, so *doth* the slothful upon his bed.
15 The slothful hideth his hand in *his* bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.‡‡
16 The sluggard *is* wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.
17 He that passeth by, *and* meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the ears.§§
18 As a mad *man* who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death,***
19 So *is* the man *that* deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?
20 Where no wood is, *there* the fire goeth out: so where *there is* no talebearer, the strife ceaseth.†††‡‡‡§§§
21 *As* coals *are* to burning coals, and wood to fire; so *is* a contentious man to kindle strife.
22 The words of a talebearer *are* as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.*
23 Burning lips and a wicked heart *are like* a potsherd covered with silver dross.
24 He that hateth dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit within him;†
25 When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for *there are* seven abominations in his heart.‡
26 *Whose* hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the *whole* congregation.§
27 Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him.
28 A lying tongue hateth *those that are* afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin.

27

1 Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.*
2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.
3 A stone *is* heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath *is* heavier than them both.†
4 Wrath *is* cruel, and anger *is* outrageous; but who *is* able to stand before envy?‡§
5 Open rebuke *is* better than secret love.
6 Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy *are* deceitful.**
7 The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.††
8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so *is* a man that wandereth from his place.
9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so *doth* the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.‡‡
10 Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: *for* better *is* a neighbour *that is* near than a brother far off.
11 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him that reproacheth me.
12 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, *and* hideth himself; *but* the simple pass on, *and* are punished.
13 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.
14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.
15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.
16 Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, *which* bewrayeth *itself*.
17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

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†† **26:11** returneth to his folly: Heb. iterateth his folly ‡‡ **26:15** it grieveth...: or, he is weary §§ **26:17** meddleth: or, is enraged *** **26:18** firebrands: Heb. flames, or, sparks ††† **26:20** Where no...: Heb. Without wood ‡‡‡ **26:20** talebearer: or, whisperer §§§ **26:20** ceaseth: Heb. is silent * **26:22** innermost...: Heb. chambers † **26:24** dissembleth: or, is known ‡ **26:25** speaketh...: Heb. maketh his voice gracious § **26:26** by...: or, in secret * **27:1** to...: Heb. to morrow day † **27:3** heavy: Heb. heaviness ‡ **27:4** Wrath...: Heb. Wrath is cruelty, and anger an overflowing § **27:4** envy: or, jealousy? ** **27:6** deceitful: or, earnest, or, frequent †† **27:7** loatheth: Heb. treadeth under foot ‡‡ **27:9** by...: Heb. from the counsel of the soul

18 Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waiteth on his master
shall be honoured.
19 As in water face *answereth* to face, so the heart of man to man.
20 Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.§§
21 *As* the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so *is* a man to his praise.
22 Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, *yet* will not
his foolishness depart from him.
23 Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, *and* look well to thy herds.***
24 For riches *are* not for ever: and doth the crown *endure* to every generation?†††‡‡‡
25 The hay appeareth, and the tender grass sheweth itself, and herbs of the mountains
are gathered.
26 The lambs *are* for thy clothing, and the goats *are* the price of the field.
27 And *thou shalt have* goats' milk enough for thy food, for the food of thy household, and
for the maintenance for thy maidens.§§§

28

1 The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.
2 For the transgression of a land many *are* the princes thereof: but by a man of
understanding *and* knowledge the state *thereof* shall be prolonged.*
3 A poor man that oppresseth the poor *is like* a sweeping rain which leaveth no food.†
4 They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with
them.
5 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all *things*.
6 Better *is* the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than *he that is* perverse *in his* ways,
though he *be* rich.
7 Whoso keepeth the law *is* a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous *men* shameth
his father.‡
8 He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him
that will pity the poor.§
9 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer *shall be* abomina-
tion.
10 Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his
own pit: but the upright shall have good *things* in possession.
11 The rich man *is* wise in his own conceit; but the poor that hath understanding
searcheth him out.**
12 When righteous *men* do rejoice, *there is* great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man
is hidden.††
13 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh *them*
shall have mercy.
14 Happy *is* the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into
mischief.
15 *As* a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; *so is* a wicked ruler over the poor people.
16 The prince that wanteth understanding *is* also a great oppressor: *but* he that hateth
covetousness shall prolong *his* days.
17 A man that doeth violence to the blood of *any* person shall flee to the pit; let no man
stay him.
18 Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but *he that is* perverse *in his* ways shall fall
at once.
19 He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vain
persons shall have poverty enough.
20 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall
not be innocent.‡‡
21 To have respect of persons *is* not good: for for a piece of bread *that* man will transgress.

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§§ **27:20** never: Heb. not *** **27:23** look...: Heb. set thy heart ††† **27:24** riches: Heb. strength ‡‡‡ **27:24** to...: Heb. to generation and generation? §§§ **27:27** maintenance: Heb. life * **28:2** by...: or, by men of understanding and wisdom shall they likewise be prolonged † **28:3** which...: Heb. without food ‡ **28:7** is a companion...: or, feedeth gluttons § **28:8** unjust...: Heb. by increase ** **28:11** own...: Heb. eyes †† **28:12** hidden: or, sought for ‡‡ **28:20** innocent: or, unpunished

22 He that hasteth to be rich *hath* an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come
upon him.§§
23 He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with
the tongue.
24 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, *It is* no transgression; the same *is*
the companion of a destroyer.***
25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD
shall be made fat.
26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be
delivered.
27 He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many
a curse.
28 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous
increase.

29

1 He, that being often reproved hardeneth *his* neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that
without remedy.*
2 When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth
rule, the people mourn. †
3 Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots
spendeth *his* substance.
4 The king by judgment establisheth the land: but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth
it.‡
5 A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.
6 In the transgression of an evil man *there is* a snare: but the righteous doth sing and
rejoice.
7 The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: *but* the wicked regardeth not to know
it.
8 Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise *men* turn away wrath.§
9 *If* a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, *there is* no rest.
10 The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.**
11 A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise *man* keepeth it in till afterwards.
12 If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants *are* wicked.
13 The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the LORD lighteneth both their eyes.††
14 The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be established for ever.
15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left *to himself* bringeth his mother to
shame.
16 When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see
their fall.
17 Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.
18 Where *there is* no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy *is* he.‡‡
19 A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer.
20 Seest thou a man *that is* hasty in his words? *there is* more hope of a fool than of him.§§
21 He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have him become *his* son
at the length.
22 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.
23 A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.
24 Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth
it not.
25 The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be
safe.***
26 Many seek the ruler's favour; but *every* man's judgment *cometh* from the LORD.†††
27 An unjust man *is* an abomination to the just: and *he that is* upright in the way *is*
abomination to the wicked.

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§§ **28:22** hasteth...: or, hath and evil eye hasteth to be rich *** **28:24** a destroyer: Heb. a man destroying * **29:1** He...: Heb. A man of reproofs † **29:2** in...: or, increased ‡ **29:4** he...: Heb. a man of oblations § **29:8** bring...: or, set a city on fire ** **29:10** The bloodthirsty: Heb. Men of blood †† **29:13** the deceitful...: or, the usurer ‡‡ **29:18** perish: or, is made naked §§ **29:20** words: or, matters? *** **29:25** safe: Heb. set on high ††† **29:26** the ruler's...: Heb. the face of a ruler

30

1 The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, *even* the prophecy: the man spake unto Ithiel, even
unto Ithiel and Ucal,
2 Surely I *am* more brutish than *any* man, and have not the understanding of a man.
3 I neither learned wisdom, nor have the knowledge of the holy.*
4 Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his
fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the
earth? what *is* his name, and what *is* his son's name, if thou canst tell?
5 Every word of God *is* pure: he *is* a shield unto them that put their trust in him.†
6 Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.
7 Two *things* have I required of thee; deny me *them* not before I die:‡
8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with
food convenient for me:§
9 Lest I be full, and deny *thee*, and say, Who *is* the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and
take the name of my God *in vain*.**
10 Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse thee, and thou be found guilty.††
11 *There is* a generation *that* curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.
12 *There is* a generation *that are* pure in their own eyes, and *yet* is not washed from their
filthiness.
13 *There is* a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up.
14 *There is* a generation, whose teeth *are as* swords, and their jaw teeth *as* knives, to
devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from *among* men.
15 The horseleach hath two daughters, *crying*, Give, give. There are three *things that* are
never satisfied, *yea*, four *things* say not, *It is* enough:‡‡
16 The grave; and the barren womb; the earth *that* is not filled with water; and the fire
that saith not, *It is* enough.
17 The eye *that* mocketh at *his* father, and despiseth to obey *his* mother, the ravens of the
valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.§§
18 There be three *things which* are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not:
19 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in
the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.***
20 Such *is* the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and saith,
I have done no wickedness.
21 For three *things* the earth is disquieted, and for four *which* it cannot bear:
22 For a servant when he reigneth; and a fool when he is filled with meat;
23 For an odious *woman* when she is married; and an handmaid that is heir to her
mistress.
24 There be four *things which are* little upon the earth, but they *are* exceeding wise:†††
25 The ants *are* a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer;
26 The conies *are but* a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks;
27 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands;‡‡‡
28 The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.
29 There be three *things* which go well, yea, four are comely in going:
30 A lion *which is* strongest among beasts, and turneth not away for any;
31 A greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against whom *there is* no rising up.§§§
32 If thou hast done foolishly in lifting up thyself, or if thou hast thought evil, *lay* thine
hand upon thy mouth.
33 Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose
bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

31

1 The words of king Lemuel, the prophecy that his mother taught him.
2 What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of my vows?
3 Give not thy strength unto women, nor thy ways to that which destroyeth kings.

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* **30:3** have: Heb. know † **30:5** pure: Heb. purified ‡ **30:7** deny...: Heb. withhold not from me § **30:8** convenient...: Heb. of my allowance ** **30:9** deny...: Heb. belie thee †† **30:10** Accuse...: Heb. Hurt not with thy tongue ‡‡ **30:15** It is...: Heb. Wealth §§ **30:17** the valley: or, the brook *** **30:19** midst: Heb. heart ††† **30:24** exceeding...: Heb. wise, made wise ‡‡‡ **30:27** by...: Heb. gathered together §§§ **30:31** greyhound: or, horse: Heb. girt in the loins

4 *It is* not for kings, O Lemuel, *it is* not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong
drink:
5 Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted.*†
6 Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy
hearts.‡
7 Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more.
8 Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all such as are appointed to destruction.§
9 Open thy mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.
10 ¶ Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price *is* far above rubies.
11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.
12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.
13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.
14 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.
15 She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to
her maidens.
16 She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a
vineyard.**
17 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.
18 She perceiveth that her merchandise *is* good: her candle goeth not out by night.††
19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.
20 She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the
needy.‡‡
21 She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household *are* clothed with
scarlet.§§
22 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing *is* silk and purple.
23 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.
24 She maketh fine linen, and selleth *it;* and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.
25 Strength and honour *are* her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.
26 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue *is* the law of kindness.
27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.
28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband *also*, and he praiseth her.
29 Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.***
30 Favour *is* deceitful, and beauty *is* vain: *but* a woman *that* feareth the LORD, she shall
be praised.
31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

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* **31:5** pervert: Heb. alter † **31:5** of any...: Heb. of all the sons of affliction ‡ **31:6** of...: Heb. bitter of soul § **31:8** such...: Heb. the sons of destruction ** **31:16** buyeth: Heb. taketh †† **31:18** She...: Heb. She tasteth ‡‡ **31:20** She...: Heb. She spreadeth §§ **31:21** scarlet: or, double garments *** **31:29** have...: or, have gotten riches

Ecclesiastes or, the Preacher

1 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.
2 Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all *is* vanity.
3 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?
4 *One* generation passeth away, and *another* generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.
5 The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.*
6 The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.
7 All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea *is* not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again.†
8 All things *are* full of labour; man cannot utter *it:* the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.
9 The thing that hath been, it *is that* which shall be; and that which is done *is* that which shall be done: and *there is* no new *thing* under the sun.
10 Is there *any* thing whereof it may be said, See, this *is* new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.
11 *There is* no remembrance of former *things;* neither shall there be *any* remembrance of *things* that are to come with *those* that shall come after.
12 ¶ I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.
13 And I gave my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all *things* that are done under heaven: this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man to be exercised therewith.‡
14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.
15 *That which is* crooked cannot be made straight: and that which is wanting cannot be numbered.§
16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all *they* that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.**
17 And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.
18 For in much wisdom *is* much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.

2

1 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also *is* vanity.
2 I said of laughter, *It is* mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?
3 I sought in mine heart to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what *was* that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.*†
4 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:
5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all *kind of* fruits:
6 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:
7 I got *me* servants and maidens, and had servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:‡
8 I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, *as* musical instruments, and that of all sorts.§
9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.
10 And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

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* **1:5** hasteth: Heb. panteth † **1:7** return...: Heb. return to go ‡ **1:13** to be...: or, to afflict them § **1:15** that which is wanting: Heb. defect ** **1:16** had...: Heb. had seen much * **2:3** to give...: Heb. to draw my flesh with wine † **2:3** all...: Heb. the number of the days of their life ‡ **2:7** servants born...: Heb. sons of my house § **2:8** musical...: Heb. musical instrument and instruments

11 Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I
had laboured to do: and, behold, all *was* vanity and vexation of spirit, and *there was* no
profit under the sun.
12 ¶ And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what *can* the man
do that cometh after the king? *even* that which hath been already done.**
13 Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.††
14 The wise man's eyes *are* in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself
perceived also that one event happeneth to them all.
15 Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it happeneth even to me; and
why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also *is* vanity.‡‡
16 For *there is* no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that
which now *is* in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise *man*? as
the fool.
17 Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun *is* grievous unto
me: for all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.
18 ¶ Yea, I hated all my labour which I had taken under the sun: because I should leave it
unto the man that shall be after me.§§
19 And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise *man* or a fool? yet shall he have rule over
all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the
sun. This *is* also vanity.
20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under
the sun.
21 For there is a man whose labour *is* in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to
a man that hath not laboured therein shall he leave it *for* his portion. This also *is* vanity
and a great evil.***
22 For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath
laboured under the sun?
23 For all his days *are* sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the
night. This is also vanity.
24 ¶ *There is* nothing better for a man, *than* that he should eat and drink, and *that* he
should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it *was* from the hand of
God.†††
25 For who can eat, or who else can hasten *hereunto*, more than I?
26 For *God* giveth to a man that *is* good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but
to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to *him that is* good
before God. This also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.‡‡‡

3

1 To every *thing there is* a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:
2 A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up *that which is*
planted;*
3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;
4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and
a time to refrain from embracing;†
6 A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;‡
7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.
9 What profit hath he that worketh in that wherein he laboureth?
10 I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it.
11 He hath made every *thing* beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their
heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the
end.
12 I know that *there is* no good in them, but for *a man* to rejoice, and to do good in his life.
13 And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it
is the gift of God.

** **2:12** even...: or, in those things which have been already done †† **2:13** that...: Heb. that there is an excellency in wisdom more than in folly, etc ‡‡ **2:15** happeneth even...: Heb. happeneth to me, even to me §§ **2:18** taken: Heb. laboured *** **2:21** leave: Heb. give ††† **2:24** should make...: or, delight his senses ‡‡‡ **2:26** in his...: Heb. before him * **3:2** to be...: Heb. to bear † **3:5** to refrain from: Heb. to be far from ‡ **3:6** get: or, seek

14 I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor
any thing taken from it: and God doeth *it*, that *men* should fear before him.
15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God
requireth that which is past.§
16 ¶ And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, *that* wickedness *was* there;
and the place of righteousness, *that* iniquity *was* there.
17 I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for *there is* a time
there for every purpose and for every work.
18 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that God might manifest
them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.**
19 For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth
them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath
no preeminence above a beast: for all *is* vanity.
20 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.
21 Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth
downward to the earth?††‡‡
22 Wherefore I perceive that *there is* nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his
own works; for that *is* his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?

4

1 So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and
behold the tears of *such as were* oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the side of
their oppressors *there was* power; but they had no comforter.*
2 Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are
yet alive.
3 Yea, better *is he* than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the evil
work that is done under the sun.
4 ¶ Again, I considered all travail, and every right work, that for this a man is envied of
his neighbour. This *is* also vanity and vexation of spirit.†‡
5 The fool foldeth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh.
6 Better *is* an handful *with* quietness, than both the hands full *with* travail and vexation
of spirit.
7 ¶ Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.
8 There is one *alone*, and *there is* not a second; yea, he hath neither child nor brother: yet
is there no end of all his labour; neither is his eye satisfied with riches; neither *saith he*, For
whom do I labour, and bereave my soul of good? This *is* also vanity, yea, it *is* a sore travail.
9 ¶ Two *are* better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.
10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him *that is* alone when he
falleth; for *he hath* not another to help him up.
11 Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm *alone*?
12 And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not
quickly broken.
13 ¶ Better *is* a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, who will no more be
admonished.§
14 For out of prison he cometh to reign; whereas also *he that is* born in his kingdom
becometh poor.
15 I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the second child that shall
stand up in his stead.
16 *There is* no end of all the people, *even* of all that have been before them: they also that
come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

5

1 Keep thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to
give the sacrifice of fools: for they consider not that they do evil.
2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter *any* thing before
God: for God *is* in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.*

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§ **3:15** that which is past: Heb. that which is driven away ** **3:18** that God...: or, that they might clear God, and see, etc †† **3:21** of man: Heb. of the sons of man ‡‡ **3:21** goeth upward: Heb. is ascending, etc * **4:1** side: Heb. hand † **4:4** every...: Heb. all the rightness of work ‡ **4:4** for this...: Heb. this is the envy of a man from his neighbour § **4:13** who...: Heb. who knoweth not to be admonished * **5:2** thing: or, word

3 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fool's voice *is known* by
multitude of words.
4 When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for *he hath* no pleasure in fools:
pay that which thou hast vowed.
5 Better *is it* that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.
6 Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; neither say thou before the angel, that it
was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine
hands?
7 For in the multitude of dreams and many words *there are* also *divers* vanities: but fear
thou God.
8 ¶ If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice
in a province, marvel not at the matter: for *he that is* higher than the highest regardeth; and
there be higher than they.†
9 ¶ Moreover the profit of the earth is for all: the king *himself* is served by the field.
10 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance
with increase: this *is* also vanity.
11 When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good *is there* to the
owners thereof, saving the beholding *of them* with their eyes?
12 The sleep of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the
abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.
13 There is a sore evil *which* I have seen under the sun, *namely*, riches kept for the owners
thereof to their hurt.
14 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and *there is* nothing in
his hand.
15 As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and
shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand.
16 And this also *is* a sore evil, *that* in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit
hath he that hath laboured for the wind?
17 All his days also he eateth in darkness, and *he hath* much sorrow and wrath with his
sickness.
18 ¶ Behold *that* which I have seen: *it is* good and comely *for one* to eat and to drink, and
to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh under the sun all the days of his life, which
God giveth him: for it *is* his portion.‡§
19 Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power
to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this *is* the gift of God.
20 For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God answereth *him* in
the joy of his heart.**

6

1 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it *is* common among men:
2 A man to whom God hath given riches, wealth, and honour, so that he wanteth nothing
for his soul of all that he desireth, yet God giveth him not power to eat thereof, but a
stranger eateth it: this *is* vanity, and it *is* an evil disease.
3 ¶ If a man beget an hundred *children*, and live many years, so that the days of his years
be many, and his soul be not filled with good, and also *that* he have no burial; I say, *that* an
untimely birth *is* better than he.
4 For he cometh in with vanity, and departeth in darkness, and his name shall be covered
with darkness.
5 Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known *any thing:* this hath more rest than the
other.
6 ¶ Yea, though he live a thousand years twice *told*, yet hath he seen no good: do not all
go to one place?
7 All the labour of man *is* for his mouth, and yet the appetite is not filled.*
8 For what hath the wise more than the fool? what hath the poor, that knoweth to walk
before the living?
9 ¶ Better *is* the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the desire: this *is* also vanity and
vexation of spirit.†

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† **5:8** at the...: Heb. at the will, or, purpose ‡ **5:18** it is good...: Heb. there is a good which is comely, etc § **5:18** all the days: Heb. the number of the days ** **5:20** For...: or, Though he give not much, yet he remembereth, etc * **6:7** appetite: Heb. soul † **6:9** than...: Heb. than the walking of the soul

10 That which hath been is named already, and it is known that it *is* man: neither may he
contend with him that is mightier than he.
11 ¶ Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what *is* man the better?
12 For who knoweth what *is* good for man in *this* life, all the days of his vain life which he
spendeth as a shadow? for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?‡

7

1 A good name *is* better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of
one's birth.
2 ¶ *It is* better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that
is the end of all men; and the living will lay *it* to his heart.
3 Sorrow *is* better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made
better.*
4 The heart of the wise *is* in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools *is* in the house
of mirth.
5 *It is* better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.
6 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so *is* the laughter of the fool: this also *is*
vanity.†
7 ¶ Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad; and a gift destroyeth the heart.
8 Better *is* the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: *and* the patient in spirit *is* better
than the proud in spirit.
9 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.
10 Say not thou, What is *the cause* that the former days were better than these? for thou
dost not enquire wisely concerning this.‡
11 ¶ Wisdom *is* good with an inheritance: and *by it there is* profit to them that see the sun.§
12 For wisdom *is* a defence, *and* money *is* a defence: but the excellency of knowledge *is,*
that wisdom giveth life to them that have it.**
13 Consider the work of God: for who can make *that* straight, which he hath made
crooked?
14 In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath
set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.††
15 All *things* have I seen in the days of my vanity: there is a just *man* that perisheth in his
righteousness, and there is a wicked *man* that prolongeth *his life* in his wickedness.
16 Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise: why shouldest thou
destroy thyself?‡‡
17 Be not over much wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldest thou die before thy
time?§§
18 *It is* good that thou shouldest take hold of this; yea, also from this withdraw not thine
hand: for he that feareth God shall come forth of them all.
19 Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty *men* which are in the city.
20 For *there is* not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.
21 Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant curse
thee:***
22 For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed
others.
23 ¶ All this have I proved by wisdom: I said, I will be wise; but it *was* far from me.
24 That which is far off, and exceeding deep, who can find it out?
25 I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason
of things, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness *and* madness:†††
26 And I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart *is* snares and nets, *and* her
hands *as* bands: whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken
by her.‡‡‡
27 Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, *counting* one by one, to find out the
account:§§§

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‡ **6:12** all...: Heb. the number of the days of the life of his vanity * **7:3** Sorrow: or, Anger † **7:6** crackling: Heb. sound ‡ **7:10** wisely: Heb. out of wisdom § **7:11** good...: or, as good as an inheritance, yea, better too ** **7:12** defence: Heb. shadow †† **7:14** set: Heb. made ‡‡ **7:16** destroy...: Heb. be desolate? §§ **7:17** before...: Heb. not in thy time? *** **7:21** take...: Heb. give not thine heart ††† **7:25** I applied...: Heb. I and mine heart compassed ‡‡‡ **7:26** whoso...: Heb. he that is good before God §§§ **7:27** counting...: or, weighing one thing after another, to find out the reason

28 Which yet my soul seeketh, but I find not: one man among a thousand have I found;
but a woman among all those have I not found.
29 Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out
many inventions.

8

1 Who *is* as the wise *man*? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's
wisdom maketh his face to shine, and the boldness of his face shall be changed.*
2 I *counsel thee* to keep the king's commandment, and *that* in regard of the oath of God.
3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever
pleaseth him.
4 Where the word of a king *is, there is* power: and who may say unto him, What doest
thou?
5 Whoso keepeth the commandment shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart
discerneth both time and judgment.†
6 ¶ Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man *is*
great upon him.
7 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?‡
8 *There is* no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither *hath he*
power in the day of death: and *there is* no discharge in *that* war; neither shall wickedness
deliver those that are given to it.§
9 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun:
there is a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.
10 And so I saw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy,
and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this *is* also vanity.
11 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of
the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.
12 ¶ Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his *days* be prolonged, yet surely I
know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:
13 But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong *his* days, *which are* as
a shadow; because he feareth not before God.
14 There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just *men*, unto whom it
happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked *men*, to whom it
happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also *is* vanity.
15 Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to
eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of
his life, which God giveth him under the sun.
16 ¶ When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done
upon the earth: (for also *there is that* neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)
17 Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done
under the sun: because though a man labour to seek *it* out, yet he shall not find *it;* yea
further; though a wise *man* think to know *it*, yet shall he not be able to find *it*.

9

1 For all this I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that the righteous, and the
wise, and their works, *are* in the hand of God: no man knoweth either love or hatred *by* all
that is before them.*
2 All *things come* alike to all: *there is* one event to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the
good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth
not: as *is* the good, so *is* the sinner; *and* he that sweareth, as *he* that feareth an oath.
3 This *is* an evil among all *things* that are done under the sun, that *there is* one event unto
all: yea, also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness *is* in their heart while
they live, and after that *they go* to the dead.
4 ¶ For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a
dead lion.
5 For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have
they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten.

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* **8:1** the boldness: Heb. the strength † **8:5** shall...: Heb. shall know ‡ **8:7** when...: or, how it shall be? § **8:8** discharge: or, casting off weapons * **9:1** I considered...: Heb. I gave, or, set to my heart

6 Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any
more a portion for ever in any *thing* that is done under the sun.
7 ¶ Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God
now accepteth thy works.
8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.
9 Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which
he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that *is* thy portion in *this*
life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.†
10 Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do *it* with thy might; for *there is* no work, nor
device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.
11 ¶ I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race *is* not to the swift, nor the battle to
the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet
favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.
12 For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as
the birds that are caught in the snare; so *are* the sons of men snared in an evil time, when
it falleth suddenly upon them.
13 ¶ This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it *seemed* great unto me:
14 *There was* a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it,
and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it:
15 Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city;
yet no man remembered that same poor man.
16 Then said I, Wisdom *is* better than strength: nevertheless the poor man's wisdom *is*
despised, and his words are not heard.
17 The words of wise *men are* heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among
fools.
18 Wisdom *is* better than weapons of war: but one sinner destroyeth much good.

10

1 Dead flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savour: *so doth*
a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom *and* honour.*
2 A wise man's heart *is* at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left.
3 Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his wisdom faileth *him*, and he saith
to every one *that* he *is* a fool.†
4 If the spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, leave not thy place; for yielding pacifieth
great offences.
5 There is an evil *which* I have seen under the sun, as an error *which* proceedeth from the
ruler:‡
6 Folly is set in great dignity, and the rich sit in low place.§
7 I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking as servants upon the earth.
8 He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an hedge, a serpent shall bite
him.
9 Whoso removeth stones shall be hurt therewith; *and* he that cleaveth wood shall be
endangered thereby.
10 If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength:
but wisdom *is* profitable to direct.
11 Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment; and a babbler is no better.**
12 The words of a wise man's mouth *are* gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up
himself.††
13 The beginning of the words of his mouth *is* foolishness: and the end of his talk *is*
mischievous madness.‡‡
14 A fool also is full of words: a man cannot tell what shall be; and what shall be after
him, who can tell him?§§
15 The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to
go to the city.
16 ¶ Woe to thee, O land, when thy king *is* a child, and thy princes eat in the morning!
17 Blessed *art* thou, O land, when thy king *is* the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due
season, for strength, and not for drunkenness!

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† **9:9** Live...: Heb. See, or, Enjoy life * **10:1** Dead...: Heb. Flies of death † **10:3** his...: Heb. his heart ‡ **10:5** from: Heb. from before § **10:6** in great...: Heb. in great heights ** **10:11** a babbler: Heb. the master of the tongue †† **10:12** gracious: Heb. grace ‡‡ **10:13** his talk: Heb. his mouth §§ **10:14** is full...: Heb. multiplieth words

18 ¶ By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the
house droppeth through.
19 ¶ A feast is made for laughter, and wine maketh merry: but money answereth all
things.***
20 ¶ Curse not the king, no not in thy thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber:
for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.†††

11

1 Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.*
2 Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon
the earth.
3 If the clouds be full of rain, they empty *themselves* upon the earth: and if the tree fall
toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.
4 He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not
reap.
5 As thou knowest not what *is* the way of the spirit, *nor* how the bones *do grow* in the
womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.
6 In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou
knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both *shall be* alike
good.†
7 ¶ Truly the light *is* sweet, and a pleasant *thing it is* for the eyes to behold the sun:
8 But if a man live many years, *and* rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of
darkness; for they shall be many. All that cometh *is* vanity.
9 ¶ Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy
youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou,
that for all these *thing*s God will bring thee into judgment.
10 Therefore remove sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for
childhood and youth *are* vanity.‡

12

1 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor
the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;
2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds
return after the rain:
3 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow
themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the
windows be darkened,*
4 And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he
shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;
5 Also *when* they shall be afraid of *that which is* high, and fears *shall be* in the way, and
the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail:
because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:
6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken
at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.
7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God
who gave it.
8 ¶ Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all *is* vanity.
9 And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge;
yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, *and* set in order many proverbs.†
10 The preacher sought to find out acceptable words: and *that which was* written *was*
upright, *even* words of truth.‡
11 The words of the wise *are* as goads, and as nails fastened *by* the masters of assemblies,
which are given from one shepherd.
12 And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books *there is* no end;
and much study *is* a weariness of the flesh.§

*** **10:19** maketh...: Heb. maketh glad the life ††† **10:20** thought: or, conscience * **11:1** upon...: Heb. upon the face of the waters † **11:6** shall prosper: Heb. shall be right ‡ **11:10** sorrow: or, anger * **12:3** the grinders...: or, the grinders fail, because they grind little † **12:9** moreover...: or, the more wise the preacher was, etc ‡ **12:10** acceptable...: Heb. words of delight § **12:12** study: or, reading

13 ¶ Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.**
14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil.

** **12:13** Let...: or, The end of the matter, even all that hath been heard, is

The Song of Solomon

1 The song of songs, which *is* Solomon's.
2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for thy love *is* better than wine.*
3 Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name *is as* ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.
4 Draw me, we will run after thee: the king hath brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: the upright love thee.†
5 I *am* black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.
6 Look not upon me, because I *am* black, because the sun hath looked upon me: my mother's children were angry with me; they made me the keeper of the vineyards; *but* mine own vineyard have I not kept.
7 Tell me, O thou whom my soul loveth, where thou feedest, where thou makest *thy flock* to rest at noon: for why should I be as one that turneth aside by the flocks of thy companions?‡
8 ¶ If thou know not, O thou fairest among women, go thy way forth by the footsteps of the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shepherds' tents.
9 I have compared thee, O my love, to a company of horses in Pharaoh's chariots.
10 Thy cheeks are comely with rows *of jewels*, thy neck with chains *of gold*.
11 We will make thee borders of gold with studs of silver.
12 ¶ While the king *sitteth* at his table, my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof.
13 A bundle of myrrh *is* my wellbeloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.
14 My beloved *is* unto me *as* a cluster of camphire in the vineyards of En-gedi.§
15 Behold, thou *art* fair, my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes.**
16 Behold, thou *art* fair, my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our bed *is* green.
17 The beams of our house *are* cedar, *and* our rafters of fir.††

2

1 I *am* the rose of Sharon, *and* the lily of the valleys.
2 As the lily among thorns, so *is* my love among the daughters.
3 As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so *is* my beloved among the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit *was* sweet to my taste.*†
4 He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me *was* love.‡
5 Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I *am* sick of love.§
6 His left hand *is* under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.
7 I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.**
8 ¶ The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the hills.
9 My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, he standeth behind our wall, he looketh forth at the windows, shewing himself through the lattice.††
10 My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.
11 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over *and* gone;
12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing *of birds* is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;
13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines *with* the tender grape give a *good* smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.
14 ¶ O my dove, *that art* in the clefts of the rock, in the secret *places* of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet *is* thy voice, and thy countenance *is* comely.
15 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines *have* tender grapes.
16 ¶ My beloved *is* mine, and I *am* his: he feedeth among the lilies.

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* **1:2** thy...: Heb. thy loves † **1:4** the upright...: or, they love thee uprightly ‡ **1:7** as one...: or, as one that is veiled § **1:14** camphire: or, cypress ** **1:15** my love: or, my companion †† **1:17** rafters: or, galleries * **2:3** I sat...: Heb. I delighted and sat down, etc † **2:3** taste: Heb. palate ‡ **2:4** banqueting...: Heb. house of wine § **2:5** comfort...: Heb. straw me with apples ** **2:7** I charge...: Heb. I adjure you †† **2:9** shewing...: Heb. flourishing

17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a
roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.‡‡

3

1 By night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him
not.
2 I will rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek him
whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.
3 The watchmen that go about the city found me: *to whom I said*, Saw ye him whom my
soul loveth?
4 *It was* but a little that I passed from them, but I found him whom my soul loveth: I held
him, and would not let him go, until I had brought him into my mother's house, and into
the chamber of her that conceived me.
5 I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that
ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.
6 ¶ Who *is* this that cometh out of the wilderness like pillars of smoke, perfumed with
myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?
7 Behold his bed, which *is* Solomon's; threescore valiant men *are* about it, of the valiant
of Israel.
8 They all hold swords, *being* expert in war: every man *hath* his sword upon his thigh
because of fear in the night.
9 King Solomon made himself a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.*
10 He made the pillars thereof *of* silver, the bottom thereof *of* gold, the covering of it *of*
purple, the midst thereof being paved *with* love, for the daughters of Jerusalem.
11 Go forth, O ye daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith
his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his
heart.

4

1 Behold, thou *art* fair, my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes within thy
locks: thy hair *is* as a flock of goats, that appear from mount Gilead.*
2 Thy teeth *are* like a flock *of sheep that are even* shorn, which came up from the washing;
whereof every one bear twins, and none *is* barren among them.
3 Thy lips *are* like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech *is* comely: thy temples *are* like a
piece of a pomegranate within thy locks.
4 Thy neck *is* like the tower of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a
thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.
5 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.
6 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh,
and to the hill of frankincense.†
7 Thou *art* all fair, my love; *there is* no spot in thee.
8 ¶ Come with me from Lebanon, *my* spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top
of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains
of the leopards.
9 Thou hast ravished my heart, my sister, *my* spouse; thou hast ravished my heart with
one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.‡
10 How fair is thy love, my sister, *my* spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! and
the smell of thine ointments than all spices!
11 Thy lips, O *my* spouse, drop *as* the honeycomb: honey and milk *are* under thy tongue;
and the smell of thy garments *is* like the smell of Lebanon.
12 A garden inclosed *is* my sister, *my* spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed. §**
13 Thy plants *are* an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with
spikenard,††
14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh
and aloes, with all the chief spices:
15 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.
16 ¶ Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, *that* the spices
thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

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‡‡ **2:17** of Bether: or, of division * **3:9** a chariot: or, a bed * **4:1** that...: or, that eat of, etc † **4:6** break: Heb. breathe ‡ **4:9** ravished: or, taken away § **4:12** inclosed: Heb. barred ** **4:12** shut up: Heb. barred †† **4:13** camphire: or, cypress

5

1 I am come into my garden, my sister, *my* spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my
spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk:
eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.*
2 ¶ I sleep, but my heart waketh: *it is* the voice of my beloved that knocketh, *saying*, Open
to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, *and* my
locks with the drops of the night.
3 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile
them?
4 My beloved put in his hand by the hole *of the door*, and my bowels were moved for him.†
5 I rose up to open to my beloved; and my hands dropped *with* myrrh, and my fingers
with sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.‡
6 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, *and* was gone: my soul
failed when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me
no answer.
7 The watchmen that went about the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me;
the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me.
8 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I *am*
sick of love.§
9 ¶ What *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, O thou fairest among women? what
is thy beloved more than *another* beloved, that thou dost so charge us?
10 My beloved *is* white and ruddy, the chiefest among ten thousand.**
11 His head *is as* the most fine gold, his locks *are* bushy, *and* black as a raven.††
12 His eyes *are* as *the eyes* of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, *and* fitly
set.‡‡
13 His cheeks *are* as a bed of spices, *as* sweet flowers: his lips *like* lilies, dropping sweet
smelling myrrh.§§
14 His hands *are as* gold rings set with the beryl: his belly *is as* bright ivory overlaid *with*
sapphires.
15 His legs *are as* pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: his countenance *is* as
Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.
16 His mouth *is* most sweet: yea, he *is* altogether lovely. This *is* my beloved, and this *is* my
friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.***

6

1 Whither is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither is thy beloved
turned aside? that we may seek him with thee.
2 My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens,
and to gather lilies.
3 I *am* my beloved's, and my beloved *is* mine: he feedeth among the lilies.
4 ¶ Thou *art* beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem, terrible as *an army* with
banners.
5 Turn away thine eyes from me, for they have overcome me: thy hair *is* as a flock of
goats that appear from Gilead.*
6 Thy teeth *are* as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one
beareth twins, and *there is* not one barren among them.
7 As a piece of a pomegranate *are* thy temples within thy locks.
8 There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number.
9 My dove, my undefiled is *but* one; she *is* the *only* one of her mother, she *is* the choice
one of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; *yea*, the queens and the
concubines, and they praised her.
10 ¶ Who *is* she *that* looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, *and*
terrible as *an army* with banners?
11 I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley, *and* to see whether
the vine flourished, *and* the pomegranates budded.

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* **5:1** yea...: or, and be drunken with loves † **5:4** for him: or, (as some read) in me ‡ **5:5** sweet...: Heb. passing, or, running about § **5:8** that ye: Heb. what, etc ** **5:10** the chiefest: Heb. a standard-bearer †† **5:11** bushy: or, curled ‡‡ **5:12** fitly...: Heb. sitting in fulness, that is, fitly placed, and set as a precious stone in the foil of a ring §§ **5:13** sweet flowers: or, towers of perfumes *** **5:16** mouth: Heb. palate * **6:5** overcome...: or, puffed me up

12 Or ever I was aware, my soul made me *like* the chariots of Amminadib.[†‡]
13 Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon thee. What will ye
see in the Shulamite? As it were the company of two armies.[§]

7

1 How beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the joints of thy thighs *are*
like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.
2 Thy navel *is like* a round goblet, *which* wanteth not liquor: thy belly *is like* an heap of
wheat set about with lilies.[*]
3 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes *that are* twins.
4 Thy neck *is* as a tower of ivory; thine eyes *like* the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of
Bath-rabbim: thy nose *is* as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.
5 Thine head upon thee *is* like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king *is*
held in the galleries.[†‡]
6 How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!
7 This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters *of grapes*.
8 I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy
breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;
9 And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth *down* sweetly,
causing the lips of those that are asleep to speak.[§**]
10 ¶ I *am* my beloved's, and his desire *is* toward me.
11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.
12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, *whether* the tender
grape appear, *and* the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves.[††]
13 The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates *are* all manner of pleasant *fruits*, new
and old, *which* I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.

8

1 O that thou *wert* as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! *when* I should
find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, I should not be despised.[*]
2 I would lead thee, *and* bring thee into my mother's house, *who* would instruct me: I
would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.
3 His left hand *should be* under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.
4 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, until he
please.[†]
5 Who *is* this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised
thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee
forth *that* bare thee.
6 ¶ Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love *is* strong as
death; jealousy *is* cruel as the grave: the coals thereof *are* coals of fire, *which hath a* most
vehement flame.[‡]
7 Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if *a* man would give
all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.
8 ¶ We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the
day when she shall be spoken for?
9 If she *be* a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she *be* a door, we will
inclose her with boards of cedar.
10 I *am* a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour.[§]
11 Solomon had a vineyard at Baal-hamon; he let out the vineyard unto keepers; every
one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand *pieces* of silver.
12 My vineyard, which *is* mine, *is* before me: thou, O Solomon, *must have* a thousand, and
those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.
13 Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to
hear *it*.

[†] **6:12** Or ever...: Heb. I knew not [‡] **6:12** made...: or, set me on the chariots of my willing people [§] **6:13** of...: or, of Mahanaim [*] **7:2** liquor: Heb. mixture [†] **7:5** Carmel: or, crimson [‡] **7:5** held: Heb. bound [§] **7:9** sweetly: Heb. straightly [**] **7:9** of those...: or, of the ancient [††] **7:12** appear: Heb. open [*] **8:1** I should not...: Heb. they should not despise me [†] **8:4** that...: Heb. why should ye stir up, or, why, etc [‡] **8:6** cruel: Heb. hard [§] **8:10** favour: Heb. peace

14 ¶ Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.**

** **8:14** Make...: Heb. Flee away

The Book of the Prophet Isaiah

1 The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in
the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah.
2 Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken, I have nourished and
brought up children, and they have rebelled against me.
3 The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: *but* Israel doth not know, my
people doth not consider.
4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are
corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto
anger, they are gone away backward.*†
5 ¶ Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head
is sick, and the whole heart faint.‡
6 From the sole of the foot even unto the head *there is* no soundness in it; *but* wounds,
and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither
mollified with ointment.§
7 Your country *is* desolate, your cities *are* burned with fire: your land, strangers devour
it in your presence, and *it is* desolate, as overthrown by strangers.**
8 And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of
cucumbers, as a besieged city.
9 Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been
as Sodom, *and* we should have been like unto Gomorrah.
10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye
people of Gomorrah.
11 To what purpose *is* the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full
of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of
bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats.††
12 When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my
courts?‡‡
13 Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons
and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; *it is* iniquity, even the solemn
meeting.§§
14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto
me; I am weary to bear *them*.
15 And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye
make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.***†††
16 ¶ Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes;
cease to do evil;
17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for
the widow.‡‡‡
18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.
19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:
20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the
LORD hath spoken *it*.
21 ¶ How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of judgment; righteousness
lodged in it; but now murderers.
22 Thy silver is become dross, thy wine mixed with water:
23 Thy princes *are* rebellious, and companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and
followeth after rewards: they judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow
come unto them.
24 Therefore saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease
me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies:

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* **1:4** laden: Heb. of heaviness † **1:4** gone...: Heb. alienated, or, separated ‡ **1:5** revolt...: Heb. increase revolt § **1:6** ointment: or, oil ** **1:7** overthrown...: Heb. the overthrow of †† **1:11** he goats: Heb. great he goats ‡‡ **1:12** to appear: Heb. to be seen §§ **1:13** iniquity: or, grief *** **1:15** make...: Heb. multiply prayer ††† **1:15** blood: Heb. bloods ‡‡‡ **1:17** relieve: or, righten

25 ¶[And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely purge away thy dross, and take away
all thy tin:§§§
26 And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning:
afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.
27 Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.*
28 ¶[And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners *shall be* together, and they
that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.†
29 For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which ye have desired, and ye shall be
confounded for the gardens that ye have chosen.
30 For ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.
31 And the strong shall be as tow, and the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn
together, and none shall quench *them*.‡

2

1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, *that* the mountain of the LORD's house shall be
established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations
shall flow unto it.*
3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the
LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk
in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall
beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not
lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.†
5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.
6 ¶[Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people the house of Jacob, because they be replen-
ished from the east, and *are* soothsayers like the Philistines, and they please themselves in
the children of strangers.‡§
7 Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither *is there any* end of their treasures; their
land is also full of horses, neither *is there any* end of their chariots:
8 Their land also is full of idols; they worship the work of their own hands, that which
their own fingers have made:
9 And the mean man boweth down, and the great man humbleth himself: therefore
forgive them not.
10 ¶[Enter into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory
of his majesty.
11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed
down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.
12 For the day of the LORD of hosts *shall be* upon every *one that is* proud and lofty, and
upon every *one that is* lifted up; and he shall be brought low:
13 And upon all the cedars of Lebanon, *that are* high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks
of Bashan,
14 And upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills *that are* lifted up,
15 And upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall,
16 And upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all pleasant pictures.**
17 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be
made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.
18 And the idols he shall utterly abolish.††
19 And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of
the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.‡‡
20 In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made
each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats;§§***
21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the
LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

§§§ **1:25** purely: Heb. according to pureness * **1:27** her...: or, they that return of her † **1:28** destruction: Heb. breaking ‡ **1:31** maker...: or, and his work * **2:2** established: or, prepared † **2:4** pruninghooks: or, scythes ‡ **2:6** from...: or, more than the § **2:6** please...: or, abound with the ** **2:16** pleasant...: Heb. pictures of desire †† **2:18** he...: or, shall utterly pass away ‡‡ **2:19** of the earth: Heb. of the dust §§ **2:20** his idols of silver...: Heb. the idols of his silver, etc *** **2:20** each...: or, for him

22 Cease ye from man, whose breath *is* in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted
of?

3

1 For, behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah
the stay and the staff, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water,
2 The mighty man, and the man of war, the judge, and the prophet, and the prudent, and
the ancient,
3 The captain of fifty, and the honourable man, and the counsellor, and the cunning
artificer, and the eloquent orator.*†
4 And I will give children *to be* their princes, and babes shall rule over them.
5 And the people shall be oppressed, every one by another, and every one by his
neighbour: the child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient, and the base against
the honourable.
6 When a man shall take hold of his brother of the house of his father, *saying*, Thou hast
clothing, be thou our ruler, and *let* this ruin *be* under thy hand:
7 In that day shall he swear, saying, I will not be an healer; for in my house *is* neither
bread nor clothing: make me not a ruler of the people.‡§
8 For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings *are*
against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of his glory.
9 ¶ The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their
sin as Sodom, they hide *it* not. Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto
themselves.
10 Say ye to the righteous, that *it shall be* well *with him:* for they shall eat the fruit of their
doings.
11 Woe unto the wicked! *it shall be* ill *with him:* for the reward of his hands shall be given
him.**
12 ¶ *As for* my people, children *are* their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my
people, they which lead thee cause *thee* to err, and destroy the way of thy paths.††‡‡
13 The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.
14 The LORD will enter into judgment with the ancients of his people, and the princes
thereof: for ye have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor *is* in your houses.§§
15 What mean ye *that* ye beat my people to pieces, and grind the faces of the poor? saith
the Lord GOD of hosts.
16 ¶ Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with
stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing *as* they go, and making a
tinkling with their feet:***†††
17 Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of
Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts.‡‡‡
18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of *their* tinkling ornaments *about their
feet*, and *their* cauls, and *their* round tires like the moon,§§§
19 The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers,*†
20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and
the earrings,‡
21 The rings, and nose jewels,
22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping
pins,
23 The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the vails.
24 And it shall come to pass, *that* instead of sweet smell there shall be stink; and instead of
a girdle a rent; and instead of well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding
of sackcloth; *and* burning instead of beauty.
25 Thy men shall fall by the sword, and thy mighty in the war.§

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* **3:3** the honourable...: Heb. a man eminent in countenance † **3:3** eloquent...: or, skilful of speech ‡ **3:7** swear: Heb. lift up the hand § **3:7** healer: Heb. binder up ** **3:11** given...: Heb. done to him †† **3:12** lead...: or, call thee blessed ‡‡ **3:12** destroy: Heb. swallow up §§ **3:14** eaten: or, burnt *** **3:16** wanton...: Heb. deceiving with their eyes ††† **3:16** mincing: or, tripping nicely ‡‡‡ **3:17** discover: Heb. make naked §§§ **3:18** cauls: or, networks * **3:19** chains: or, sweet balls † **3:19** mufflers: or, spangled ornaments ‡ **3:20** tablets: Heb. houses of the soul § **3:25** mighty: Heb. might

26 And her gates shall lament and mourn; and she *being* desolate shall sit upon the ground.**

4

1 And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, to take away our reproach.*†
2 In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth *shall be* excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.‡§
3 And it shall come to pass, *that he that is* left in Zion, and *he that* remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, *even* every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem:**
4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.
5 And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory *shall be* a defence.††‡‡
6 And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.

5

1 Now will I sing to my wellbeloved a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My wellbeloved hath a vineyard in a very fruitful hill:*
2 And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and also made a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.†‡
3 And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard.
4 What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes?
5 And now go to; I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up; *and* break down the wall thereof, and it shall be trodden down:§
6 And I will lay it waste: it shall not be pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up briers and thorns: I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.
7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts *is* the house of Israel, and the men of Judah his pleasant plant: and he looked for judgment, but behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.**††
8 ¶ Woe unto them that join house to house, *that* lay field to field, till *there be* no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth!‡‡
9 In mine ears *said* the LORD of hosts, Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, *even* great and fair, without inhabitant.§§***
10 Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath, and the seed of an homer shall yield an ephah.
11 ¶ Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, *that* they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, *till* wine inflame them!†††
12 And the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.
13 ¶ Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because *they have* no knowledge: and their honourable men *are* famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.‡‡‡
14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

** **3:26** desolate: or, emptied: Heb. cleansed * **4:1** let...: Heb. let thy name be called upon us † **4:1** to take...: or, take thou away ‡ **4:2** beautiful...: Heb. beauty and glory § **4:2** them...: Heb. the escaping ** **4:3** among...: or, to life †† **4:5** upon all: or, above all ‡‡ **4:5** defence: Heb. covering * **5:1** a very...: Heb. the horn of the son of oil † **5:2** fenced: or, made a wall about ‡ **5:2** made: Heb. hewed § **5:5** trodden...: Heb. for a treading ** **5:7** his...: Heb. plant of his pleasures †† **5:7** oppression: Heb. a scab ‡‡ **5:8** they: Heb. ye §§ **5:9** In...: or, This is in mine ears, saith the LORD, etc *** **5:9** Of a...: Heb. If not, etc ††† **5:11** inflame: of, pursue ‡‡‡ **5:13** honourable...: Heb. glory are men of famine

15 And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and
the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled:
16 But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and God that is holy shall be
sanctified in righteousness.§§§
17 Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste places of the fat ones shall
strangers eat.
18 Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart
rope:
19 That say, Let him make speed, *and* hasten his work, that we may see *it:* and let the
counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know *it*!
20 ¶ Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light
for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!*
21 Woe unto *them that are* wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!†
22 Woe unto *them that are* mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong
drink:
23 Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous
from him!
24 Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, *so*
their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have
cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.‡
25 Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, and he hath stretched
forth his hand against them, and hath smitten them: and the hills did tremble, and their
carcases *were* torn in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but
his hand *is* stretched out still.§
26 ¶ And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the
end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly:
27 None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither
shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:
28 Whose arrows *are* sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted
like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind:
29 Their roaring *shall be* like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea, they shall roar,
and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry *it* away safe, and none shall deliver *it*.
30 And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea: and if *one*
look unto the land, behold darkness *and* sorrow, and the light is darkened in the heavens
thereof.**††

6

1 In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and
lifted up, and his train filled the temple.*
2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face,
and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.
3 And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: the whole
earth *is* full of his glory.†‡
4 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled
with smoke.§
5 ¶ Then said I, Woe *is* me! for I am undone; because I *am* a man of unclean lips, and I
dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD
of hosts.**
6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, *which* he had
taken with the tongs from off the altar:††
7 And he laid *it* upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity
is taken away, and thy sin purged.‡‡

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§§§ **5:16** God...: or, the holy God: Heb. the God the holy * **5:20** call...: Heb. say concerning evil, It is good, etc † **5:21** in their own sight: Heb. before their face ‡ **5:24** fire: Heb. tongue of fire § **5:25** torn: or, as dung ** **5:30** sorrow: or, distress †† **5:30** and the light...: or, when it is light, it shall be dark in the destructions thereof * **6:1** his...: or, the skirts thereof † **6:3** one...: Heb. this cried to this ‡ **6:3** the whole...: Heb. his glory is the fulness of the whole earth § **6:4** door: Heb. thresholds ** **6:5** undone: Heb. cut off †† **6:6** having...: Heb. and in his hand a live coal ‡‡ **6:7** laid...: Heb. caused it to touch

8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?
Then said I, Here *am* I; send me.§§
9 ¶ And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye indeed, but understand not; and see ye
indeed, but perceive not.***
10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest
they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and
convert, and be healed.
11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without
inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be utterly desolate,†††
12 And the LORD have removed men far away, and *there be* a great forsaking in the midst
of the land.
13 ¶ But yet in it *shall be* a tenth, and *it* shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and
as an oak, whose substance *is* in them, when they cast *their leaves: so* the holy seed *shall
be* the substance thereof.‡‡‡§§§

7

1 And it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of
Judah, *that* Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up
toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it.
2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his
heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the
wind.*
3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and Shear-jashub thy
son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field;†‡
4 And say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, neither be fainthearted for the two
tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the son of
Remaliah.§
5 Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee,
saying,
6 Let us go up against Judah, and vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set
a king in the midst of it, *even* the son of Tabeal:**
7 Thus saith the Lord GOD, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.
8 For the head of Syria *is* Damascus, and the head of Damascus *is* Rezin; and within
threescore and five years shall Ephraim be broken, that it be not a people.††
9 And the head of Ephraim *is* Samaria, and the head of Samaria *is* Remaliah's son. If ye
will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.‡‡
10 ¶ Moreover the LORD spake again unto Ahaz, saying,§§
11 Ask thee a sign of the LORD thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above.***
12 But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD.
13 And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; *Is it* a small thing for you to weary men,
but will ye weary my God also?
14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and
bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.†††
15 Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.
16 For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land that
thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of both her kings.
17 ¶ The LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy father's house,
days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah; *even* the king of
Assyria.
18 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall hiss for the fly that *is* in the
uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that *is* in the land of Assyria.

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§§ **6:8** Here...: Heb. behold me *** **6:9** indeed, but understand: or, without ceasing, etc: Heb. in hearing, etc ††† **6:11** utterly...: Heb. desolate with desolation ‡‡‡ **6:13** and it...: or, when it is returned, and hath been broused §§§ **6:13** substance: or, stock, or, stem * **7:2** is confederate...: Heb. resteth on † **7:3** Shear-jashub: that is, The remnant shall return ‡ **7:3** highway: or, causeway § **7:4** neither...: Heb. let not thy heart be tender ** **7:6** vex: or, waken †† **7:8** that...: Heb. from a people ‡‡ **7:9** If...: or, Do ye not believe? it is because ye are not stable §§ **7:10** Moreover...: Heb. And the LORD added to speak *** **7:11** ask it...: or, make thy petition deep ††† **7:14** shall call: or, thou, O virgin, shalt call

19 And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes
of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all bushes.‡‡‡
20 In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired, *namely*, by them beyond
the river, by the king of Assyria, the head, and the hair of the feet: and it shall also consume
the beard.
21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* a man shall nourish a young cow, and two
sheep;
22 And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk *that* they shall give he shall eat
butter: for butter and honey shall every one eat that is left in the land.§§§
23 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* every place shall be, where there were a
thousand vines at a thousand silverlings, it shall *even* be for briers and thorns.
24 With arrows and with bows shall *men* come thither; because all the land shall become
briers and thorns.
25 And *on* all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the
fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading
of lesser cattle.

8

1 Moreover the LORD said unto me, Take thee a great roll, and write in it with a man's
pen concerning Maher-shalal-hash-baz.*
2 And I took unto me faithful witnesses to record, Uriah the priest, and Zechariah the son
of Jeberechiah.
3 And I went unto the prophetess; and she conceived, and bare a son. Then said the LORD
to me, Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz.†
4 For before the child shall have knowledge to cry, My father, and my mother, the riches
of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be taken away before the king of Assyria.‡
5 ¶ The LORD spake also unto me again, saying,
6 Forasmuch as this people refuseth the waters of Shiloah that go softly, and rejoice in
Rezin and Remaliah's son;
7 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong
and many, *even* the king of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his
channels, and go over all his banks:
8 And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach *even* to
the neck; and the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.§
9 ¶ Associate yourselves, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all
ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and
ye shall be broken in pieces.**
10 Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not
stand: for God *is* with us.
11 ¶ For the LORD spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should
not walk in the way of this people, saying,††
12 Say ye not, A confederacy, to all *them to* whom this people shall say, A confederacy;
neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid.
13 Sanctify the LORD of hosts himself; and *let* him *be* your fear, and *let* him *be* your dread.
14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence
to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
15 And many among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be
taken.
16 Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.
17 And I will wait upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Jacob, and I will
look for him.
18 Behold, I and the children whom the LORD hath given me *are* for signs and for wonders
in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth in mount Zion.
19 ¶ And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and
unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the
living to the dead?

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‡‡‡ **7:19** bushes: or, commendable trees §§§ **7:22** the land: Heb. the midst of the land * **8:1** Maher-shalal-hash-baz: Heb. In making speed to the spoil he hasteneth the prey, or, Make speed, etc † **8:3** went: Heb. approached ‡ **8:4** the riches...: or, he that is before the king of Assyria shall take away the riches, etc § **8:8** stretching...: Heb. fulness of the breadth of thy land shall be the stretchings out of his wings ** **8:9** people, and: or, people, yet †† **8:11** with...: Heb. in strength of hand

20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, *it is* because
there is no light in them.‡‡
21 And they shall pass through it, hardly bestead and hungry: and it shall come to pass,
that when they shall be hungry, they shall fret themselves, and curse their king and their
God, and look upward.
22 And they shall look unto the earth; and behold trouble and darkness, dimness of
anguish; and *they shall be* driven to darkness.

9

1 Nevertheless the dimness *shall* not *be* such as *was* in her vexation, when at the first
he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and afterward did more
grievously afflict *her by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee of the nations.*
2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land
of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.
3 Thou hast multiplied the nation, *and* not increased the joy: they joy before thee
according to the joy in harvest, *and* as *men* rejoice when they divide the spoil.†
4 For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his
oppressor, as in the day of Midian.‡
5 For every battle of the warrior *is* with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood;
but *this* shall be with burning *and* fuel of fire.§**††
6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon
his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The
everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
7 Of the increase of *his* government and peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of
David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice
from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.
8 ¶ The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.
9 And all the people shall know, *even* Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in
the pride and stoutness of heart,
10 The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycomores are cut
down, but we will change *them into* cedars.
11 Therefore the LORD shall set up the adversaries of Rezin against him, and join his
enemies together;‡‡
12 The Syrians before, and the Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel with open
mouth. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.§§
13 ¶ For the people turneth not unto him that smiteth them, neither do they seek the LORD
of hosts.
14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and rush, in one day.
15 The ancient and honourable, he *is* the head; and the prophet that teacheth lies, he *is*
the tail.
16 For the leaders of this people cause *them* to err; and *they that are* led of them *are*
destroyed.***†††‡‡‡
17 Therefore the Lord shall have no joy in their young men, neither shall have mercy
on their fatherless and widows: for every one *is* an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every
mouth speaketh folly. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched
out still.§§§
18 ¶ For wickedness burneth as the fire: it shall devour the briers and thorns, and shall
kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall mount up *like* the lifting up of smoke.
19 Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the people shall be
as the fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.*
20 And he shall snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand,
and they shall not be satisfied: they shall eat every man the flesh of his own arm:†
21 Manasseh, Ephraim; and Ephraim, Manasseh: *and* they together *shall be* against
Judah. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.

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‡‡ **8:20** no...: Heb. no morning * **9:1** of the nations: or, populous † **9:3** not: or, to him ‡ **9:4** For...: or, When thou brakest § **9:5** For...: or, When the whole battle of the warrior was, etc ** **9:5** but...: or, and it was, etc †† **9:5** fuel: Heb. meat ‡‡ **9:11** join: Heb. mingle §§ **9:12** open: Heb. whole *** **9:16** the leaders: or, they that call them blessed ††† **9:16** led of: or, called blessed of ‡‡‡ **9:16** destroyed: Heb. swallowed up §§§ **9:17** folly: or, villany * **9:19** fuel: Heb. meat † **9:20** snatch: Heb cut

10

1 Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and that write grievousness *which*
they have prescribed;*
2 To turn aside the needy from judgment, and to take away the right from the poor of my
people, that widows may be their prey, and *that* they may rob the fatherless!
3 And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation *which* shall come from
far? to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye leave your glory?
4 Without me they shall bow down under the prisoners, and they shall fall under the
slain. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.
5 ¶ O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.†‡
6 I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will
I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the
mire of the streets.§
7 Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so; but *it is* in his heart to
destroy and cut off nations not a few.
8 For he saith, *Are* not my princes altogether kings?
9 *Is* not Calno as Carchemish? *is* not Hamath as Arpad? *is* not Samaria as Damascus?
10 As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the idols, and whose graven images did excel
them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;
11 Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols?
12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, *that* when the Lord hath performed his whole work
upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of
Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.**††
13 For he saith, By the strength of my hand I have done *it*, and by my wisdom; for I am
prudent: and I have removed the bounds of the people, and have robbed their treasures,
and I have put down the inhabitants like a valiant *man:*‡‡
14 And my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs
that are left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or
opened the mouth, or peeped.
15 Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith? *or* shall the saw magnify
itself against him that shaketh it? as if the rod should shake *itself* against them that lift it
up, *or* as if the staff should lift up *itself, as if it were* no wood.§§***
16 Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and
under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.
17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn
and devour his thorns and his briers in one day;
18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both soul and body:
and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.†††
19 And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a child may write them.‡‡‡
20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the remnant of Israel, and such as are
escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but
shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.
21 The remnant shall return, *even* the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God.
22 For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, *yet* a remnant of them shall
return: the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness.§§§*
23 For the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined, in the midst of
all the land.
24 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not
afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, and shall lift up his staff against thee,
after the manner of Egypt.†
25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their
destruction.

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* **10:1** that write...: or, to the writers that write grievousness † **10:5** O...: or, Woe to the Assyrian: Heb. Asshur ‡ **10:5** and: or, though § **10:6** tread...: Heb. lay them a treading ** **10:12** punish: Heb. visit upon †† **10:12** stout...: Heb. greatness of the heart ‡‡ **10:13** a valiant...: or, many people §§ **10:15** the rod...: or, a rod should shake them that lift it up *** **10:15** itself, as if...: or, that which is not wood ††† **10:18** both...: Heb. from the soul, and even to the flesh ‡‡‡ **10:19** few: Heb. number §§§ **10:22** of them: Heb. in, or, among, etc * **10:22** with: or, in † **10:24** and shall...: or, but he shall lift up his staff for

26 And the LORD of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him according to the slaughter of
Midian at the rock of Oreb: and *as* his rod *was* upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the
manner of Egypt.
27 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* his burden shall be taken away from off thy
shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the
anointing.‡
28 He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron; at Michmash he hath laid up his carriages:
29 They are gone over the passage: they have taken up their lodging at Geba; Ramah is
afraid; Gibeah of Saul is fled.
30 Lift up thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard unto Laish, O poor
Anathoth.§
31 Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves to flee.
32 As yet shall he remain at Nob that day: he shall shake his hand *against* the mount of
the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.
33 Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones
of stature *shall be* hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.
34 And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall by a
mighty one.**

11

1 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out
of his roots:
2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;
3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not
judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:*
4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek
of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of
his lips shall he slay the wicked.†
5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.
6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid;
and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.
7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the
lion shall eat straw like the ox.
8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put
his hand on the cockatrice' den.‡
9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of
the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.
10 ¶ And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the
people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.§
11 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the Lord shall set his hand again the second
time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from
Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from
Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.
12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel,
and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.**
13 The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off:
Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.
14 But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil
them of the east together: they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children
of Ammon shall obey them.††‡‡§§
15 And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty
wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and
make *men* go over dryshod.***

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‡ **10:27** be taken...: Heb. remove § **10:30** Lift...: Heb. Cry shrill with ** **10:34** by...: or, mightily * **11:3** quick...: Heb. scent or, smell † **11:4** reprove: or, argue ‡ **11:8** cockatrice': or, adder's § **11:10** glorious: Heb. glory ** **11:12** corners: Heb. wings †† **11:14** them of: Heb. the children of ‡‡ **11:14** they shall lay...: Heb. Edom and Moab shall be the laying on of their hand §§ **11:14** shall obey...: Heb. their obedience *** **11:15** dryshod: Heb. in shoes

16 And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from
Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.

12

1 And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with
me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.
2 Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH *is*
my strength and *my* song; he also is become my salvation.
3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.
4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings
among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.*
5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this *is* known in all the earth.
6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great *is* the Holy One of Israel in the
midst of thee.†

13

1 The burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.
2 Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand,
that they may go into the gates of the nobles.
3 I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty ones for mine
anger, *even* them that rejoice in my highness.
4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise
of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the
battle.*
5 They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, *even* the LORD, and the weapons
of his indignation, to destroy the whole land.
6 ¶ Howl ye; for the day of the LORD *is* at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the
Almighty.
7 Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt:†
8 And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in
pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces *shall be*
as flames.‡§**
9 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the
land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.
10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun
shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.
11 And I will punish the world for *their* evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will
cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.
12 I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of
Ophir.
13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the
wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.
14 And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every
man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.
15 Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined *unto them*
shall fall by the sword.
16 Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be
spoiled, and their wives ravished.
17 Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and *as for*
gold, they shall not delight in it.
18 *Their* bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the
fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children.
19 ¶ And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be
as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.††
20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation:
neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold
there.

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* **12:4** call...: or, proclaim † **12:6** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress * **13:4** like...: Heb. the likeness of † **13:7** be faint: or, fall down ‡ **13:8** be amazed: Heb. wonder § **13:8** one...: Heb. every man at his neighbour ** **13:8** flames: Heb. faces of the flames †† **13:19** as...: Heb. as the overthrowing

21 But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of doleful
creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there.‡‡§§***
22 And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and dragons
in *their* pleasant palaces: and her time *is* near to come, and her days shall not be
prolonged.†††‡‡‡

14

1 For the LORD will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and set them in their
own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house
of Jacob.
2 And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel
shall possess them in the land of the LORD for servants and handmaids: and they shall take
them captives, whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors.*
3 And it shall come to pass in the day that the LORD shall give thee rest from thy sorrow,
and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,
4 ¶ That thou shalt take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath
the oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased!†‡
5 The LORD hath broken the staff of the wicked, *and* the sceptre of the rulers.
6 He who smote the people in wrath with a continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in
anger, is persecuted, *and* none hindereth. §
7 The whole earth is at rest, *and* is quiet: they break forth into singing.
8 Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, *and* the cedars of Lebanon, *saying*, Since thou art laid
down, no feller is come up against us.
9 Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet *thee* at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead
for thee, *even* all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the
kings of the nations.**††
10 All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou
become like unto us?
11 Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, *and* the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread
under thee, and the worms cover thee.
12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down
to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!‡‡
13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above
the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:
14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.
15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.
16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, *and* consider thee, *saying, Is* this the
man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;
17 *That* made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; *that* opened not
the house of his prisoners?§§
18 All the kings of the nations, *even* all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house.
19 But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, *and as* the raiment of
those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a
carcase trodden under feet.
20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land,
and slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.
21 Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise,
nor possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities.
22 For I will rise up against them, saith the LORD of hosts, and cut off from Babylon the
name, and remnant, and son, and nephew, saith the LORD.
23 I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it
with the besom of destruction, saith the LORD of hosts.
24 ¶ The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to
pass; and as I have purposed, *so* shall it stand:

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‡‡ **13:21** wild...: Heb. Ziim §§ **13:21** doleful...: Heb. Ochim *** **13:21** owls: or, ostriches: Heb. daughters of the owl ††† **13:22** the wild...: Heb. Iim ‡‡‡ **13:22** desolate...: or, palaces * **14:2** whose...: Heb. that had taken them captives † **14:4** proverb: or, taunting speech ‡ **14:4** golden...: or, exactress of gold § **14:6** a continual...: Heb. a stroke without removing ** **14:9** Hell: or, The grave †† **14:9** chief...: Heb. leaders, or, great goats ‡‡ **14:12** O Lucifer: or, O day star §§ **14:17** opened...: or, did not let his prisoners loose homeward?

25 That I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under
foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their
shoulders.
26 This *is* the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and this *is* the hand that is
stretched out upon all the nations.
27 For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul *it*? and his hand *is*
stretched out, and who shall turn it back?
28 In the year that king Ahaz died was this burden.
29 ¶ Rejoice not thou, whole Palestina, because the rod of him that smote thee is broken:
for out of the serpent's root shall come forth a cockatrice, and his fruit *shall be* a fiery flying
serpent.***
30 And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I
will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.
31 Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestina, *art* dissolved: for there shall come from
the north a smoke, and none *shall be* alone in his appointed times.†††‡‡‡
32 What shall *one* then answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD hath
founded Zion, and the poor of his people shall trust in it.§§§

15

1 The burden of Moab. Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, *and* brought to
silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, *and* brought to silence;*
2 He is gone up to Bajith, and to Dibon, the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl over
Nebo, and over Medeba: on all their heads *shall be* baldness, *and* every beard cut off.
3 In their streets they shall gird themselves with sackcloth: on the tops of their houses,
and in their streets, every one shall howl, weeping abundantly.†
4 And Heshbon shall cry, and Elealeh: their voice shall be heard *even* unto Jahaz:
therefore the armed soldiers of Moab shall cry out; his life shall be grievous unto him.
5 My heart shall cry out for Moab; his fugitives *shall flee* unto Zoar, an heifer of three
years old: for by the mounting up of Luhith with weeping shall they go it up; for in the way
of Horonaim they shall raise up a cry of destruction.‡§
6 For the waters of Nimrim shall be desolate: for the hay is withered away, the grass
faileth, there is no green thing.**
7 Therefore the abundance they have gotten, and that which they have laid up, shall they
carry away to the brook of the willows.††
8 For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab; the howling thereof unto Eglaim,
and the howling thereof unto Beer-elim.
9 For the waters of Dimon shall be full of blood: for I will bring more upon Dimon, lions
upon him that escapeth of Moab, and upon the remnant of the land.‡‡

16

1 Send ye the lamb to the ruler of the land from Sela to the wilderness, unto the mount of
the daughter of Zion.*
2 For it shall be, *that*, as a wandering bird cast out of the nest, *so* the daughters of Moab
shall be at the fords of Arnon.†
3 Take counsel, execute judgment; make thy shadow as the night in the midst of the
noonday; hide the outcasts; bewray not him that wandereth.‡
4 Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab; be thou a covert to them from the face of the
spoiler: for the extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the oppressors are consumed
out of the land.§**
5 And in mercy shall the throne be established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the
tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and hasting righteousness.††
6 ¶ We have heard of the pride of Moab; *he is* very proud: *even* of his haughtiness, and
his pride, and his wrath: *but* his lies *shall* not *be* so.

*** **14:29** cockatrice: or, adder ††† **14:31** none...: or, he shall not be alone ‡‡‡ **14:31** appointed...: or, assemblies §§§ **14:32** trust...: or, betake themselves unto it * **15:1** brought...: or, cut off † **15:3** weeping...: Heb. descending into weeping, or, coming down with weeping ‡ **15:5** his...: or, to the borders thereof, even to Zoar, as an heifer § **15:5** destruction: Heb. breaking ** **15:6** desolate: Heb. desolations †† **15:7** brook...: or, valley of the Arabians ‡‡ **15:9** more: Heb. additions * **16:1** Sela: or, Petra: Heb. A rock † **16:2** cast...: or, a nest forsaken ‡ **16:3** Take: Heb. Bring § **16:4** extortioner: Heb. wringer ** **16:4** the oppressors: Heb. the treaders down †† **16:5** established: or, prepared

7 Therefore shall Moab howl for Moab, every one shall howl: for the foundations of Kir-
hareseth shall ye mourn; surely *they are* stricken.‡‡
8 For the fields of Heshbon languish, *and* the vine of Sibmah: the lords of the heathen
have broken down the principal plants thereof, they are come *even* unto Jazer, they
wandered *through* the wilderness: her branches are stretched out, they are gone over the
sea.§§
9 ¶ Therefore I will bewail with the weeping of Jazer the vine of Sibmah: I will water thee
with my tears, O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for the shouting for thy summer fruits and for thy
harvest is fallen.***
10 And gladness is taken away, and joy out of the plentiful field; and in the vineyards there
shall be no singing, neither shall there be shouting: the treaders shall tread out no wine in
their presses; I have made *their vintage* shouting to cease.
11 Wherefore my bowels shall sound like an harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for
Kir-haresh.
12 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when it is seen that Moab is weary on the high place, that
he shall come to his sanctuary to pray; but he shall not prevail.
13 This *is* the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since that time.
14 But now the LORD hath spoken, saying, Within three years, as the years of an hireling,
and the glory of Moab shall be contemned, with all that great multitude; and the remnant
shall be very small *and* feeble.†††

17

1 The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from *being* a city, and it shall
be a ruinous heap.
2 The cities of Aroer *are* forsaken: they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down, and none
shall make *them* afraid.
3 The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the
remnant of Syria: they shall be as the glory of the children of Israel, saith the LORD of hosts.
4 And in that day it shall come to pass, *that* the glory of Jacob shall be made thin, and the
fatness of his flesh shall wax lean.
5 And it shall be as when the harvestman gathereth the corn, and reapeth the ears with
his arm; and it shall be as he that gathereth ears in the valley of Rephaim.
6 ¶ Yet gleaning grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an olive tree, two *or* three
berries in the top of the uppermost bough, four *or* five in the outmost fruitful branches
thereof, saith the LORD God of Israel.
7 At that day shall a man look to his Maker, and his eyes shall have respect to the Holy
One of Israel.
8 And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands, neither shall respect *that*
which his fingers have made, either the groves, or the images.*
9 ¶ In that day shall his strong cities be as a forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch,
which they left because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation.
10 Because thou hast forgotten the God of thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the
rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange
slips:
11 In the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy
seed to flourish: *but* the harvest *shall be* a heap in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow.†
12 ¶ Woe to the multitude of many people, *which* make a noise like the noise of the seas;
and to the rushing of nations, *that* make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters!‡§
13 The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but *God* shall rebuke them, and
they shall flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before the wind,
and like a rolling thing before the whirlwind.**
14 And behold at eveningtide trouble; *and* before the morning he *is* not. This *is* the
portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that rob us.

18

1 Woe to the land shadowing with wings, which *is* beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

‡‡ **16:7** mourn: or, mutter §§ **16:8** stretched...: or, plucked up *** **16:9** the shouting...: or, the alarm is fallen upon, etc ††† **16:14** feeble: or, not many * **17:8** images: or, sun images † **17:11** a heap...: or, removed in the day of inheritance, and there shall be deadly sorrow ‡ **17:12** multitude: or, noise § **17:12** mighty: or, many ** **17:13** a rolling...: or, thistledown

2 That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters,
saying, Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation scattered and peeled, to a people terrible from
their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden down, whose land the rivers
have spoiled!*†‡
3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an
ensign on the mountains; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.
4 For so the LORD said unto me, I will take my rest, and I will consider in my dwelling
place like a clear heat upon herbs, *and* like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest.§**
5 For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the
flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with pruning hooks, and take away *and* cut down
the branches.
6 They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and to the beasts of the
earth: and the fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter
upon them.
7 ¶ In that time shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts of a people scattered
and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out
and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the
LORD of hosts, the mount Zion.††

19

1 The burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into
Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall
melt in the midst of it.
2 And I will set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight every one against
his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, *and* kingdom against
kingdom.*
3 And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will destroy the counsel
thereof: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have
familiar spirits, and to the wizards.†‡
4 And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall
rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.§
5 And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and dried up.
6 And they shall turn the rivers far away; *and* the brooks of defence shall be emptied and
dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.
7 The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and every thing sown by
the brooks, shall wither, be driven away, and be no *more*.**
8 The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into the brooks shall lament,
and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish.
9 Moreover they that work in fine flax, and they that weave networks, shall be con-
founded.††
10 And they shall be broken in the purposes thereof, all that make sluices *and* ponds for
fish.‡‡§§
11 ¶ Surely the princes of Zoan *are* fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh
is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I *am* the son of the wise, the son of ancient
kings?
12 Where *are* they? where *are* thy wise *men*? and let them tell thee now, and let them
know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.
13 The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph are deceived; they have also
seduced Egypt, *even they that are* the stay of the tribes thereof.***
14 The LORD hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused
Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.†††
15 Neither shall there be *any* work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may
do.

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* **18:2** scattered...: or, outspread and polished † **18:2** meted...: or, that meteth out and treadeth down: Heb. of line, line, and treading under foot ‡ **18:2** have...: or, despise § **18:4** consider...: or, regard my set dwelling ** **18:4** upon...: or, after rain †† **18:7** scattered...: or, outspread and polished * **19:2** set: Heb. mingle † **19:3** fail: Heb. be emptied ‡ **19:3** destroy: Heb. swallow up § **19:4** give...: or, shut up ** **19:7** and be...: Heb. and shall not be †† **19:9** networks: or, white works ‡‡ **19:10** purposes: Heb. foundations §§ **19:10** for fish: Heb. of living things *** **19:13** they that...: or, governors: Heb. corners ††† **19:14** a perverse...: Heb. a spirit of perversities

16 In that day shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of
the shaking of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.
17 And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention
thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he
hath determined against it.
18 ¶ In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the language of Canaan, and
swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of destruction.‡‡‡§§§
19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a
pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.
20 And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt:
for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a
saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them.
21 And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in
that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and
perform *it*.
22 And the LORD shall smite Egypt: he shall smite and heal *it:* and they shall return *even*
to the LORD, and he shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them.
23 ¶ In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall
come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the
Assyrians.
24 In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, *even* a blessing in the
midst of the land:
25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed *be* Egypt my people, and Assyria
the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.

20

1 In the year that Tartan came unto Ashdod, (when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him,)
and fought against Ashdod, and took it;
2 At the same time spake the LORD by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose the
sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking
naked and barefoot.*
3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three
years *for* a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;
4 So shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians
captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with *their* buttocks uncovered, to the
shame of Egypt.†‡
5 And they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their
glory.
6 And the inhabitant of this isle shall say in that day, Behold, such *is* our expectation,
whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we
escape?§

21

1 The burden of the desert of the sea. As whirlwinds in the south pass through; *so* it
cometh from the desert, from a terrible land.
2 A grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously,
and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I
made to cease.*
3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs
of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing *of it;* I was dismayed at the
seeing *of it*.
4 My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the night of my pleasure hath he turned
into fear unto me.†‡
5 Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, *and* anoint the
shield.
6 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth.

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‡‡‡ **19:18** the language: Heb. the lip §§§ **19:18** of destruction: or, of Heres, or, of the sun * **20:2** by: Heb. by the hand of † **20:4** the Egyptians...: Heb. the captivity of Egypt ‡ **20:4** shame: Heb. nakedness § **20:6** isle: or, country * **21:2** grievous: Heb. hard † **21:4** heart...: or, mind wandered ‡ **21:4** turned: Heb. put

7 And he saw a chariot *with* a couple of horsemen, a chariot of asses, *and* a chariot of
camels; and he hearkened diligently with much heed:
8 And he cried, A lion: My lord, I stand continually upon the watchtower in the daytime,
and I am set in my ward whole nights:§**
9 And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, *with* a couple of horsemen. And he
answered and said, Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all the graven images of her gods he
hath broken unto the ground.
10 O my threshing, and the corn of my floor: that which I have heard of the LORD of hosts,
the God of Israel, have I declared unto you.††
11 ¶ The burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night?
Watchman, what of the night?
12 The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will enquire,
enquire ye: return, come.
13 ¶ The burden upon Arabia. In the forest in Arabia shall ye lodge, O ye travelling
companies of Dedanim.
14 The inhabitants of the land of Tema brought water to him that was thirsty, they
prevented with their bread him that fled.‡‡
15 For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and
from the grievousness of war.§§
16 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Within a year, according to the years of an
hireling, and all the glory of Kedar shall fail:
17 And the residue of the number of archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar,
shall be diminished: for the LORD God of Israel hath spoken *it*.***

22

1 The burden of the valley of vision. What aileth thee now, that thou art wholly gone up
to the housetops?
2 Thou that art full of stirs, a tumultuous city, a joyous city: thy slain *men are* not slain
with the sword, nor dead in battle.
3 All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound by the archers: all that are found in thee
are bound together, *which* have fled from far.*
4 Therefore said I, Look away from me; I will weep bitterly, labour not to comfort me,
because of the spoiling of the daughter of my people.†
5 For *it is* a day of trouble, and of treading down, and of perplexity by the Lord GOD of
hosts in the valley of vision, breaking down the walls, and of crying to the mountains.
6 And Elam bare the quiver with chariots of men *and* horsemen, and Kir uncovered the
shield.‡
7 And it shall come to pass, *that* thy choicest valleys shall be full of chariots, and the
horsemen shall set themselves in array at the gate.§**
8 ¶ And he discovered the covering of Judah, and thou didst look in that day to the armour
of the house of the forest.
9 Ye have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they are many: and ye gathered
together the waters of the lower pool.
10 And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses have ye broken down
to fortify the wall.
11 Ye made also a ditch between the two walls for the water of the old pool: but ye have
not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had respect unto him that fashioned it long ago.
12 And in that day did the Lord GOD of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to
baldness, and to girding with sackcloth:
13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and
drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.
14 And it was revealed in mine ears by the LORD of hosts, Surely this iniquity shall not be
purged from you till ye die, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.
15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, Go, get thee unto this treasurer, *even* unto Shebna,
which *is* over the house, *and say*,

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§ **21:8** he...: or, cried as a lion ** **21:8** whole...: or, every night †† **21:10** corn: Heb. son ‡‡ **21:14** brought: or, bring ye §§ **21:15** from the swords: or, for fear, etc: Heb. from the face, etc *** **21:17** archers: Heb. bows * **22:3** by...: Heb. of the bow † **22:4** weep...: Heb. be bitter in weeping ‡ **22:6** uncovered: Heb. made naked § **22:7** thy...: Heb. the choice of thy valleys ** **22:7** at: or, toward

16 What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out
a sepulchre here, *as* he that heweth him out a sepulchre on high, *and* that graveth an
habitation for himself in a rock?††
17 Behold, the LORD will carry thee away with a mighty captivity, and will surely cover
thee.‡‡§§
18 He will surely violently turn and toss thee *like* a ball into a large country: there shalt
thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory *shall be* the shame of thy lord's house.***
19 And I will drive thee from thy station, and from thy state shall he pull thee down.
20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will call my servant Eliakim the son of
Hilkiah:
21 And I will clothe him with thy robe, and strengthen him with thy girdle, and I will
commit thy government into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of
Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah.
22 And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and
none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.
23 And I will fasten him *as* a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for a glorious throne to
his father's house.
24 And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and
the issue, all vessels of small quantity, from the vessels of cups, even to all the vessels of
flagons.†††
25 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be
removed, and be cut down, and fall; and the burden that *was* upon it shall be cut off: for
the LORD hath spoken *it*.

23

1 The burden of Tyre. Howl, ye ships of Tarshish; for it is laid waste, so that there is no
house, no entering in: from the land of Chittim it is revealed to them.
2 Be still, ye inhabitants of the isle; thou whom the merchants of Zidon, that pass over the
sea, have replenished.*
3 And by great waters the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the river, *is* her revenue; and she
is a mart of nations.
4 Be thou ashamed, O Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, *even* the strength of the sea, saying,
I travail not, nor bring forth children, neither do I nourish up young men, *nor* bring up
virgins.
5 As at the report concerning Egypt, *so* shall they be sorely pained at the report of Tyre.
6 Pass ye over to Tarshish; howl, ye inhabitants of the isle.
7 *Is* this your joyous *city*, whose antiquity *is* of ancient days? her own feet shall carry her
afar off to sojourn.†
8 Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, the crowning *city*, whose merchants *are*
princes, whose traffickers *are* the honourable of the earth?
9 The LORD of hosts hath purposed it, to stain the pride of all glory, *and* to bring into
contempt all the honourable of the earth.‡
10 Pass through thy land as a river, O daughter of Tarshish: *there is* no more strength.§
11 He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms: the LORD hath given
a commandment against the merchant *city*, to destroy the strong holds thereof.**††‡‡
12 And he said, Thou shalt no more rejoice, O thou oppressed virgin, daughter of Zidon:
arise, pass over to Chittim; there also shalt thou have no rest.
13 Behold the land of the Chaldeans; this people was not, *till* the Assyrian founded it for
them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces
thereof; *and* he brought it to ruin.
14 Howl, ye ships of Tarshish: for your strength is laid waste.
15 And it shall come to pass in that day, that Tyre shall be forgotten seventy years,
according to the days of one king: after the end of seventy years shall Tyre sing as an
harlot.§§

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†† **22:16** as...: or, O he ‡‡ **22:17** will carry...: or, who covered thee with an excellent covering, and clothed thee gorgeously, (next verse) shall surely, etc §§ **22:17** a mighty...: Heb. the captivity of a man *** **22:18** large: Heb. large of spaces ††† **22:24** vessels of flagons: or, instruments of viols * **23:2** still: Heb. silent † **23:7** afar...: Heb. from afar off ‡ **23:9** to stain: Heb. to pollute § **23:10** strength: Heb. girdle ** **23:11** against...: or, concerning a merchantman †† **23:11** the merchant city: Heb. Canaan ‡‡ **23:11** strong...: or, strengths §§ **23:15** shall Tyre...: Heb. it shall be unto Tyre as the song of an harlot

16 Take an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been forgotten; make sweet
melody, sing many songs, that thou mayest be remembered.
17 ¶ And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that the LORD will visit Tyre,
and she shall turn to her hire, and shall commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the
world upon the face of the earth.
18 And her merchandise and her hire shall be holiness to the LORD: it shall not be
treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before the LORD,
to eat sufficiently, and for durable clothing.***

24

1 Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside
down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.*
2 And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his
master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with
the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to
him.†
3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this
word.
4 The earth mourneth *and* fadeth away, the world languisheth *and* fadeth away, the
haughty people of the earth do languish.‡
5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed
the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.
6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate:
therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.
7 The new wine mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merryhearted do sigh.
8 The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp
ceaseth.
9 They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it.
10 The city of confusion is broken down: every house is shut up, that no man may come
in.
11 *There is* a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is
gone.
12 In the city is left desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction.
13 ¶ When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people, *there shall be* as the
shaking of an olive tree, *and* as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.
14 They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the LORD, they shall cry
aloud from the sea.
15 Wherefore glorify ye the LORD in the fires, *even* the name of the LORD God of Israel in
the isles of the sea.§
16 ¶ From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, *even* glory to the righteous.
But I said, My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the treacherous dealers have dealt
treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.**††
17 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, *are* upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth.
18 And it shall come to pass, *that* he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into
the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the
windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.
19 The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved
exceedingly.
20 The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and
the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.
21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall punish the host of the high
ones *that are* on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.‡‡
22 And they shall be gathered together, *as* prisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be
shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be visited.§§***†††

*** **23:18** durable: Heb. old * **24:1** turneth...: Heb. perverteth the face thereof † **24:2** priest: or, prince ‡ **24:4** the haughty...: Heb. the height of the people § **24:15** fires: or, valleys ** **24:16** uttermost...: Heb. wing †† **24:16** My leanness: Heb. Leanness to me, or, My secret to me ‡‡ **24:21** punish: Heb. visit upon §§ **24:22** as prisoners...: Heb. with the gathering of prisoners *** **24:22** pit: or, dungeon ††† **24:22** visited: or, found wanting

23 Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts
shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.‡‡‡

25

1 O LORD, thou *art* my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done
wonderful *things; thy* counsels of old *are* faithfulness *and* truth.
2 For thou hast made of a city an heap; *of* a defenced city a ruin: a palace of strangers to
be no city; it shall never be built.
3 Therefore shall the strong people glorify thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear
thee.
4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge
from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones *is* as a storm
against the wall.
5 Thou shalt bring down the noise of strangers, as the heat in a dry place; *even* the heat
with the shadow of a cloud: the branch of the terrible ones shall be brought low.
6 ¶ And in this mountain shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things,
a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.
7 And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and
the vail that is spread over all nations.*†
8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all
faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD
hath spoken *it*.
9 ¶ And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this *is* our God; we have waited for him, and he
will save us: this *is* the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his
salvation.
10 For in this mountain shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be trodden down
under him, even as straw is trodden down for the dunghill.‡§
11 And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth
spreadeth forth *his hands* to swim: and he shall bring down their pride together with the
spoils of their hands.
12 And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring down, lay low, *and* bring to
the ground, *even* to the dust.

26

1 In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation
will *God* appoint *for* walls and bulwarks.
2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.*
3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind *is* stayed *on thee:* because he trusteth
in thee.†‡
4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH *is* everlasting strength:§
5 ¶ For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth
it low, *even* to the ground; he bringeth it *even* to the dust.
6 The foot shall tread it down, *even* the feet of the poor, *and* the steps of the needy.
7 The way of the just *is* uprightness: thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.
8 Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for thee; the desire of *our*
soul *is* to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.
9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek
thee early: for when thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn
righteousness.
10 Let favour be shewed to the wicked, *yet* will he not learn righteousness: in the land of
uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.
11 LORD, *when* thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: *but* they shall see, and be ashamed
for *their* envy at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.**
12 ¶ LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works in us.††
13 O LORD our God, *other* lords beside thee have had dominion over us: *but* by thee only
will we make mention of thy name.

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‡‡‡ **24:23** before...: or, there shall be glory before his ancients * **25:7** destroy: Heb. swallow up † **25:7** cast: Heb. covered ‡ **25:10** trodden down under: or, threshed, etc § **25:10** trodden down for...: or, threshed in Madmenah * **26:2** truth: Heb. truths † **26:3** perfect...: Heb. peace, peace ‡ **26:3** mind: or, thought, or, imagination § **26:4** everlasting...: Heb. the rock of ages ** **26:11** at...: or, toward thy people †† **26:12** in us: or, for us

14 *They are* dead, they shall not live; *they are* deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast
thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.
15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, thou hast increased the nation: thou art
glorified: thou hadst removed *it* far *unto* all the ends of the earth.
16 LORD, in trouble have they visited thee, they poured out a prayer *when* thy chastening
was upon them.‡‡
17 Like as a woman with child, *that* draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, *and*
crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O LORD.
18 We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind;
we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the
world fallen.
19 Thy dead *men* shall live, *together with* my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing,
ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew *is as* the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the
dead.
20 ¶ Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide
thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.
21 For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for
their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.§§

27

1 In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan
the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that
is in the sea.*
2 In that day sing ye unto her, A vineyard of red wine.
3 I the LORD do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest *any* hurt it, I will keep it night
and day.
4 Fury *is* not in me: who would set the briers *and* thorns against me in battle? I would go
through them, I would burn them together.†
5 Or let him take hold of my strength, *that* he may make peace with me; *and* he shall make
peace with me.
6 He shall cause them that come of Jacob to take root: Israel shall blossom and bud, and
fill the face of the world with fruit.
7 ¶ Hath he smitten him, as he smote those that smote him? *or* is he slain according to
the slaughter of them that are slain by him?‡
8 In measure, when it shooteth forth, thou wilt debate with it: he stayeth his rough wind
in the day of the east wind.§**
9 By this therefore shall the iniquity of Jacob be purged; and this *is* all the fruit to take
away his sin; when he maketh all the stones of the altar as chalkstones that are beaten in
sunder, the groves and images shall not stand up.††
10 Yet the defenced city *shall be* desolate, *and* the habitation forsaken, and left like
a wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down, and consume the
branches thereof.
11 When the boughs thereof are withered, they shall be broken off: the women come, *and*
set them on fire: for it *is* a people of no understanding: therefore he that made them will
not have mercy on them, and he that formed them will shew them no favour.
12 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall beat off from the channel
of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of
Israel.
13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the great trumpet shall be blown, and they
shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land
of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

28

1 Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty *is* a
fading flower, which *are* on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with
wine!*

‡‡ **26:16** prayer: Heb. secret speech §§ **26:21** blood: Heb. bloods * **27:1** piercing: or, crossing like a bar † **27:4** go...: or, march against ‡ **27:7** as...: Heb. according to the stroke of § **27:8** it shooteth...: or, thou sendest it forth ** **27:8** he...: or, when he removeth it with †† **27:9** images: or, sun images * **28:1** overcome: Heb. broken

2 Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, *which* as a tempest of hail *and* a
destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth
with the hand.
3 The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet:†
4 And the glorious beauty, which *is* on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flower,
and as the hasty fruit before the summer; which *when* he that looketh upon it seeth, while
it is yet in his hand he eateth it up.‡
5 ¶ In that day shall the LORD of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty,
unto the residue of his people,
6 And for a spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength to them
that turn the battle to the gate.
7 ¶ But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way;
the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine,
they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble *in* judgment.
8 For all tables are full of vomit *and* filthiness, *so that there is* no place *clean*.
9 ¶ Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine?
them that are weaned from the milk, *and* drawn from the breasts.§
10 For precept *must be* upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line;
here a little, *and* there a little:**
11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.††‡‡
12 To whom he said, This *is* the rest *wherewith* ye may cause the weary to rest; and this *is*
the refreshing: yet they would not hear.
13 But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept;
line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little; that they might go, and fall
backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.
14 ¶ Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, ye scornful men, that rule this people which
is in Jerusalem.
15 Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at
agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us:
for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:
16 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a
tried stone, a precious corner *stone*, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make
haste.
17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail
shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.
18 ¶ And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell
shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden
down by it.§§
19 From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass
over, by day and by night: and it shall be a vexation only *to* understand the report.***
20 For the bed is shorter than that *a man* can stretch himself *on it:* and the covering
narrower than that he can wrap himself *in it*.
21 For the LORD shall rise up as *in* mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as *in* the valley of
Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange
act.
22 Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong: for I have heard
from the Lord GOD of hosts a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth.
23 ¶ Give ye ear, and hear my voice; hearken, and hear my speech.
24 Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of his
ground?
25 When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and
scatter the cummin, and cast in the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the rie
in their place?†††‡‡‡§§§
26 For his God doth instruct him to discretion, *and* doth teach him.*

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† **28:3** under...: Heb. with feet ‡ **28:4** eateth: Heb. swalloweth § **28:9** doctrine: Heb. the hearing? ** **28:10** must be: or, hath been †† **28:11** stammering...: Heb. stammerings of lip ‡‡ **28:11** will...: or, he hath spoken §§ **28:18** trodden...: Heb. a treading down to it *** **28:19** to...: or, when he shall make you to understand doctrine ††† **28:25** the principal...: or, the wheat in the principal place, and barley in the appointed place ‡‡‡ **28:25** rie: or, spelt §§§ **28:25** place: Heb. border? * **28:26** For...: or, And he bindeth it in such sort as his God doth teach him

27 For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheel
turned about upon the cummin; but the fitches are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin
with a rod.
28 Bread *corn* is bruised; because he will not ever be threshing it, nor break *it with* the
wheel of his cart, nor bruise it *with* his horsemen.
29 This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts, *which* is wonderful in counsel, *and*
excellent in working.

29

1 Woe to Ariel, to Ariel, the city *where* David dwelt! add ye year to year; let them kill
sacrifices.*†‡
2 Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and sorrow: and it shall be unto
me as Ariel.
3 And I will camp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount,
and I will raise forts against thee.
4 And thou shalt be brought down, *and* shalt speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall
be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the
ground, and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.§
5 Moreover the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of
the terrible ones *shall be* as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.
6 Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great
noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire.
7 ¶ And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against
her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.
8 It shall even be as when an hungry *man* dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he
awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he
drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, *he is* faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the
multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.
9 ¶ Stay yourselves, and wonder; cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with
wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.**
10 For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and hath closed your
eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath he covered.††
11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a book that is sealed, which
men deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for
it *is* sealed:‡‡
12 And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and
he saith, I am not learned.
13 ¶ Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth,
and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear
toward me is taught by the precept of men:
14 Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, *even* a
marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise *men* shall perish, and the
understanding of their prudent *men* shall be hid.§§
15 Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works
are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?
16 Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for
shall the work say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say of
him that framed it, He had no understanding?
17 *Is* it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the
fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest?
18 ¶ And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind
shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.
19 The meek also shall increase *their* joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall
rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.***
20 For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that
watch for iniquity are cut off:

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* **29:1** Woe...: or, O Ariel, that is, the lion of God † **29:1** the city: or, of the city ‡ **29:1** kill: Heb. cut off the heads of
§ **29:4** whisper: Heb. peep, or, chirp ** **29:9** cry ye...: or, take your pleasure, and riot †† **29:10** rulers: Heb. heads
‡‡ **29:11** book: or, letter §§ **29:14** proceed: Heb. add *** **29:19** increase: Heb. add

21 That make a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in the
gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought.
22 Therefore thus saith the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of
Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale.
23 But when he seeth his children, the work of mine hands, in the midst of him, they shall
sanctify my name, and sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall fear the God of Israel.
24 They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured
shall learn doctrine.[†††]

30

1 Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and
that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin:
2 That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen
themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt!
3 Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of
Egypt *your* confusion.
4 For his princes were at Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes.
5 They were all ashamed of a people *that* could not profit them, nor be an help nor profit,
but a shame, and also a reproach.
6 The burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, from
whence *come* the young and old lion, the viper and fiery flying serpent, they will carry
their riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of
camels, to a people *that* shall not profit *them*.
7 For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried
concerning this, Their strength *is* to sit still.[*]
8 ¶ Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the
time to come for ever and ever:[†]
9 That this *is* a rebellious people, lying children, children *that* will not hear the law of the
LORD:
10 Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things,
speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:
11 Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease
from before us.
12 Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, Because ye despise this word, and trust
in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon:[‡]
13 Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high
wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.
14 And he shall break it as the breaking of the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces; he
shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take fire from
the hearth, or to take water *withal* out of the pit.[§]
15 For thus saith the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be
saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not.
16 But ye said, No; for we will flee upon horses; therefore shall ye flee: and, We will ride
upon the swift; therefore shall they that pursue you be swift.
17 One thousand *shall flee* at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of five shall ye flee: till ye
be left as a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an ensign on an hill.[**]
18 ¶ And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore
will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD *is* a God of judgment:
blessed *are* all they that wait for him.
19 For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: he will be
very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee.
20 And *though* the Lord give you the bread of adversity, and the water of affliction, yet
shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy
teachers:[††]
21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This *is* the way, walk ye in it,
when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

[†††] **29:24** come...: Heb. know understanding [*] **30:7** concerning...: or, to her [†] **30:8** the...: Heb. the latter day
[‡] **30:12** oppression: or, fraud [§] **30:14** the potters'...: Heb. the bottle of potters [**] **30:17** a beacon: or, a tree bereft
of branches, or, boughs: or, a mast [††] **30:20** affliction: or, oppression

22 Ye shall defile also the covering of thy graven images of silver, and the ornament of
thy molten images of gold: thou shalt cast them away as a menstruous cloth; thou shalt say
unto it, Get thee hence.‡‡§§
23 Then shall he give the rain of thy seed, that thou shalt sow the ground withal; and
bread of the increase of the earth, and it shall be fat and plenteous: in that day shall thy
cattle feed in large pastures.
24 The oxen likewise and the young asses that ear the ground shall eat clean provender,
which hath been winnowed with the shovel and with the fan.***
25 And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high hill, rivers *and*
streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall.†††
26 Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the
sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the
breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.
27 ¶ Behold, the name of the LORD cometh from far, burning *with* his anger, and the
burden *thereof is* heavy: his lips are full of indignation, and his tongue as a devouring
fire:‡‡‡§§§
28 And his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift
the nations with the sieve of vanity: and *there shall be* a bridle in the jaws of the people,
causing *them* to err.
29 Ye shall have a song, as in the night *when* a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of
heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into the mountain of the LORD, to the mighty
One of Israel.*
30 And the LORD shall cause his glorious voice to be heard, and shall shew the lighting
down of his arm, with the indignation of *his* anger, and *with* the flame of a devouring fire,
with scattering, and tempest, and hailstones.†
31 For through the voice of the LORD shall the Assyrian be beaten down, *which* smote
with a rod.
32 And *in* every place where the grounded staff shall pass, which the LORD shall lay upon
him, *it* shall be with tabrets and harps: and in battles of shaking will he fight with it.‡§**
33 For Tophet *is* ordained of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he hath made *it* deep
and large: the pile thereof *is* fire and much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of
brimstone, doth kindle it.††

31

1 Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots,
because *they are* many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not
unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD!
2 Yet he also *is* wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words: but will arise
against the house of the evildoers, and against the help of them that work iniquity.*
3 Now the Egyptians *are* men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit. When
the LORD shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen
shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.
4 For thus hath the LORD spoken unto me, Like as the lion and the young lion roaring on
his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is called forth against him, *he* will not be afraid of
their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them: so shall the LORD of hosts come down
to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.†
5 As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will
deliver *it; and* passing over he will preserve it.
6 ¶ Turn ye unto *him from* whom the children of Israel have deeply revolted.
7 For in that day every man shall cast away his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which
your own hands have made unto you *for* a sin.‡

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‡‡ **30:22** thy graven...: Heb. the graven images of thy silver §§ **30:22** cast: Heb. scatter *** **30:24** clean: or, savoury: Heb. leavened ††† **30:25** high hill: Heb. lifted up, etc ‡‡‡ **30:27** burden...: or, grievousness of flame §§§ **30:27** heavy: Heb. heaviness * **30:29** mighty...: Heb. Rock † **30:30** his glorious...: Heb. the glory of his voice ‡ **30:32** in every...: Heb. every passing of the rod founded § **30:32** lay...: Heb. cause to rest upon ** **30:32** with it: or, against them †† **30:33** of old: Heb. from yesterday * **31:2** call...: Heb. remove † **31:4** noise: or, multitude ‡ **31:7** his idols of gold: Heb. the idols of his gold

8 ¶ Then shall the Assyrian fall with the sword, not of a mighty man; and the sword, not of
a mean man, shall devour him: but he shall flee from the sword, and his young men shall
be discomfited.§**
9 And he shall pass over to his strong hold for fear, and his princes shall be afraid of the
ensign, saith the LORD, whose fire *is* in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.††‡‡

32

1 Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.
2 And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as
rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.*
3 And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall
hearken.
4 The heart also of the rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammer-
ers shall be ready to speak plainly.†‡
5 The vile person shall be no more called liberal, nor the churl said *to be* bountiful.
6 For the vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work iniquity, to practise
hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and
he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.
7 The instruments also of the churl *are* evil: he deviseth wicked devices to destroy the
poor with lying words, even when the needy speaketh right.§
8 But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he stand.**
9 ¶ Rise up, ye women that are at ease; hear my voice, ye careless daughters; give ear
unto my speech.
10 Many days and years shall ye be troubled, ye careless women: for the vintage shall
fail, the gathering shall not come.††
11 Tremble, ye women that are at ease; be troubled, ye careless ones: strip you, and make
you bare, and gird *sackcloth* upon *your* loins.
12 They shall lament for the teats, for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine.‡‡
13 Upon the land of my people shall come up thorns *and* briers; yea, upon all the houses
of joy *in* the joyous city:§§
14 Because the palaces shall be forsaken; the multitude of the city shall be left; the forts
and towers shall be for dens for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks;***
15 Until the spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field,
and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.
16 Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful
field.
17 And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness
and assurance for ever.
18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in
quiet resting places;
19 When it shall hail, coming down on the forest; and the city shall be low in a low place.†††
20 Blessed *are* ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth *thither* the feet of the ox and
the ass.

33

1 Woe to thee that spoilest, and thou *wast* not spoiled; and dealest treacherously, and they
dealt not treacherously with thee! when thou shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled;
and when thou shalt make an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with
thee.
2 O LORD, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee: be thou their arm every morning,
our salvation also in the time of trouble.
3 At the noise of the tumult the people fled; at the lifting up of thyself the nations were
scattered.
4 And your spoil shall be gathered *like* the gathering of the caterpiller: as the running to
and fro of locusts shall he run upon them.

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§ **31:8** from: or, for fear of ** **31:8** discomfited: or, tributary: Heb. for melting, or, tribute †† **31:9** he...: Heb. his rock shall pass away for fear ‡‡ **31:9** his strong hold: or, his strength * **32:2** great: Heb. heavy † **32:4** rash: Heb. hasty ‡ **32:4** plainly: or, elegantly § **32:7** the needy...: or, he speaketh against the poor in judgment ** **32:8** stand: or, be established †† **32:10** Many...: Heb. Days above a year ‡‡ **32:12** pleasant...: Heb. fields of desire §§ **32:13** yea...: or, burning upon *** **32:14** forts...: or, clifts and watchtowers ††† **32:19** low in...: or, utterly abased

5 The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with judgment and
righteousness.
6 And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, *and* strength of salvation:
the fear of the LORD *is* his treasure.*
7 Behold, their valiant ones shall cry without: the ambassadors of peace shall weep
bitterly.†
8 The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken the covenant, he
hath despised the cities, he regardeth no man.
9 The earth mourneth *and* languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed *and* hewn down: Sharon is
like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel shake off *their fruits*.‡
10 Now will I rise, saith the LORD; now will I be exalted; now will I lift up myself.
11 Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath, *as* fire, shall devour
you.
12 And the people shall be *as* the burnings of lime: *as* thorns cut up shall they be burned
in the fire.
13 ¶ Hear, ye *that are* far off, what I have done; and, ye *that are* near, acknowledge my
might.
14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who
among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting
burnings?
15 He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of
oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from
hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;§**††‡‡
16 He shall dwell on high: his place of defence *shall be* the munitions of rocks: bread shall
be given him; his waters *shall be* sure.§§
17 Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far
off.***
18 Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where *is* the scribe? where *is* the receiver? where
is he that counted the towers?†††
19 Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceive;
of a stammering tongue, *that thou canst* not understand.‡‡‡
20 Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet
habitation, a tabernacle *that* shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall
ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.
21 But there the glorious LORD *will be* unto us a place of broad rivers *and* streams;
wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.§§§
22 For the LORD *is* our judge, the LORD *is* our lawgiver, the LORD *is* our king; he will save
us.*
23 Thy tacklings are loosed; they could not well strengthen their mast, they could not
spread the sail: then is the prey of a great spoil divided; the lame take the prey.†
24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein *shall be*
forgiven *their* iniquity.

34

1 Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: let the earth hear, and all that
is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it.*
2 For the indignation of the LORD *is* upon all nations, and *his* fury upon all their armies:
he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter.
3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcases, and
the mountains shall be melted with their blood.
4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together
as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a
falling *fig* from the fig tree.

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* **33:6** salvation: Heb. salvations † **33:7** valiant...: or, messengers ‡ **33:9** hewn...: or, withered away § **33:15** righteously: Heb. in righteousnesses ** **33:15** uprightly: Heb. uprightnesses †† **33:15** oppressions: or, deceits ‡‡ **33:15** blood: Heb. bloods §§ **33:16** high: Heb. heights, or, high places *** **33:17** that...: Heb. of far distances ††† **33:18** receiver: Heb. weigher? ‡‡‡ **33:19** stammering: or, ridiculous §§§ **33:21** of...: Heb. broad of spaces, or, hands * **33:22** lawgiver: Heb. statutemaker † **33:23** Thy...: or, They have forsaken thy tacklings * **34:1** all that...: Heb. the fulness thereof

5 For my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold, it shall come down upon Idumea, and
upon the people of my curse, to judgment.
6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, *and* with the
blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams: for the LORD hath a sacrifice
in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.
7 And the unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with the bulls; and their
land shall be soaked with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness.†‡
8 For *it is* the day of the LORD's vengeance, *and* the year of recompences for the
controversy of Zion.
9 And the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone,
and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.
10 It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from
generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.
11 ¶ But the cormorant and the bittern shall possess it; the owl also and the raven
shall dwell in it: and he shall stretch out upon it the line of confusion, and the stones of
emptiness.§
12 They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none *shall be* there, and all her
princes shall be nothing.
13 And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof:
and it shall be an habitation of dragons, *and* a court for owls.**
14 The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the
satyr shall cry to his fellow; the screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself a place
of rest.††‡‡§§
15 There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her
shadow: there shall the vultures also be gathered, every one with her mate.
16 ¶ Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read: no one of these shall fail, none shall
want her mate: for my mouth it hath commanded, and his spirit it hath gathered them.
17 And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath divided it unto them by line: they
shall possess it for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

35

1 The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice,
and blossom as the rose.
2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon
shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the
LORD, *and* the excellency of our God.
3 ¶ Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.
4 Say to them *that are* of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come
with vengeance, *even* God *with* a recompence; he will come and save you.*
5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.
6 Then shall the lame *man* leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the
wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.
7 And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in
the habitation of dragons, where each lay, *shall be* grass with reeds and rushes.†
8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the
unclean shall not pass over it; but it *shall be* for those: the wayfaring men, though fools,
shall not err *therein*.‡
9 No lion shall be there, nor *any* ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found
there; but the redeemed shall walk *there:*
10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and
everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and
sighing shall flee away.

36

1 Now it came to pass in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, *that* Sennacherib king of
Assyria came up against all the defenced cities of Judah, and took them.

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† **34:7** unicorns: or, rhinocerots ‡ **34:7** soaked: or, drunken § **34:11** cormorant: or, pelican ** **34:13** owls: or, ostriches: Heb. daughters of the owl †† **34:14** The wild beasts of the desert: Heb. Ziim ‡‡ **34:14** the wild beasts of the island: Heb. Ijim §§ **34:14** screech...: or, night monster * **35:4** fearful: Heb. hasty † **35:7** grass...: or, a court for reeds, etc ‡ **35:8** but...: or, for he shall be with them

2 And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah
with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the
fuller's field.
3 Then came forth unto him Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, which was over the house, and
Shebna the scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.*
4 ¶ And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king,
the king of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?
5 I say, *sayest thou*, (but *they are but* vain words) *I have* counsel and strength for war: now
on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?†‡
6 Lo, thou trustest in the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a man lean, it will
go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in him.
7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is it* not he, whose high places
and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and said to Judah and to Jerusalem, Ye shall
worship before this altar?
8 Now therefore give pledges, I pray thee, to my master the king of Assyria, and I will give
thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.§
9 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's
servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?
10 And am I now come up without the LORD against this land to destroy it? the LORD said
unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.
11 ¶ Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray thee, unto
thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand *it:* and speak not to us in the Jews'
language, in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.
12 ¶ But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master and to thee to speak these
words? *hath he* not *sent me* to the men that sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own
dung, and drink their own piss with you?
13 Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said,
Hear ye the words of the great king, the king of Assyria.
14 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver
you.
15 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver
us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.
16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, Make *an agreement* with
me *by* a present, and come out to me: and eat ye every one of his vine, and every one of his
fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his own cistern;**
17 Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine,
a land of bread and vineyards.
18 *Beware* lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, The LORD will deliver us. Hath any of the
gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?
19 Where *are* the gods of Hamath and Arphad? where *are* the gods of Sepharvaim? and
have they delivered Samaria out of my hand?
20 Who *are they* among all the gods of these lands, that have delivered their land out of
my hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?
21 But they held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment
was, saying, Answer him not.
22 ¶ Then came Eliakim, the son of Hilkiah, that *was* over the household, and Shebna the
scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the recorder, to Hezekiah with *their* clothes rent, and
told him the words of Rabshakeh.

37

1 And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard *it*, that he rent his clothes, and covered
himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.
2 And he sent Eliakim, who *was* over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders
of the priests covered with sackcloth, unto Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.
3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke,
and of blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring
forth.*

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* **36:3** scribe: or, secretary † **36:5** vain...: Heb. a word of lips ‡ **36:5** I have...: or, but counsel and strength are for the war § **36:8** pledges: or, hostages ** **36:16** Make...: or, Seek my favour by a present: Heb. Make with me a blessing * **37:3** blasphemy: or, provocation

4 It may be the LORD thy God will hear the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria
his master hath sent to reproach the living God, and will reprove the words which the
LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the remnant that is left.†
5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.
6 ¶ And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say unto your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be
not afraid of the words that thou hast heard, wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria
have blasphemed me.
7 Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and return to his own
land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.‡
8 ¶ So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for he
had heard that he was departed from Lachish.
9 And he heard say concerning Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, He is come forth to make war
with thee. And when he heard *it*, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying,
10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not thy God, in whom thou
trustest, deceive thee, saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of
Assyria.
11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by destroying
them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?
12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, *as*
Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Telassar?
13 Where *is* the king of Hamath, and the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of
Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?
14 ¶ And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and
Hezekiah went up unto the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.
15 And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying,
16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest *between* the cherubims, thou *art* the God,
even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.
17 Incline thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open thine eyes, O LORD, and see: and hear all
the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to reproach the living God.
18 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations, and their
countries,§
19 And have cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the work of men's
hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.**
20 Now therefore, O LORD our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the
earth may know that thou *art* the LORD, *even* thou only.
21 ¶ Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of
Israel, Whereas thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria:
22 This *is* the word which the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter
of Zion, hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath
shaken her head at thee.
23 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted
thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? *even* against the Holy One of Israel.
24 By thy servants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By the multitude of my
chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will
cut down the tall cedars thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the
height of his border, *and* the forest of his Carmel.††‡‡§§
25 I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the
rivers of the besieged places.***
26 Hast thou not heard long ago, *how* I have done it; *and* of ancient times, that I have
formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste defenced cities
into ruinous heaps.†††
27 Therefore their inhabitants *were* of small power, they were dismayed and confounded:
they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the housetops, and
as corn blasted before it be grown up.‡‡‡

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† **37:4** left: Heb. found ‡ **37:7** send...: or, put a spirit into him § **37:18** nations: Heb. lands ** **37:19** cast: Heb. given †† **37:24** By thy...: Heb. By the hand of thy servants ‡‡ **37:24** the tall...: Heb. the tallness of the cedars thereof and the choice of the fir trees thereof §§ **37:24** the forest...: or, the forest and his fruitful field *** **37:25** besieged: or, fenced and closed ††† **37:26** Hast...: or, Hast thou not heard how I have made it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? should I now bring it to be laid waste, and defenced cities to be ruinous heaps? ‡‡‡ **37:27** of small...: Heb. short of hand

28 But I know thy abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.§§§
29 Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult, is come up into mine ears, therefore will
I put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by
which thou camest.
30 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat *this* year such as groweth of itself; and
the second year that which springeth of the same: and in the third year sow ye, and reap,
and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit thereof.
31 And the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward,
and bear fruit upward:*
32 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion:
the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.†
33 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into
this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shields, nor cast a bank against
it.
34 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city,
saith the LORD.
35 For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.
36 Then the angel of the LORD went forth, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians a
hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning,
behold, they *were* all dead corpses.
37 ¶ So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at
Nineveh.
38 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that
Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the
land of Armenia: and Esar-haddon his son reigned in his stead.‡

38

1 In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz
came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Set thine house in order: for thou
shalt die, and not live.*
2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto the LORD,
3 And said, Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I have walked before thee in
truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight. And Hezekiah
wept sore.†
4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD to Isaiah, saying,
5 Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard
thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years.
6 And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and I will
defend this city.
7 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that
he hath spoken;
8 Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the sun dial
of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was
gone down.‡
9 ¶ The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and was recovered of
his sickness:
10 I said in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of
the residue of my years.
11 I said, I shall not see the LORD, *even* the LORD, in the land of the living: I shall behold
man no more with the inhabitants of the world.
12 Mine age is departed, and is removed from me as a shepherd's tent: I have cut off like
a weaver my life: he will cut me off with pining sickness: from day *even* to night wilt thou
make an end of me.§
13 I reckoned till morning, *that*, as a lion, so will he break all my bones: from day *even* to
night wilt thou make an end of me.
14 Like a crane *or* a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourn as a dove: mine eyes fail *with
looking* upward: O LORD, I am oppressed; undertake for me.**

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§§§ **37:28** abode: or, sitting * **37:31** the remnant...: Heb. the escaping of the house of Judah that remaineth † **37:32** they...: Heb. the escaping ‡ **37:38** Armenia: Heb. Ararat * **38:1** Set...: Heb. Give charge concerning thy house † **38:3** sore: Heb. with great weeping ‡ **38:8** sun dial: Heb. degrees by, or, with the sun § **38:12** with...: or, from the thrum ** **38:14** undertake...: or, ease me

15 What shall I say? he hath both spoken unto me, and himself hath done *it:* I shall go
softly all my years in the bitterness of my soul.
16 O Lord, by these *things men* live, and in all these *things is* the life of my spirit: so wilt
thou recover me, and make me to live.
17 Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul *delivered it*
from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.††‡‡
18 For the grave cannot praise thee, death can *not* celebrate thee: they that go down into
the pit cannot hope for thy truth.
19 The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I *do* this day: the father to the children
shall make known thy truth.
20 The LORD *was ready* to save me: therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed
instruments all the days of our life in the house of the LORD.
21 For Isaiah had said, Let them take a lump of figs, and lay *it* for a plaister upon the boil,
and he shall recover.
22 Hezekiah also had said, What *is* the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?

39

1 At that time Merodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a
present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.
2 And Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of his precious things,
the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his
armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all
his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.*†
3 ¶ Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these
men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a
far country unto me, *even* from Babylon.
4 Then said he, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All that *is*
in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed
them.
5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD of hosts:
6 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and *that* which thy fathers have
laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the
LORD.
7 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away;
and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.
8 Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah, Good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken.
He said moreover, For there shall be peace and truth in my days.

40

1 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished,
that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD's hand double for all her
sins.*†
3 ¶ The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make
straight in the desert a highway for our God.
4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the
crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:‡§
5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see *it* together: for the
mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.
6 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh *is* grass, and all the goodliness
thereof *is* as the flower of the field:
7 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it:
surely the people *is* grass.
8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

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†† **38:17** for peace...: or, on my peace came great bitterness ‡‡ **38:17** thou hast in...: Heb. thou hast loved my soul from the pit * **39:2** precious things: or, spicery † **39:2** armour: or, jewels: Heb. vessels, or, instruments * **40:2** comfortably: Heb. to the heart † **40:2** warfare: or, appointed time ‡ **40:4** straight: or, a straight place § **40:4** plain: or, a plain place

9 ¶ O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem,
that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift *it* up, be not afraid; say unto
the cities of Judah, Behold your God!**††
10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong *hand*, and his arm shall rule for him:
behold, his reward *is* with him, and his work before him.‡‡§§
11 He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and
carry *them* in his bosom, *and* shall gently lead those that are with young.***
12 ¶ Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven
with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the
mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?†††
13 Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or *being* his counsellor hath taught him?‡‡‡
14 With whom took he counsel, and *who* instructed him, and taught him in the path of
judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?§§§*
15 Behold, the nations *are* as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the
balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.
16 And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt
offering.
17 All nations before him *are* as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing,
and vanity.
18 ¶ To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?
19 The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold,
and casteth silver chains.
20 He that *is* so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a tree *that* will not rot; he
seeketh unto him a cunning workman to prepare a graven image, *that* shall not be moved.†
21 Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning?
have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?
22 *It is* he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof *are* as
grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a
tent to dwell in:‡
23 That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.
24 Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not
take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the
whirlwind shall take them away as stubble.
25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.
26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out
their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that
he is strong in power; not one faileth.
27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and
my judgment is passed over from my God?
28 ¶ Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the
Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his
understanding.
29 He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.
30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:
31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with
wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.§

41

1 Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew *their* strength: let them
come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment.
2 Who raised up the righteous *man* from the east, called him to his foot, gave the nations
before him, and made *him* rule over kings? he gave *them* as the dust to his sword, *and* as
driven stubble to his bow.*
3 He pursued them, *and* passed safely; *even* by the way *that* he had not gone with his feet.†

** **40:9** O Zion...: or, O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion †† **40:9** O Jerusalem...: or, O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem ‡‡ **40:10** with strong...: or, against the strong §§ **40:10** his work: or, recompence for his work *** **40:11** that...: or, that give suck ††† **40:12** a measure: Heb. a tierce ‡‡‡ **40:13** his...: Heb. man of his counsel §§§ **40:14** instructed...: Heb. made him understand * **40:14** understanding: Heb. understandings? † **40:20** is so...: Heb. is poor of oblation ‡ **40:22** It is...: or, Him that § **40:31** renew: Heb. change * **41:2** the righteous...: Heb. righteousness † **41:3** safely: Heb. in peace

4 Who hath wrought and done *it*, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD,
the first, and with the last; I *am* he.
5 The isles saw *it*, and feared; the ends of the earth were afraid, drew near, and came.
6 They helped every one his neighbour; and *every one* said to his brother, Be of good
courage.‡
7 So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, *and* he that smootheth *with* the hammer
him that smote the anvil, saying, It *is* ready for the sodering: and he fastened it with nails,
that it should not be moved.§**††
8 But thou, Israel, *art* my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my
friend.
9 *Thou* whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men
thereof, and said unto thee, Thou *art* my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee
away.
10 ¶ Fear thou not; for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen
thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.
11 Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded:
they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.‡‡
12 Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, *even* them that contended with thee:
they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.§§***
13 For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help
thee.
14 Fear not, thou worm Jacob, *and* ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and
thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.†††
15 Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt
thresh the mountains, and beat *them* small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.‡‡‡
16 Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall
scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, *and* shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.
17 *When* the poor and needy seek water, and *there is* none, *and* their tongue faileth for
thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.
18 I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make
the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.
19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree;
I will set in the desert the fir tree, *and* the pine, and the box tree together:
20 That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of
the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.
21 Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong *reasons*, saith the King of
Jacob.§§§
22 Let them bring *them* forth, and shew us what shall happen: let them shew the former
things, what they *be*, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or
declare us things for to come.*
23 Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye *are* gods: yea, do
good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold *it* together.
24 Behold, ye *are* of nothing, and your work of nought: an abomination *is he that* chooseth
you.†‡
25 I have raised up *one* from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall
he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as *upon* morter, and as the potter
treadeth clay.
26 Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we
may say, *He is* righteous? yea, *there is* none that sheweth, yea, *there is* none that declareth,
yea, *there is* none that heareth your words.
27 The first *shall say* to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that
bringeth good tidings.
28 For I beheld, and *there was* no man; even among them, and *there was* no counsellor,
that, when I asked of them, could answer a word.§

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‡ **41:6** Be...: Heb. Be strong § **41:7** goldsmith: or, founder ** **41:7** him...: or, the smiting †† **41:7** saying...: or, saying of the soder, It is good ‡‡ **41:11** they that strive...: Heb. the men of thy strife §§ **41:12** them that...: Heb. the men of thy contention *** **41:12** they...: Heb. the men of thy war ††† **41:14** men: or, few men ‡‡‡ **41:15** teeth: Heb. mouths §§§ **41:21** Produce: Heb. Cause to come near * **41:22** consider...: Heb. set our heart upon them † **41:24** of nothing: or, worse than nothing ‡ **41:24** of nought: or, worse than of a viper § **41:28** answer: Heb. return

29 Behold, they *are* all vanity; their works *are* nothing: their molten images *are* wind and
confusion.

42

1 Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, *in whom* my soul delighteth; I have put
my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.
2 He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.
3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall
bring forth judgment unto truth.*†
4 He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles
shall wait for his law.‡
5 ¶ Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he
that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the
people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:
6 I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep
thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles;
7 To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, *and* them that sit in
darkness out of the prison house.
8 I *am* the LORD: that *is* my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my
praise to graven images.
9 Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they
spring forth I tell you of them.
10 Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go
down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.§
11 Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up *their voice*, the villages *that* Kedar doth
inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.
12 Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the islands.
13 The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war:
he shall cry, yea, roar; he shall prevail against his enemies.**
14 I have long time holden my peace; I have been still, *and* refrained myself: *now* will I
cry like a travailing woman; I will destroy and devour at once.††
15 I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the
rivers islands, and I will dry up the pools.
16 And I will bring the blind by a way *that* they knew not; I will lead them in paths *that*
they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight.
These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.‡‡
17 ¶ They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in graven images,
that say to the molten images, Ye *are* our gods.
18 Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.
19 Who *is* blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger *that* I sent? who *is* blind as *he
that is* perfect, and blind as the LORD's servant?
20 Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not.
21 The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make
it honourable.§§
22 But this *is* a people robbed and spoiled; *they are* all of them snared in holes, and they
are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none
saith, Restore.***†††
23 Who among you will give ear to this? *who* will hearken and hear for the time to
come?‡‡‡
24 Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the LORD, he against
whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient
unto his law.
25 Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his anger, and the strength of battle:
and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid *it*
not to heart.

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* **42:3** smoking: or, dimly burning † **42:3** quench: Heb. quench it ‡ **42:4** discouraged: Heb. broken § **42:10** all...: Heb. the fulness thereof ** **42:13** prevail: or, behave himself mightily †† **42:14** devour: Heb. swallow, or, sup up ‡‡ **42:16** straight: Heb. into straightness §§ **42:21** it: or, him *** **42:22** they are all...: or, in snaring all the young men of them ††† **42:22** for a spoil: Heb. a treading ‡‡‡ **42:23** for...: Heb. for the after time?

43

1 But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O
Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called *thee* by thy name; thou *art* mine.
2 When thou passest through the waters, I *will be* with thee; and through the rivers, they
shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned;
neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.
3 For I *am* the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt *for* thy
ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.
4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee:
therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.*
5 Fear not: for I *am* with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from
the west;
6 I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far,
and my daughters from the ends of the earth;
7 *Even* every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have
formed him; yea, I have made him.
8 ¶ Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.
9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among
them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses,
that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, *It is* truth.
10 Ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may
know and believe me, and understand that I *am* he: before me there was no God formed,
neither shall there be after me.†
11 I, *even* I, *am* the LORD; and beside me *there is* no saviour.
12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when *there was* no strange *god*
among you: therefore ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I *am* God.
13 Yea, before the day *was* I *am* he; and *there is* none that can deliver out of my hand: I
will work, and who shall let it?‡
14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; For your sake I have sent
to Babylon, and have brought down all their nobles, and the Chaldeans, whose cry *is* in the
ships.§
15 I *am* the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.
16 Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;
17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie
down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.
18 ¶ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.
19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even
make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.
20 The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the owls: because I give waters
in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.**
21 This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.
22 ¶ But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.
23 Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou
honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor
wearied thee with incense.††
24 Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the
fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me
with thine iniquities.‡‡
25 I, *even* I, *am* he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not
remember thy sins.
26 Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be
justified.
27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy teachers have transgressed against me.§§
28 Therefore I have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the
curse, and Israel to reproaches.***

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* **43:4** life: or, person † **43:10** no...: or, nothing formed of God ‡ **43:13** let it: Heb. turn it back? § **43:14** nobles: Heb. bars ** **43:20** owls: or, ostriches: Heb. daughters of the owl †† **43:23** small...: Heb. lambs, or, kids ‡‡ **43:24** filled...: Heb. made me drunk, or, abundantly moistened §§ **43:27** teachers: Heb. interpreters *** **43:28** princes...: or, holy princes

44

1 Yet now hear, O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen:
2 Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, *which* will help
thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen.
3 For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will
pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring:
4 And they shall spring up *as* among the grass, as willows by the water courses.
5 One shall say, I *am* the LORD's; and another shall call *himself* by the name of Jacob; and
another shall subscribe *with* his hand unto the LORD, and surname *himself* by the name of
Israel.
6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I *am* the
first, and I *am* the last; and beside me *there is* no God.
7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed
the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto
them.
8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared *it*?
ye *are* even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, *there is* no God; I know not *any*.*
9 ¶ They that make a graven image *are* all of them vanity; and their delectable things
shall not profit; and they *are* their own witnesses; they see not, nor know; that they may
be ashamed.†
10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image *that* is profitable for nothing?
11 Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they *are* of men: let them
all be gathered together, let them stand up; *yet* they shall fear, *and* they shall be ashamed
together.
12 The smith with the tongs both worketh in the coals, and fashioneth it with hammers,
and worketh it with the strength of his arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he
drinketh no water, and is faint.‡
13 The carpenter stretcheth out *his* rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with
planes, and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man,
according to the beauty of a man; that it may remain in the house.
14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he strength-
eneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash, and the rain doth
nourish *it*.§
15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea,
he kindleth *it*, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth *it;* he maketh it a
graven image, and falleth down thereto.
16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast,
and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth *himself*, and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire:
17 And the residue thereof he maketh a god, *even* his graven image: he falleth down unto
it, and worshippeth *it*, and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou *art* my god.
18 They have not known nor understood: for he hath shut their eyes, that they cannot
see; *and* their hearts, that they cannot understand.**
19 And none considereth in his heart, neither *is there* knowledge nor understanding to
say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof;
I have roasted flesh, and eaten *it:* and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination?
shall I fall down to the stock of a tree?††‡‡
20 He feedeth on ashes: a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he cannot deliver
his soul, nor say, *Is there* not a lie in my right hand?
21 ¶ Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou *art* my servant: I have formed thee;
thou *art* my servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me.
22 I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return
unto me; for I have redeemed thee.
23 Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done *it:* shout, ye lower parts of the earth:
break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the LORD hath
redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.

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* **44:8** God; I: Heb. rock, etc † **44:9** delectable: Heb. desirable ‡ **44:12** with the tongs: or, with an axe § **44:14** strengtheneth: or, taketh courage ** **44:18** shut: Heb. daubed †† **44:19** considereth...: Heb. setteth to his heart ‡‡ **44:19** the stock...: Heb. that which comes of a tree?

24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I *am*
the LORD that maketh all *things;* that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth
abroad the earth by myself;
25 That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise
men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish;
26 That confirmeth the word of his servant, and performeth the counsel of his messen-
gers; that saith to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be inhabited; and to the cities of Judah, Ye shall be
built, and I will raise up the decayed places thereof:§§
27 That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers:
28 That saith of Cyrus, *He is* my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying
to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.

45

1 Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to
subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two
leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;*
2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the
gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:
3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that
thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call *thee* by thy name, *am* the God of Israel.
4 For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name:
I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.
5 ¶ I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else, *there is* no God beside me: I girded thee, though
thou hast not known me:
6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that *there is* none
beside me. I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else.
7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all
these *things*.
8 Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the
earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; I
the LORD have created it.
9 Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! *Let* the potsherd *strive* with the potsherds
of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work,
He hath no hands?
10 Woe unto him that saith unto *his* father, What begettest thou? or to the woman, What
hast thou brought forth?
11 Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come
concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.
12 I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, *even* my hands, have stretched out
the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.
13 I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways: he shall build my
city, and he shall let go my captives, not for price nor reward, saith the LORD of hosts.†
14 Thus saith the LORD, The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the
Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall
come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they
shall make supplication unto thee, *saying*, Surely God *is* in thee; and *there is* none else,
there is no God.
15 Verily thou *art* a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour.
16 They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion
together *that are* makers of idols.
17 *But* Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be
ashamed nor confounded world without end.
18 For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth
and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited:
I *am* the LORD; and *there is* none else.
19 I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of
Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.

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§§ **44:26** decayed...: Heb. wastes * **45:1** have...: or, strengthened † **45:13** direct: or, make straight

20 ¶ Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye *that are* escaped of the
nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray
unto a god *that* cannot save.
21 Tell ye, and bring *them* near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared
this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? *have* not I the LORD? and *there is*
no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; *there is* none beside me.
22 Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I *am* God, and *there is* none
else.
23 I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth *in* righteousness, and shall
not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.
24 Surely, shall *one* say, in the LORD have I righteousness and strength: *even* to him shall
men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed.‡§
25 In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

46

1 Bel boweth down, Nebo stoopeth, their idols were upon the beasts, and upon the cattle:
your carriages *were* heavy loaden; *they are* a burden to the weary *beast*.
2 They stoop, they bow down together; they could not deliver the burden, but themselves
are gone into captivity.*
3 ¶ Hearken unto me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which
are borne *by me* from the belly, which are carried from the womb:
4 And *even* to *your* old age I *am* he; and *even* to hoar hairs will I carry *you:* I have made,
and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver *you*.
5 ¶ To whom will ye liken me, and make *me* equal, and compare me, that we may be like?
6 They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver in the balance, *and* hire a goldsmith;
and he maketh it a god: they fall down, yea, they worship.
7 They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in his place, and he
standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea, *one* shall cry unto him, yet can he not
answer, nor save him out of his trouble.
8 Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring *it* again to mind, O ye transgressors.
9 Remember the former things of old: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else; *I am* God, and
there is none like me,
10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not
yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:
11 Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far
country: yea, I have spoken *it*, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed *it*, I will also do
it.†
12 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye stouthearted, that *are* far from righteousness:
13 I bring near my righteousness; it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry:
and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel my glory.

47

1 Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit on the ground: *there*
is no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and
delicate.
2 Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the
thigh, pass over the rivers.
3 Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance,
and I will not meet *thee as* a man.
4 *As for* our redeemer, the LORD of hosts *is* his name, the Holy One of Israel.
5 Sit thou silent, and get thee into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt
no more be called, The lady of kingdoms.
6 ¶ I was wroth with my people, I have polluted mine inheritance, and given them into
thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy; upon the ancient hast thou very heavily laid
thy yoke.
7 ¶ And thou saidst, I shall be a lady for ever: *so* that thou didst not lay these *things* to thy
heart, neither didst remember the latter end of it.

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‡ **45:24** Surely...: or, Surely he shall say of me, In the LORD is all righteousness and strength § **45:24** righteousness: Heb. righteousnesses * **46:2** themselves: Heb. their soul † **46:11** that...: Heb. of my counsel

8 Therefore hear now this, *thou that art* given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that
sayest in thine heart, I *am*, and none else beside me; I shall not sit *as* a widow, neither shall
I know the loss of children:
9 But these two *things* shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children,
and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection for the multitude of thy
sorceries, *and* for the great abundance of thine enchantments.
10 ¶ For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom
and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I *am*, and none
else beside me.*
11 ¶ Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and
mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come
upon thee suddenly, *which* thou shalt not know.†‡
12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein
thou hast laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest
prevail.
13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the astrologers, the
stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from *these things* that
shall come upon thee.§**
14 Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver
themselves from the power of the flame: *there shall* not *be* a coal to warm at, *nor* fire to
sit before it.††
15 Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, *even* thy merchants, from
thy youth: they shall wander every one to his quarter; none shall save thee.

48

1 Hear ye this, O house of Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and are come
forth out of the waters of Judah, which swear by the name of the LORD, and make mention
of the God of Israel, *but* not in truth, nor in righteousness.
2 For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the God of Israel;
The LORD of hosts *is* his name.
3 I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my
mouth, and I shewed them; I did *them* suddenly, and they came to pass.
4 Because I knew that thou *art* obstinate, and thy neck *is* an iron sinew, and thy brow
brass;*
5 I have even from the beginning declared *it* to thee; before it came to pass I shewed *it*
thee: lest thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and my
molten image, hath commanded them.
6 Thou hast heard, see all this; and will not ye declare *it*? I have shewed thee new things
from this time, even hidden things, and thou didst not know them.
7 They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou
heardest them not; lest thou shouldest say, Behold, I knew them.
8 Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time *that* thine ear was
not opened: for I knew that thou wouldest deal very treacherously, and wast called a
transgressor from the womb.
9 ¶ For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee,
that I cut thee not off.
10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of
affliction.†
11 For mine own sake, *even* for mine own sake, will I do *it:* for how should *my name* be
polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.
12 ¶ Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I *am* he; I *am* the first, I also *am* the
last.
13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath spanned
the heavens: *when* I call unto them, they stand up together.‡

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* **47:10** perverted...: or, caused thee to turn away † **47:11** from...: Heb. the morning thereof ‡ **47:11** put: Heb. expiate § **47:13** astrologers: Heb. viewers of the heavens ** **47:13** the monthly...: Heb. that give knowledge concerning the months †† **47:14** themselves: Heb. their souls * **48:4** obstinate: Heb. hard † **48:10** with...: or, for silver ‡ **48:13** my...: or, the palm of my right hand hath spread out

14 All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these *things*?
The LORD hath loved him: he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm *shall be on* the
Chaldeans.
15 I, *even* I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make
his way prosperous.
16 ¶ Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning;
from the time that it was, there *am* I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.
17 Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I *am* the LORD thy God
which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldest go.
18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a
river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:
19 Thy seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel
thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before me.
20 ¶ Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye,
tell this, utter it *even* to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant
Jacob.
21 And they thirsted not *when* he led them through the deserts: he caused the waters to
flow out of the rock for them: he clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out.
22 *There is* no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.

49

1 Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The LORD hath called me
from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.
2 And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid
me, and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me;
3 And said unto me, Thou *art* my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified.
4 Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain:
yet surely my judgment *is* with the LORD, and my work with my God.*
5 ¶ And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb *to be* his servant, to bring
Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the
LORD, and my God shall be my strength.†
6 And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of
Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles,
that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.‡§
7 Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, *and* his Holy One, to him whom man
despiseth, to him whom the nation abhorreth, to a servant of rulers, Kings shall see and
arise, princes also shall worship, because of the LORD that is faithful, *and* the Holy One of
Israel, and he shall choose thee.**
8 Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation
have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to
establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages;††
9 That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that *are* in darkness, Shew
yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures *shall be* in all high places.
10 They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that
hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.
11 And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted.
12 Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west;
and these from the land of Sinim.
13 ¶ Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains:
for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.
14 But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me.
15 Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son
of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.‡‡
16 Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of *my* hands; thy walls *are* continually
before me.
17 Thy children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go
forth of thee.

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* **49:4** my work: or, my reward † **49:5** Though...: or, That Israel may be gathered to him, and I may, etc ‡ **49:6** It is...: or, Art thou lighter than that thou shouldest, etc § **49:6** preserved: or, desolations ** **49:7** whom man...: or, that is despised in soul †† **49:8** establish: or, raise up ‡‡ **49:15** that...: Heb. from having compassion

18 ¶ Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, *and*
come to thee. *As* I live, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with
an ornament, and bind them *on thee*, as a bride *doeth*.
19 For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now
be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far
away.
20 The children which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in
thine ears, The place *is* too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell.
21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my
children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up
these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where *had* they *been*?
22 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my
standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in *their* arms, and thy daughters shall
be carried upon *their* shoulders.§§
23 And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: they
shall bow down to thee with *their* face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and
thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.***†††
24 ¶ Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive delivered?‡‡‡
25 But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the
prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with
thee, and I will save thy children.§§§
26 And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken
with their own blood, as with sweet wine: and all flesh shall know that I the LORD *am* thy
Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.*

50

1 Thus saith the LORD, Where *is* the bill of your mother's divorcement, whom I have put
away? or which of my creditors *is it* to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities
have ye sold yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put away.
2 Wherefore, when I came, *was there* no man? when I called, *was there* none to answer?
Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver? behold,
at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because
there is no water, and dieth for thirst.
3 I clothe the heavens with blackness, and I make sackcloth their covering.
4 The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak
a word in season to *him that is* weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth
mine ear to hear as the learned.
5 ¶ The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away
back.
6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not
my face from shame and spitting.
7 ¶ For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I
set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.
8 *He is* near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who *is*
mine adversary? let him come near to me.*
9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who *is* he *that* shall condemn me? lo, they all shall
wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.
10 ¶ Who *is* among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that
walketh *in* darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay
upon his God.
11 Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass *yourselves* about with sparks: walk in the
light of your fire, and in the sparks *that* ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand;
ye shall lie down in sorrow.

51

1 Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the
rock *whence* ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit *whence* ye are digged.

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§§ **49:22** arms: Heb. bosom *** **49:23** nursing fathers: Heb. nourishers ††† **49:23** queens: Heb. princesses
‡‡‡ **49:24** lawful...: Heb. captivity of the just §§§ **49:25** captives: Heb. captivity * **49:26** sweet: or, new * **50:8**
mine...: Heb. the master of my cause?

2 Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah *that* bare you: for I called him alone,
and blessed him, and increased him.
3 For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make
her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall
be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.
4 ¶ Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: for a law shall
proceed from me, and I will make my judgment to rest for a light of the people.
5 My righteousness *is* near; my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the
people; the isles shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they trust.
6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall
vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell
therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness
shall not be abolished.
7 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart *is* my law;
fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.
8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool:
but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation.
9 ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in
the generations of old. *Art* thou not it that hath cut Rahab, *and* wounded the dragon?
10 *Art* thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made
the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?
11 Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion;
and everlasting joy *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow
and mourning shall flee away.
12 I, *even* I, *am* he that comforteth you: who *art* thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a
man *that* shall die, and of the son of man *which* shall be made *as* grass;
13 And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the
foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the
oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where *is* the fury of the oppressor?*
14 The captive exile hasteneth that he may be loosed, and that he should not die in the
pit, nor that his bread should fail.
15 But I *am* the LORD thy God, that divided the sea, whose waves roared: The LORD of
hosts *is* his name.
16 And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine
hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion,
Thou *art* my people.
17 ¶ Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the
cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, *and* wrung *them* out.
18 *There is* none to guide her among all the sons *whom* she hath brought forth; neither *is
there any* that taketh her by the hand of all the sons *that* she hath brought up.
19 These two *things* are come unto thee; who shall be sorry for thee? desolation, and
destruction, and the famine, and the sword: by whom shall I comfort thee?†‡
20 Thy sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net: they
are full of the fury of the LORD, the rebuke of thy God.
21 ¶ Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not with wine:
22 Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God *that* pleadeth the cause of his people,
Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, *even* the dregs of the cup of
my fury; thou shalt no more drink it again:
23 But I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee; which have said to thy soul, Bow
down, that we may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to
them that went over.

52

1 Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem,
the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the
unclean.
2 Shake thyself from the dust; arise, *and* sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the
bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.
3 For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed
without money.

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* **51:13** were...: or, made himself ready † **51:19** are...: Heb. happened ‡ **51:19** destruction: Heb. breaking

4 For thus saith the Lord GOD, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn
there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.
5 Now therefore, what have I here, saith the LORD, that my people is taken away for
nought? they that rule over them make them to howl, saith the LORD; and my name
continually every day *is* blasphemed.
6 Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore *they shall know* in that day that I
am he that doth speak: behold, *it is* I.
7 ¶ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that
publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith
unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!
8 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they
shall see eye to eye, when the LORD shall bring again Zion.
9 ¶ Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath
comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.
10 The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends
of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.
11 ¶ Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean *thing;* go ye out of the
midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD.
12 For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for the LORD will go before you; and
the God of Israel *will be* your rereward.*
13 ¶ Behold, my servant shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very
high.†
14 As many were astonied at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his
form more than the sons of men:
15 So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for *that*
which had not been told them shall they see; and *that* which they had not heard shall they
consider.

53

1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?*
2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he
hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should
desire him.
3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and
we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.†
4 ¶ Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him
stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
5 But he *was* wounded for our transgressions, *he was* bruised for our iniquities: the
chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.‡§
6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the
LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.**
7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as
a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his
mouth.
8 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation?
for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he
stricken.††‡‡
9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had
done no violence, neither *was any* deceit in his mouth.§§
10 ¶ Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: when thou shalt make
his soul an offering for sin, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure
of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.***
11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my
righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

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* **52:12** be...: Heb. gather you up † **52:13** deal...: or, prosper * **53:1** report: or, doctrine?: Heb. hearing? † **53:3** we hid...: or, he hid as it were his face from us: Heb. as an hiding of faces from him, or, from us ‡ **53:5** wounded: or, tormented § **53:5** stripes: Heb. bruise ** **53:6** laid...: Heb. made the iniquity of us all to meet on him †† **53:8** from prison...: or, away by distress and judgment: but, etc ‡‡ **53:8** was he...: Heb. was the stroke upon him §§ **53:9** death: Heb. deaths *** **53:10** thou...: or, his soul shall make an offering

12 Therefore will I divide him *a portion* with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with
the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the
transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

54

1 Sing, O barren, thou *that* didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou
that didst not travail with child: for more *are* the children of the desolate than the children
of the married wife, saith the LORD.
2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations:
spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;
3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit
the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.
4 Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not
be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the
reproach of thy widowhood any more.
5 For thy Maker *is* thine husband; the LORD of hosts *is* his name; and thy Redeemer the
Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called.*
6 For the LORD hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of
youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.
7 For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.
8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness
will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.
9 For this *is as* the waters of Noah unto me: for *as* I have sworn that the waters of Noah
should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor
rebuke thee.
10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not
depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that
hath mercy on thee.
11 ¶ O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, *and* not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones
with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.
12 And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders
of pleasant stones.
13 And all thy children *shall be* taught of the LORD; and great *shall be* the peace of thy
children.
14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou
shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.
15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, *but* not by me: whosoever shall gather
together against thee shall fall for thy sake.
16 Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth
forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.
17 ¶ No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall
rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of
the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD.

55

1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come
ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.
2 Wherefore do ye spend money for *that which is* not bread? and your labour for *that*
which satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye *that which is* good, and let
your soul delight itself in fatness.*
3 Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an
everlasting covenant with you, *even* the sure mercies of David.
4 Behold, I have given him *for* a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the
people.
5 Behold, thou shalt call a nation *that* thou knowest not, and nations *that* knew not thee
shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath
glorified thee.
6 ¶ Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:

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* **54:5** Maker: Heb. Makers
* **55:2** spend: Heb. weigh

7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him
return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will
abundantly pardon.†‡
8 ¶ For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the
LORD.
9 For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.
10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but
watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower,
and bread to the eater:
11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void,
but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent
it.
12 For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills
shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap *their* hands.
13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up
the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign *that* shall
not be cut off.

56

1 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation *is* near to come,
and my righteousness to be revealed.*
2 Blessed *is* the man *that* doeth this, and the son of man *that* layeth hold on it; that keepeth
the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil.
3 ¶ Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying,
The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I
am a dry tree.
4 For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose *the things*
that please me, and take hold of my covenant;
5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better
than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut
off.
6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to
love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from
polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;
7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of
prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices *shall be* accepted upon mine altar; for
mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.
8 The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather *others* to
him, beside those that are gathered unto him.†
9 ¶ All ye beasts of the field, come to devour, *yea*, all ye beasts in the forest.
10 His watchmen *are* blind: they are all ignorant, they *are* all dumb dogs, they cannot
bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.‡
11 Yea, *they are* greedy dogs *which* can never have enough, and they *are* shepherds
that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his
quarter.§**
12 Come ye, *say they*, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; and to
morrow shall be as this day, *and* much more abundant.

57

1 The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth *it* to heart: and merciful men *are* taken
away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil *to come*.*†
2 He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, *each one* walking *in* his
uprightness.‡§
3 ¶ But draw near hither, ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.

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† **55:7** the unrighteous...: Heb. the man of iniquity ‡ **55:7** abundantly...: Heb. multiply to pardon * **56:1** judgment: or, equity † **56:8** beside...: Heb. to his gathered ‡ **56:10** sleeping: or, dreaming, or, talking in their sleep § **56:11** greedy: Heb. strong of appetite ** **56:11** can...: Heb. know not to be satisfied * **57:1** merciful...: Heb. men of kindness, or, godliness † **57:1** from...: or, from that which is evil ‡ **57:2** enter into: or, go in § **57:2** in his...: or, before him

4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, *and* draw
out the tongue? *are* ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood,
5 Enflaming yourselves with idols under every green tree, slaying the children in the
valleys under the clifts of the rocks?**
6 Among the smooth *stones* of the stream *is* thy portion; they, they *are* thy lot: even to
them hast thou poured a drink offering, thou hast offered a meat offering. Should I receive
comfort in these?
7 Upon a lofty and high mountain hast thou set thy bed: even thither wentest thou up to
offer sacrifice.
8 Behind the doors also and the posts hast thou set up thy remembrance: for thou hast
discovered *thyself to another* than me, and art gone up; thou hast enlarged thy bed, and
made thee *a covenant* with them; thou lovedst their bed where thou sawest *it*.††‡‡
9 And thou wentest to the king with ointment, and didst increase thy perfumes, and didst
send thy messengers far off, and didst debase *thyself even* unto hell.§§
10 Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; *yet* saidst thou not, There is no hope:
thou hast found the life of thine hand; therefore thou wast not grieved.***
11 And of whom hast thou been afraid or feared, that thou hast lied, and hast not
remembered me, nor laid *it* to thy heart? have not I held my peace even of old, and thou
fearest me not?
12 I will declare thy righteousness, and thy works; for they shall not profit thee.
13 ¶ When thou criest, let thy companies deliver thee; but the wind shall carry them all
away; vanity shall take *them:* but he that putteth his trust in me shall possess the land, and
shall inherit my holy mountain;
14 And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumblingblock out
of the way of my people.
15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name *is* Holy; I
dwell in the high and holy *place*, with him also *that is* of a contrite and humble spirit, to
revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.
16 For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail
before me, and the souls *which* I have made.
17 For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was
wroth, and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.†††
18 I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto
him and to his mourners.
19 I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to *him that is* far off, and to *him that is* near,
saith the LORD; and I will heal him.
20 But the wicked *are* like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up
mire and dirt.
21 *There is* no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.

58

1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their
transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.*
2 Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness,
and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they
take delight in approaching to God.
3 ¶ Wherefore have we fasted, *say they*, and thou seest not? *wherefore* have we afflicted
our soul, and thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure,
and exact all your labours.†
4 Behold, ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: ye shall
not fast as *ye do this* day, to make your voice to be heard on high.‡
5 Is it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? *is it* to bow down
his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes *under him*? wilt thou call this a
fast, and an acceptable day to the LORD?§

** **57:5** with...: or, among the oaks †† **57:8** made...: or, hewed it for thyself larger than theirs ‡‡ **57:8** where...: or, thou providedst room §§ **57:9** thou...: or, thou respectedst *** **57:10** life: or, living ††† **57:17** frowardly: Heb. turning away * **58:1** aloud: Heb. with the throat † **58:3** labours: or, things wherewith ye grieve others: Heb. griefs ‡ **58:4** ye shall...: or, ye fast not as this day § **58:5** a day...: or, to afflict his soul for a day?

6 *Is* not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the
heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?**††
7 *Is it* not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to
thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself
from thine own flesh?‡‡
8 ¶ Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth
speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy
rereward.§§
9 Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here
I *am*. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and
speaking vanity;
10 And *if* thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall
thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness *be* as the noonday:
11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make
fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose
waters fail not.***†††
12 And *they that shall be* of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the
foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The
restorer of paths to dwell in.
13 ¶ If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on my holy day;
and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him,
not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking *thine own* words:
14 Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high
places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of
the LORD hath spoken *it*.

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1 Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy,
that it cannot hear:
2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid
his face from you, that he will not hear.*
3 For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have
spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.
4 None calleth for justice, nor *any* pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies;
they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.
5 They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs
dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper.†‡
6 Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their
works: their works *are* works of iniquity, and the act of violence *is* in their hands.
7 Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts *are*
thoughts of iniquity; wasting and destruction *are* in their paths.§
8 The way of peace they know not; and *there is* no judgment in their goings: they have
made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.**
9 ¶ Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light,
but behold obscurity; for brightness, *but* we walk in darkness.
10 We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if *we had* no eyes: we stumble at
noonday as in the night; *we are* in desolate places as dead *men*.
11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but *there is*
none; for salvation, *but* it is far off from us.
12 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us: for
our transgressions *are* with us; and *as for* our iniquities, we know them;
13 In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing away from our God, speak-
ing oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood.
14 And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is
fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

** **58:6** the heavy...: Heb. the bundles of the yoke †† **58:6** oppressed: Heb. broken ‡‡ **58:7** cast...: or, afflicted §§ **58:8** be...: Heb. gather thee up *** **58:11** drought: Heb. droughts ††† **58:11** fail: Heb. lie, or, deceive * **59:2** have hid: or, have made him hide † **59:5** cockatrice': or, adder's ‡ **59:5** crushed...: or, sprinkled is as if there brake out a viper § **59:7** destruction: Heb. breaking ** **59:8** judgment: or, right

15 Yea, truth faileth; and he *that* departeth from evil maketh himself a prey: and the LORD
saw *it*, and it displeased him that *there was* no judgment.††‡‡
16 ¶ And he saw that *there was* no man, and wondered that *there was* no intercessor:
therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.
17 For he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon his head;
and he put on the garments of vengeance *for* clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloke.
18 According to *their* deeds, accordingly he will repay, fury to his adversaries, recom-
pence to his enemies; to the islands he will repay recompence.§§
19 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising
of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a
standard against him.***
20 ¶ And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression
in Jacob, saith the LORD.
21 As for me, this *is* my covenant with them, saith the LORD; My spirit that *is* upon thee,
and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out
of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the LORD, from
henceforth and for ever.

60

1 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.*
2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the
LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.
3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.
4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come
to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at *thy* side.
5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged;
because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles
shall come unto thee.†‡
6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all
they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth
the praises of the LORD.
7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall
minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the
house of my glory.
8 Who *are* these *that* fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?
9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from
far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the
Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.
10 And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto
thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee.
11 Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that
men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and *that* their kings *may be* brought.§
12 For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, *those* nations
shall be utterly wasted.
13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box
together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet
glorious.
14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that
despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee,
The city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
15 Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through *thee*, I will
make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations.
16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and
thou shalt know that I the LORD *am* thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.
17 For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for
stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness.

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†† **59:15** maketh...: or, is accounted mad ‡‡ **59:15** it displeased...: Heb. it was evil in his eyes §§ **59:18** deeds: Heb. recompences *** **59:19** lift...: or, put him to flight * **60:1** shine...: or, be enlightened; for thy light cometh † **60:5** abundance...: or, noise of the sea shall be turned toward thee ‡ **60:5** forces: or, wealth § **60:11** forces: or, wealth

18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy
borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.
19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give
light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.
20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD
shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.
21 Thy people also *shall be* all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch
of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.
22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will
hasten it in his time.

61

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach
good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim
liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *them that are* bound;
2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to
comfort all that mourn;
3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil
of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be
called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.
4 ¶ And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and
they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.
5 And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien *shall be* your
plowmen and your vinedressers.
6 But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: *men* shall call you the Ministers of our
God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.
7 ¶ For your shame *ye shall have* double; and *for* confusion they shall rejoice in their
portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto
them.
8 For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their
work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.
9 And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the
people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they *are* the seed *which* the LORD
hath blessed.
10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed
me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as
a bridegroom decketh *himself* with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth *herself* with her
jewels.*
11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are
sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring
forth before all the nations.

62

1 For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until
the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp *that*
burneth.
2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be
called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name.
3 Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the
hand of thy God.
4 Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed
Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzi-bah, and thy land Beulah: for the LORD
delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.*†
5 ¶ For *as* a young man marrieth a virgin, *so* shall thy sons marry thee: and *as* the
bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, *so* shall thy God rejoice over thee.‡
6 I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, *which* shall never hold their peace
day nor night: ye that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence,§
7 And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.**

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* **61:10** decketh: Heb. decketh as a priest * **62:4** Hephzi-bah: that is, My delight is in her † **62:4** Beulah: that is, Married ‡ **62:5** as the...: Heb. with the joy of the bridegroom § **62:6** make...: or, are the LORD's remembrancers ** **62:7** rest: Heb. silence

8 The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, Surely I will
no more give thy corn *to be* meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not
drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured:††
9 But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the LORD; and they that have
brought it together shall drink it in the courts of my holiness.
10 ¶ Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up
the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people.
11 Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter
of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward *is* with him, and his work before
him.‡‡
12 And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt
be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.

63

1 Who *is* this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this *that*
is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in
righteousness, mighty to save.*
2 Wherefore *art thou* red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the
winefat?
3 I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people *there was* none with me: for I will
tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled
upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.
4 For the day of vengeance *is* in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.
5 And I looked, and *there was* none to help; and I wondered that *there was* none to uphold:
therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.
6 And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and
I will bring down their strength to the earth.
7 ¶ I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, *and* the praises of the LORD,
according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the
house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according
to the multitude of his lovingkindnesses.
8 For he said, Surely they *are* my people, children *that* will not lie: so he was their Saviour.
9 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his
love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of
old.
10 ¶ But they rebelled, and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their
enemy, *and* he fought against them.
11 Then he remembered the days of old, Moses, *and* his people, *saying*, Where *is* he that
brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? where *is* he that put his holy
Spirit within him?†
12 That led *them* by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm, dividing the water
before them, to make himself an everlasting name?
13 That led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness, *that* they should not
stumble?
14 As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest: so didst
thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name.
15 ¶ Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy
glory: where *is* thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels and of thy mercies
toward me? are they restrained?‡
16 Doubtless thou *art* our father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowl-
edge us not: thou, O LORD, *art* our father, our redeemer; thy name *is* from everlasting.§
17 ¶ O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, *and* hardened our heart from
thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.
18 The people of thy holiness have possessed *it* but a little while: our adversaries have
trodden down thy sanctuary.
19 We are *thine:* thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy name.**

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†† **62:8** Surely...: Heb. If I give, etc ‡‡ **62:11** work: or, recompence * **63:1** glorious: Heb. decked † **63:11** shepherd: or, shepherds ‡ **63:15** the sounding: or, the multitude § **63:16** our redeemer...: or, our redeemer from everlasting is thy name ** **63:19** they...: Heb. thy name was not called upon them

64

1 Oh that thou wouldest rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come down, that the
mountains might flow down at thy presence,
2 As *when* the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name
known to thine adversaries, *that* the nations may tremble at thy presence!*
3 When thou didst terrible things *which* we looked not for, thou camest down, the
mountains flowed down at thy presence.
4 For since the beginning of the world *men* have not heard, nor perceived by the ear,
neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, *what* he hath prepared for him that waiteth
for him.†
5 Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, *those that* remember thee
in thy ways: behold, thou art wroth; for we have sinned: in those is continuance, and we
shall be saved.
6 But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and
we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.
7 And *there is* none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of
thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.‡§
8 But now, O LORD, thou *art* our father; we *are* the clay, and thou our potter; and we all
are the work of thy hand.
9 ¶ Be not wroth very sore, O LORD, neither remember iniquity for ever: behold, see, we
beseech thee, we *are* all thy people.
10 Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.
11 Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee, is burned up with
fire: and all our pleasant things are laid waste.
12 Wilt thou refrain thyself for these *things*, O LORD? wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict
us very sore?

65

1 I am sought of *them that* asked not *for me;* I am found of *them that* sought me not: I said,
Behold me, behold me, unto a nation *that* was not called by my name.
2 I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way
that was not good, after their own thoughts;
3 A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that sacrificeth in gardens,
and burneth incense upon altars of brick;*
4 Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, which eat swine's flesh,
and broth of abominable *things is in* their vessels;†
5 Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou. These *are*
a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day.‡
6 Behold, *it is* written before me: I will not keep silence, but will recompense, even
recompense into their bosom,
7 Your iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, saith the LORD, which have
burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills: therefore will I
measure their former work into their bosom.
8 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and *one* saith, Destroy
it not; for a blessing *is* in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them
all.
9 And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains:
and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.
10 And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie
down in, for my people that have sought me.
11 ¶ But ye *are* they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a
table for that troop, and that furnish the drink offering unto that number.§**
12 Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter:
because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before
mine eyes, and did choose *that* wherein I delighted not.

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* **64:2** the melting...: Heb. the fire of meltings † **64:4** seen...: or, seen a God beside thee, which doeth so for him, etc ‡ **64:7** consumed: Heb. melted § **64:7** because: Heb. by the hand * **65:3** upon...: Heb. upon bricks † **65:4** broth: or, pieces ‡ **65:5** nose: or, anger § **65:11** troop: or, Gad ** **65:11** number: or, Meni, a pagan god

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, my servants shall eat, but ye shall be
hungry: behold, my servants shall drink, but ye shall be thirsty: behold, my servants shall
rejoice, but ye shall be ashamed:
14 Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and
shall howl for vexation of spirit.††
15 And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for the Lord GOD shall slay
thee, and call his servants by another name:
16 That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and
he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles
are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.
17 ¶ For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be
remembered, nor come into mind.‡‡
18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever *in that* which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem
a rejoicing, and her people a joy.
19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall
be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.
20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his
days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner *being* an hundred years
old shall be accursed.
21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit *them;* and they shall plant vineyards, and eat
the fruit of them.
22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as
the days of a tree *are* the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of
their hands.§§
23 They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they *are* the seed of the
blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them.
24 And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet
speaking, I will hear.
25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock:
and dust *shall be* the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy
mountain, saith the LORD.

66

1 Thus saith the LORD, The heaven *is* my throne, and the earth *is* my footstool: where *is*
the house that ye build unto me? and where *is* the place of my rest?
2 For all those *things* hath mine hand made, and all those *things* have been, saith the
LORD: but to this *man* will I look, *even* to *him that is* poor and of a contrite spirit, and
trembleth at my word.
3 He that killeth an ox *is as if* he slew a man; he that sacrificeth a lamb, *as if* he cut off
a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation, *as if he offered* swine's blood; he that burneth
incense, *as if* he blessed an idol. Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul
delighteth in their abominations.*†
4 I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when
I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine
eyes, and chose *that* in which I delighted not.‡
5 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you,
that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear
to your joy, and they shall be ashamed.
6 A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the LORD that
rendereth recompence to his enemies.
7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a
man child.
8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to
bring forth in one day? *or* shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she
brought forth her children.
9 Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to
bring forth, and shut *the womb*? saith thy God.§

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†† **65:14** vexation: Heb. breaking ‡‡ **65:17** come...: Heb. come upon the heart §§ **65:22** shall long...: Heb. shall make them continue long, or, shall wear out * **66:3** lamb: or, kid † **66:3** burneth: Heb. maketh a memorial of ‡ **66:4** delusions: or, devices § **66:9** not...: or, not beget?

10 Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with
her, all ye that mourn for her:
11 That ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations; that ye may
milk out, and be delighted with the abundance of her glory.**
12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of
the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon *her* sides, and
be dandled upon *her* knees.
13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted
in Jerusalem.
14 And when ye see *this,* your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an
herb: and the hand of the LORD shall be known toward his servants, and *his* indignation
toward his enemies.
15 For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to
render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.
16 For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the
LORD shall be many.
17 They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens behind one *tree*
in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed
together, saith the LORD.††
18 For I *know* their works and their thoughts: it shall come, that I will gather all nations
and tongues; and they shall come, and see my glory.
19 And I will set a sign among them, and I will send those that escape of them unto the
nations, *to* Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw the bow, *to* Tubal, and Javan, *to* the isles afar
off, that have not heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; and they shall declare my
glory among the Gentiles.
20 And they shall bring all your brethren *for* an offering unto the LORD out of all nations
upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to my
holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a
clean vessel into the house of the LORD.‡‡
21 And I will also take of them for priests *and* for Levites, saith the LORD.
22 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me,
saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.
23 And it shall come to pass, *that* from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath
to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.§§
24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed
against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they
shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.

** **66:11** abundance: or, brightness †† **66:17** behind...: or, one after another ‡‡ **66:20** litters: or, coaches
§§ **66:23** from one new...: Heb. from new moon to his new moon, and from sabbath to his sabbath

The Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

1 The words of Jeremiah 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 camest 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 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, saith the LORD; and they
shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem,
and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.
16 And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have
forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their
own hands.
17 ¶ Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command
thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.§
18 For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen
walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against
the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.
19 And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I *am* with
thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

2

1 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
2 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember thee,
the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the
wilderness, in a land *that was* not sown.*
3 Israel *was* holiness unto the LORD, *and* the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour
him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD.
4 Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of
Israel:
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, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought,
and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man
dwelt?

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* **1:5** ordained: Heb. gave † **1:13** toward...: Heb. from the face of the north ‡ **1:14** shall...: Heb. shall be opened
§ **1:17** confound: or, break to pieces * **2:2** thee: or, for thy sake

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 abomi-
nation.†
8 The priests said not, Where *is* the LORD? and they that handle the law knew me not:
the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked
after *things that* do not profit.
9 ¶ Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith the LORD, and with your children's children
will I plead.
10 For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently,
and see if there be such a thing.‡
11 Hath a nation changed *their* gods, which *are* yet no gods? but my people have changed
their glory for *that which* doth not profit.
12 Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith
the LORD.
13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living
waters, *and* hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.
14 ¶ *Is* Israel a servant? *is* he a homeborn *slave*? why is he spoiled?§
15 The young lions roared upon him, *and* yelled, and they made his land waste: his cities
are burned without inhabitant.**
16 Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes have broken the crown of thy head.††
17 Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God,
when he led thee by the way?
18 And now what hast thou to do in the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? or
what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?
19 Thine own wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee:
know therefore and see that *it is* an evil *thing* and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the LORD
thy God, and that my fear *is* not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.
20 ¶ For of old time I have broken thy yoke, *and* burst thy bands; and thou saidst, I will not
transgress; when upon every high hill and under every green tree thou wanderest, playing
the harlot.‡‡
21 Yet I had planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art thou turned into
the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me?
22 For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much soap, *yet* thine iniquity is
marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.
23 How canst thou say, I am not polluted, I have not gone after Baalim? see thy way in the
valley, know what thou hast done: *thou art* a swift dromedary traversing her ways;§§
24 A wild ass used to the wilderness, *that* snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her
occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her
month they shall find her.***†††‡‡‡§§§
25 Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but thou saidst, There
is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.*
26 As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their
kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets,
27 Saying to a stock, Thou *art* my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for
they have turned *their* back unto me, and not *their* face: but in the time of their trouble
they will say, Arise, and save us.††‡
28 But where *are* thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can save thee
in the time of thy trouble: for *according to* the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Judah.§
29 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against me, saith the LORD.
30 In vain have I smitten your children; they received no correction: your own sword
hath devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.
31 ¶ O generation, see ye the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel?
a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, We are lords; we will come no more unto
thee?**

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† **2:7** a plentiful...: or, the land of Carmel ‡ **2:10** over: or, over to § **2:14** spoiled: Heb. become a spoil? ** **2:15** yelled: Heb. gave out their voice †† **2:16** have...: or, feed on thy crown ‡‡ **2:20** transgress: or, serve §§ **2:23** thou art...: or, O swift dromedary *** **2:24** A wild...: or, O wild ass, etc ††† **2:24** used: Heb. taught ‡‡‡ **2:24** her pleasure: Heb. the desire of her heart §§§ **2:24** turn...: or, reverse it? * **2:25** There...: or, Is the case desperate? † **2:27** brought...: or, begotten me ‡ **2:27** their back: Heb. the hinder part of the neck § **2:28** trouble: Heb. evil ** **2:31** We are...: Heb. We have dominion

32 Can a maid forget her ornaments, *or* a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten
me days without number.
33 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked
ones thy ways.
34 Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the souls of the poor innocents: I have not found
it by secret search, but upon all these.††
35 Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I
will plead with thee, because thou sayest, I have not sinned.
36 Why gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? thou also shalt be ashamed of
Egypt, as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.
37 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath
rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.

3

1 They say, If a man put away his wife, and she go from him, and become another man's,
shall he return unto her again? shall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou hast played
the harlot with many lovers; yet return again to me, saith the LORD.*
2 Lift up thine eyes unto the high places, and see where thou hast not been lien with. In
the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and thou hast polluted
the land with thy whoredoms and with thy wickedness.
3 Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and
thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.
4 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou *art* the guide of my youth?
5 Will he reserve *his anger* for ever? will he keep *it* to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken
and done evil things as thou couldest.
6 ¶ The LORD said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen *that* which
backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every
green tree, and there hath played the harlot.
7 And I said after she had done all these *things*, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not.
And her treacherous sister Judah saw *it*.
8 And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had
put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not,
but went and played the harlot also.
9 And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land,
and committed adultery with stones and with stocks.†
10 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her
whole heart, but feignedly, saith the LORD.‡
11 And the LORD said unto me, The 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 mine 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 visit *it;* neither
shall *that* be done any more.§**
17 At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall
be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any
more after the imagination of their evil heart.††

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†† **2:34** secret...: Heb. digging * **3:1** They say: Heb. Saying † **3:9** lightness: or, fame ‡ **3:10** feignedly: Heb. in falsehood § **3:16** come to mind: Heb. come upon the heart ** **3:16** that...: or, it be magnified †† **3:17** imagination: or, stubbornness

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 Return, ye backsliding children, *and* I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come
unto thee; for thou *art* the LORD our God.
23 Truly in vain *is salvation hoped for* from the hills, *and from* the multitude of mountains:
truly in the LORD our God *is* the salvation of Israel.
24 For shame hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our 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.

4

1 If thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away
thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove.
2 And thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and
the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory.
3 ¶ For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow
ground, and sow not among thorns.
4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men
of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none
can quench *it*, because of the evil of your doings.
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 a 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.
10 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and
Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.
11 At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, A dry wind of the high
places in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, not to fan, nor to cleanse,
12 *Even* a full wind from those *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 spoiled.
14 O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long
shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?
15 For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim.
16 Make ye mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, *that* watchers
come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah.

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‡‡ **3:18** with: or, to §§ **3:18** given...: or, caused your fathers to possess *** **3:19** from me: Heb. from after me
††† **3:19** a goodly...: Heb. an heritage of glory, or, beauty ‡‡‡ **3:19** pleasant...: Heb. land of desire §§§ **3:20**
husband: Heb. friend * **4:6** retire: or, strengthen † **4:6** destruction: Heb. breaking ‡ **4:12** a full...: or, a fuller
wind than those § **4:12** give...: Heb. utter judgments

17 As keepers of a field, are they against her round about; because she hath been
rebellious against me, saith the LORD.
18 Thy way and thy doings have procured these *things* unto thee; this *is* thy wickedness,
because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart.
19 ¶ My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at my very heart; my heart maketh a noise in
me; I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet,
the alarm of war.**
20 Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my
tents spoiled, *and* my curtains in a moment.
21 How long shall I see the standard, *and* hear the sound of the trumpet?
22 For my people *is* foolish, they have not known me; they *are* sottish children, and they
have none understanding: they *are* wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.
23 I beheld the earth, and, lo, *it was* without form, 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 birds of the heavens 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 For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a
full end.
28 For this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black: because I have spoken
it, I have purposed *it*, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it.
29 The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they shall go into
thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: every city *shall be* forsaken, and not a man dwell
therein.
30 And *when* thou *art* spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with
crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou rentest thy face
with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair; *thy* lovers will despise thee, they will
seek thy life.††
31 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, *and* the anguish as of her that
bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, *that* bewaileth herself, *that*
spreadeth her hands, *saying*, Woe *is* me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers.

5

1 Run ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in
the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be *any* that executeth judgment, that
seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it.
2 And though they say, The LORD liveth; surely they swear falsely.
3 O LORD, *are* not thine eyes upon the truth? thou hast stricken them, but they have not
grieved; thou hast consumed them, *but* they have refused to receive correction: they have
made their faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return.
4 Therefore I said, Surely these *are* poor; they are foolish: for they know not the way of
the LORD, *nor* the judgment of their God.
5 I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for they have known the way
of the LORD, *and* the judgment of their God: but these have altogether broken the yoke, *and*
burst the bonds.
6 Wherefore a lion out of the forest shall slay them, *and* a wolf of the evenings shall spoil
them, a leopard shall watch over their cities: every one that goeth out thence shall be torn
in pieces: because their transgressions are many, *and* their backslidings are increased.*†
7 ¶ How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me, and sworn by
them that are no gods: when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and
assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.
8 They were *as* fed horses in the morning: every one neighed after his neighbour's wife.
9 Shall I not visit for these *things*? saith the LORD: and shall not my soul be avenged on
such a nation as this?
10 ¶ Go ye up upon her walls, and destroy; but make not a full end: take away her
battlements; for they *are* not the LORD's.
11 For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very treacherously against
me, saith the LORD.

** **4:19** my very...: Heb. the walls of my heart †† **4:30** face: Heb. eyes * **5:6** evenings: or, deserts † **5:6** are increased: Heb. are strong

12 They have belied the LORD, and said, *It is* not he; neither shall evil come upon us;
neither shall we see sword nor famine:
13 And the prophets shall become wind, and the word *is* not in them: thus shall it be done
unto them.
14 Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, Because ye speak this word, behold, I will
make my words in thy mouth fire, and this people wood, and it shall devour them.
15 Lo, I will bring a nation upon you from far, O house of Israel, saith the LORD: it *is* a
mighty nation, it *is* an ancient nation, a nation whose language thou knowest not, neither
understandest what they say.
16 Their quiver *is* as an open sepulchre, they *are* all mighty men.
17 And they shall eat up thine harvest, and thy bread, *which* thy sons and thy daughters
should eat: they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds: they shall eat up thy vines and thy
fig trees: they shall impoverish thy fenced cities, wherein thou trustedst, with the sword.
18 Nevertheless in those days, saith the LORD, I will not make a full end with you.
19 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when ye shall say, Wherefore doeth the LORD our God
all these *things* unto us? then shalt thou answer them, Like as ye have forsaken me, and
served strange gods in your land, so shall ye serve strangers in a land *that is* not yours.
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 Fear ye not me? saith the LORD: will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed
the sand *for* the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though
the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they
not pass over it?
23 But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone.
24 Neither say they in their heart, Let us now fear the LORD our God, that giveth rain,
both the former and the latter, in his season: he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of
the harvest.
25 ¶ Your iniquities have turned away these *things*, and your sins have withholden good
things from you.
26 For among my people are found wicked *men:* they lay wait, as he that setteth snares;
they set a trap, they catch men.§
27 As 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 shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge
not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do
they not judge.
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 land;††
31 The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people
love *to have it* so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?‡‡

6

1 O ye children of Benjamin, gather yourselves to flee out of the midst of Jerusalem, and
blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and set up a sign of fire in Beth-haccerem: for evil appeareth
out of the north, and great destruction.
2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate *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 Prepare ye war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe unto us! for the day
goeth away, for the shadows of the evening are stretched out.
5 Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.
6 ¶ For thus hath the LORD of hosts said, Hew ye down trees, and cast a mount against
Jerusalem: this *is* the city to be visited; she *is* wholly oppression in the midst of her.†
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.

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‡ **5:21** understanding: Heb. heart § **5:26** they lay...: or, they pry as fowlers lie in wait ** **5:27** cage: or, coop
†† **5:30** A wonderful...: or, Astonishment and filthiness ‡‡ **5:31** bear...: or, take into their hands * **6:2** comely: or, dwelling at home † **6:6** cast...: or, pour out the engine of shot

8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate,
a land not inhabited.‡
9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall throughly glean the remnant of Israel as a
vine: turn back thine hand as a grapegatherer into the baskets.
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.
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 dealeth falsely.
14 They have healed also the hurt *of the daughter* of my people slightly, saying, Peace,
peace; when *there is* no peace.§
15 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all
ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore they shall fall among them that fall: at the
time *that* I visit them they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.
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*.
17 Also I set watchmen over you, *saying*, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they
said, We will not hearken.
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 the sweet cane 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 *are* cruel, and have no mercy; their voice
roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O
daughter of Zion.
24 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: anguish hath taken hold of
us, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.
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 wallow 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.
29 The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain:
for the wicked are not plucked away.
30 Reprobate silver shall *men* call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.**

7

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
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 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and
I will cause you to dwell in this place.

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‡ **6:8** depart: Heb. be loosed, or, disjointed § **6:14** hurt: Heb. bruise, or, breach ** **6:30** Reprobate...: or, Refuse silver

4 Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD,
The temple of the LORD, *are* these.
5 For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment
between a man and his neighbour;
6 *If* ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent
blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt:
7 Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers, for
ever and ever.
8 ¶ Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit.
9 Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto
Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not;
10 And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We
are delivered to do all these abominations?*
11 Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes?
Behold, even I have seen *it*, saith the LORD.
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 you and 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 hear thee.
17 ¶ Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem?
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; Put your burnt offerings unto your
sacrifices, and eat flesh.
22 For I spake not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them
out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices:‡
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 to
thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee.
28 But thou shalt say unto them, This *is* a nation that obeyeth not the voice of the LORD
their God, nor receiveth correction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.††
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 pollute it.
31 And they have built the high places of Tophet, which *is* in the valley of the son of
Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; which I commanded *them* not,
neither came it into my heart.‡‡

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* **7:10** which...: Heb. whereupon my name is called † **7:18** queen...: or, frame, or, workmanship of heaven ‡ **7:22** concerning: Heb. concerning the matter of § **7:24** imagination: or, stubbornness ** **7:24** went: Heb. were †† **7:28** correction: or, instruction ‡‡ **7:31** came...: Heb. came it upon 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 bridegroom, and the voice of
the bride: for the land shall be desolate.

8

1 At that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and
the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and
the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves:
2 And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven,
whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked,
and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered,
nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.
3 And death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this
evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of
hosts.
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 by a perpetual backsliding? 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?†‡
10 Therefore will I give their wives unto others, *and* their fields to them that shall inherit
them: for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness, from
the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.
11 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace,
peace; when *there is* no peace.
12 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all
ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the
time of their visitation they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.§
13 ¶ I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: *there shall be* no grapes on the vine, nor
figs on the fig tree, and the leaf shall fade; and *the things that* I have given them shall pass
away from them.
14 Why do we sit still? assemble yourselves, and let us enter into the defenced cities, and
let us be silent there: for the LORD our God hath put us to silence, and given us water of
gall to drink, because we have sinned against the LORD.**
15 We looked for peace, but no good *came; and* for a time of health, and behold trouble!
16 The snorting of his horses was heard from Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound
of the neighing of his strong ones; for they are come, and have devoured the land, and all
that is in it; the city, and those that dwell therein.††
17 For, behold, I will send serpents, cockatrices, among you, which *will* not *be* charmed,
and they shall bite you, saith the LORD.
18 ¶ *When* I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart *is* faint in me.‡‡

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* **8:8** in vain made...: or, the false pen of the scribes worketh for falsehood † **8:9** The wise...: or, Have they been ashamed, etc ‡ **8:9** what...: Heb. the wisdom of what thing § **8:12** I will...: or, In gathering I will consume ** **8:14** gall: or, poison †† **8:16** all...: Heb. the fulness thereof ‡‡ **8:18** in: Heb. upon

19 Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people because of them that dwell in
a far country: *Is* not the LORD in Zion? *is* not her king in her? Why have they provoked me
to anger with their graven images, *and* with strange vanities?§§
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 physician there? why then is not the health of
the daughter of my people recovered?***

9

1 Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day
and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!*
2 Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my
people, and go from them! for they *be* all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.
3 And they bend their tongues *like* their bow *for* lies: but they are not valiant for the truth
upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, saith the LORD.
4 Take ye heed every one of his neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every
brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders.†
5 And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have
taught their tongue to speak lies, *and* weary themselves to commit iniquity.‡
6 Thine habitation *is* in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, saith
the LORD.
7 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will melt them, and try them; for how
shall I do for the daughter of my people?
8 Their tongue *is as* an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: *one* speaketh peaceably to his
neighbour with his mouth, but in heart he layeth his wait.§**
9 ¶ Shall I not visit them for these *things*? saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged
on such a nation as this?
10 For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the habitations of
the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none can pass through
them; neither can *men* hear the voice of the cattle; both the fowl of the heavens and the
beast are fled; they are gone.††‡‡§§
11 And I will make Jerusalem heaps, *and* a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of
Judah desolate, without an inhabitant.***
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?
13 And the LORD saith, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and
have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein;
14 But have walked after the imagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, which
their fathers taught them:†††
15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, *even*
this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.
16 I will scatter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have
known: and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them.
17 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Consider ye, and call for the mourning women, that
they may come; and send for cunning *women*, that they may come:
18 And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down
with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters.
19 For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we spoiled! we are greatly
confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast *us* out.
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.

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§§ **8:19** them...: Heb. the country of them that are far off *** **8:22** recovered: Heb. gone up? * **9:1** Oh...: Heb. Who will give my head, etc † **9:4** neighbour: or, friend ‡ **9:5** deceive: or, mock § **9:8** in heart: Heb. in the midst of him ** **9:8** his wait: or, wait for him †† **9:10** habitations: or, pastures ‡‡ **9:10** burned up: or, desolate §§ **9:10** both...: Heb. from the fowl even to, etc *** **9:11** desolate: Heb. desolation ††† **9:14** imagination: or, stubbornness

22 Speak, Thus saith the LORD, Even the carcases of men shall fall as dung upon the open
field, and as the handful after the harvestman, and none shall gather *them*.
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 exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth:
for in these *things* I delight, saith the LORD.
25 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will punish all *them which are*
circumcised 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: for all *these* nations *are* uncircumcised,
and all the house of Israel *are* uncircumcised in the heart.§§§

10

1 Hear ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:
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.
3 For the customs of the people *are* vain: for *one* cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work
of the hands of the workman, with the axe.*
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 go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do 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 altogether brutish and foolish: the stock *is* a doctrine of vanities.‡
9 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Uphaz, the work of
the workman, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple *is* their clothing: they *are*
all the work of cunning *men*.
10 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 them, 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 once,
and will distress them, that they may find *it so*.
19 ¶ Woe is me for my hurt! my wound is grievous: but I said, Truly this *is* a grief, and I
must bear it.
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.

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‡‡‡ **9:25** punish: Heb. visit upon §§§ **9:26** in the utmost...: Heb. cut off into corners, or, having the corners of their hair polled * **10:3** customs...: Heb. statutes, or, ordinances are vanity † **10:7** to...: or, it liketh thee ‡ **10:8** altogether: Heb. in one, or, at once § **10:10** true...: Heb. God of truth ** **10:10** living God: Heb. living Gods †† **10:10** everlasting...: Heb. king of eternity ‡‡ **10:13** multitude: or, noise §§ **10:13** with: or, for *** **10:14** brutish in his knowledge: or, more brutish than to know ††† **10:17** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress

21 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the LORD: therefore they
shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.
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 LORD, I know that the way of man *is* not in himself: *it is* not in man that walketh
to direct his steps.
24 O LORD, 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

1 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 LORD God of Israel; Cursed *be* the man that
obeyeth 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 your 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 LORD.*
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 Israel and the house 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 hearken unto them.‡
12 Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go, and cry unto the gods
unto whom they offer incense: but they shall not save them at all in the time of their
trouble.§
13 For *according to* the number of thy cities were thy gods, O Judah; and *according to* the
number of the streets of Jerusalem have ye set up altars to *that* shameful thing, *even* altars
to burn incense unto Baal.**
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? when thou doest evil, then thou rejoicest.‡‡§§
16 The LORD called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, *and* of goodly fruit: with the noise
of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.
17 For the LORD of hosts, that planted thee, hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil
of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves
to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto Baal.
18 ¶ And the LORD hath given me knowledge *of it*, and I know *it:* then thou shewedst me
their doings.
19 But I *was* like a lamb *or* an ox *that* is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they
had devised devices against me, *saying*, Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof, and let
us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered.***

‡‡‡ **10:24** bring...: Heb. diminish me * **11:5** So...: Heb. Amen † **11:8** imagination: or, stubbornness ‡ **11:11** to escape: Heb. to go forth of § **11:12** trouble: Heb. evil ** **11:13** shameful...: Heb. shame †† **11:14** trouble: Heb. evil ‡‡ **11:15** What...: Heb. What is to my beloved in my house §§ **11:15** when...: or, when thy evil is *** **11:19** the tree...: Heb. the stalk with his bread

20 But, O LORD of hosts, that judgest righteously, that triest the reins and the heart, let me
see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.
21 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek thy life, saying,
Prophesy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:
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 bring evil upon the men of Anathoth,
even the year of their visitation.

12

1 Righteous *art* thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: yet let me talk with thee of *thy*
judgments: Wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy
that deal very treacherously?*
2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: they grow, yea, they bring forth
fruit: thou *art* near in their mouth, and far from their reins.†
3 But thou, O LORD, knowest me: thou hast seen me, and tried mine heart toward thee:
pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.‡
4 How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the wickedness
of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, He
shall not see our last end.
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 ¶ I have forsaken mine house, I have left mine heritage; I have given the dearly beloved
of my soul into the hand of her enemies.††
8 Mine heritage is unto me as a lion in the forest; it crieth out against me: therefore have
I hated it.‡‡
9 Mine heritage *is* unto me *as* a speckled bird, the birds round about *are* against her; come
ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to devour.§§***
10 Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my portion under foot,
they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.†††
11 They have made it desolate, *and being* desolate it mourneth unto me; the whole land
is made desolate, because no man layeth *it* to heart.
12 The spoilers are come upon all high places through the wilderness: for the sword of
the LORD shall devour from the *one* end of the land even to the *other* end of the land: no
flesh shall have peace.
13 They have sown wheat, but shall reap thorns: they have put themselves to pain, *but*
shall not profit: and they shall be ashamed of your revenues because of the fierce anger of
the LORD.‡‡‡
14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD against all mine evil neighbours, that touch the inheritance
which I have caused my people Israel to inherit; Behold, I will pluck them out of their land,
and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.
15 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have
compassion on them, and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man
to his land.
16 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to swear
by my name, The LORD liveth; as they taught my people to swear by Baal; then shall they
be built in the midst of my people.
17 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

13

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

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††† **11:22** punish: Heb. visit upon * **12:1** talk...: or, reason the case with thee † **12:2** they grow: Heb. they go on ‡ **12:3** toward...: Heb. with thee § **12:6** they have called...: or, they cried after thee fully ** **12:6** fair...: Heb. good things †† **12:7** the dearly...: Heb. the love ‡‡ **12:8** crieth...: or, yelleth: Heb. giveth out his voice §§ **12:9** speckled: or, taloned *** **12:9** come to: or, cause them to come to ††† **12:10** pleasant...: Heb. portion of desire ‡‡‡ **12:13** they shall: or, ye shall

2 So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put *it* on my loins.
3 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,
4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which *is* upon thy loins, and arise, go to Euphrates,
and hide it there in a hole of the rock.
5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me.
6 And it came to pass after many days, that the LORD said unto me, Arise, go to Euphrates,
and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.
7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had
hid it: and, behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for nothing.
8 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
9 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride
of Jerusalem.
10 This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the imagination of
their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be
as this girdle, which is good for nothing.*
11 For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man, so have I caused to cleave unto me the
whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD; that they might be
unto me for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not
hear.
12 ¶ Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; Thus saith the LORD God of Israel,
Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto thee, Do we not certainly
know that every bottle shall be filled with wine?
13 Then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will fill all the
inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and
the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness.
14 And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith
the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them.†‡
15 ¶ Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.
16 Give glory to the LORD your God, before he cause darkness, and before your feet
stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye look for light, he turn it into the shadow
of death, *and* make *it* gross darkness.
17 But if ye will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for *your* pride; and mine
eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because the LORD's flock is carried away
captive.
18 Say unto the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down: for your principali-
ties shall come down, *even* the crown of your glory.§
19 The cities of the south shall be shut up, and none shall open *them:* Judah shall be
carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.
20 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north: where *is* the flock *that*
was given thee, thy beautiful flock?
21 What wilt thou say when he shall punish thee? for thou hast taught them *to be* captains,
and as chief over thee: shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail?**
22 ¶ And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me? For the
greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, *and* thy heels made bare.††
23 Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? *then* may ye also do good,
that are accustomed to do evil.‡‡
24 Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble that passeth away by the wind of the
wilderness.
25 This *is* thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the LORD; because thou hast
forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.
26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may 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*?§§

14

1 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning the dearth.*

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* **13:10** imagination: or, stubbornness † **13:14** one...: Heb. a man against his brother ‡ **13:14** but...: Heb. from destroying them § **13:18** principalities: or, head tires ** **13:21** punish: Heb visit upon †† **13:22** made...: or, shall be violently taken away ‡‡ **13:23** accustomed: Heb. taught §§ **13:27** when...: Heb. after when yet? * **14:1** the dearth: Heb. the words of the dearths, or, restraints

2 Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; 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 in the earth, the plowmen were
ashamed, they covered their heads.
5 Yea, the hind 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 *it* 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 shouldest thou be as a
stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man *that* turneth aside to tarry for a night?
9 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man *that* cannot save? yet thou,
O LORD, *art* in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name; leave us not.†
10 ¶ Thus saith the LORD unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not
refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doth not accept them; he will now remember their
iniquity, and visit their sins.
11 Then said the LORD unto me, Pray not for this people for *their* good.
12 When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and an
oblation, I will not accept them: but I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine,
and by the pestilence.
13 ¶ Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the
sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you assured peace in this place.‡
14 Then the LORD said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not,
neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false
vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.
15 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name,
and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land; By sword and
famine shall those prophets be consumed.
16 And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem
because of the famine and the sword; and they shall have none to bury them, them, their
wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them.
17 ¶ Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; Let mine eyes run down with tears
night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with
a great breach, with a very grievous blow.
18 If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the
city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest go
about into a land that they know not.§
19 Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? hath thy soul lothed Zion? why hast thou smitten us,
and *there is* no healing for us? we looked for peace, and *there is* no good; and for the time
of healing, and behold trouble!
20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, *and* the iniquity of our fathers: for we have
sinned against thee.
21 Do not abhor *us*, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory:
remember, break not thy covenant with us.
22 Are there *any* among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the
heavens give showers? *art* not thou he, O LORD our God? therefore we will wait upon
thee: for thou hast made all these *things*.

15

1 Then said the LORD unto me, Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, *yet* my mind
could not *be* toward this people: cast *them* out of my sight, and let them go forth.
2 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee, Whither shall we go forth? then thou
shalt tell them, Thus saith the LORD; Such as *are* for death, to death; and such as *are* for the
sword, to the sword; and such as *are* for the famine, to the famine; and such as *are* for the
captivity, to the captivity.

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† **14:9** we...: Heb. thy name is called upon us ‡ **14:13** assured...: Heb. peace of truth § **14:18** go about...: or, make merchandise against a land, and men acknowledge it not

3 And I will appoint over them four kinds, saith the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs
to tear, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy.*
4 And I will cause them to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth, because of
Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for *that* which he did in Jerusalem.†
5 For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall bemoan thee? or who
shall go aside to ask how thou doest?‡
6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch
out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.
7 And I will fan them with a fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave *them* of children, I
will destroy my people, *since* they return not from their ways.§
8 Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas: I have brought upon them
against the mother of the young men a spoiler at noonday: I have caused *him* to fall upon
it suddenly, and terrors upon the city.**
9 She that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; her sun is gone
down while *it was* yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of
them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, saith the LORD.
10 ¶ Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of
contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on
usury; *yet* every one of them doth curse me.
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?
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* to pass with thine enemies into a land *which* thou knowest not:
for a fire is kindled in mine anger, *which* shall burn upon you.
15 ¶ O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my
persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that for thy sake I have suffered
rebuke.
16 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and
rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.‡‡
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 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, *which* refuseth to be healed? wilt
thou be altogether unto me as a liar, *and as* waters *that* fail?§§
19 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, *and* thou
shalt stand before me: and if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my
mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.
20 And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brasen wall: and they shall fight against
thee, but they shall not prevail against thee: for I *am* with thee to save thee and to deliver
thee, saith the LORD.
21 And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the
hand of the terrible.

16

1 The word of the LORD came also unto me, saying,
2 Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.
3 For thus saith the LORD concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are
born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their
fathers that begat them in this land;
4 They shall die of grievous deaths; they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be
buried; *but* they shall be as dung upon the face of the earth: and they shall be consumed
by the sword, and by famine; and their carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and
for the beasts of the earth.

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* **15:3** kinds: Heb. families † **15:4** cause...: Heb. give them for a removing ‡ **15:5** how...: Heb. of thy peace? § **15:7** children: or, whatsoever is dear ** **15:8** the mother...: or, the mother city a young man spoiling, etc, or, the mother and the young men †† **15:11** cause...: or, intreat the enemy for thee ‡‡ **15:16** I am...: Heb. thy name is called upon me §§ **15:18** fail: Heb. be not sure?

5 For thus saith the LORD, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament
nor bemoan them: for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith the LORD, *even*
lovingkindness and mercies.*
6 Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall
men lament for them, nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them:
7 Neither shall *men* tear *themselves* for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead;
neither shall *men* give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their
mother.†
8 Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.
9 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will cause to cease out of
this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the
voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.
10 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they
shall say unto thee, Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great evil against us? or
what *is* our iniquity? or what *is* our sin that we have committed against the LORD our God?
11 Then shalt thou say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the LORD,
and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and
have forsaken me, and have not kept my law;
12 And ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the
imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me:‡
13 Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not, *neither* ye nor
your fathers; and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; where I will not shew you
favour.
14 ¶ Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The
LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;
15 But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north,
and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their
land that I gave unto their fathers.
16 ¶ Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them; and
after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and
from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.
17 For mine eyes *are* upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their
iniquity hid from mine eyes.
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 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

1 The sin of Judah *is* written with a pen of iron, *and* with the point of a diamond: *it is*
graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars;*
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 thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will
cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for ye have kindled
a fire in mine anger, *which* shall burn for ever.†
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.
6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but
shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, *in* a salt land and not inhabited.
7 Blessed *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.

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* **16:5** mourning: or, mourning feast † **16:7** tear...: or, break bread for them ‡ **16:12** imagination: or, stubbornness
§ **16:21** The LORD: or, JEHOVAH * **17:1** point: Heb. nail † **17:4** thyself: Heb. in thyself

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, *and* 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, shall leave them 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.
13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, *and* they that depart
from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain
of living waters.
14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou *art* my
praise.
15 ¶ Behold, they say unto me, Where *is* the word of the LORD? let it come now.
16 As for me, I have not hastened from *being* a pastor to follow thee: neither have I desired
the woeful day; thou knowest: that which came out of my lips was *right* before thee.**
17 Be not a terror unto me: thou *art* my hope in the day of evil.
18 Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded: let them be
dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of evil, and destroy them
with double destruction.††
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 unto them, Hear ye the word of the LORD, ye kings of Judah, and all Judah,
and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates:
21 Thus saith the LORD; Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the sabbath day,
nor bring *it* in by the gates of Jerusalem;
22 Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath day, neither do ye any
work, but hallow ye the sabbath day, as I commanded your fathers.
23 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they
might not hear, nor receive instruction.
24 And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in
no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to
do no work therein;
25 Then shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the
throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah,
and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for ever.
26 And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places about Jerusalem,
and from the land of Benjamin, and from the plain, and from the mountains, and from
the south, bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and meat offerings, and incense, and
bringing sacrifices of praise, unto the house of the LORD.
27 But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden,
even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day; then will I kindle a fire in the
gates thereof, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.

18

1 The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.
3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.*
4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made
it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make *it*.†‡
5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
6 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the
clay *is* in the potter's hand, so *are* ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.
7 *At what* instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck
up, and to pull down, and to destroy *it;*

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‡ **17:8** drought: or, restraint § **17:11** sitteth...: or, gathereth young which she hath not brought forth ** **17:16** to...: Heb. after thee †† **17:18** destroy...: Heb. break them with a double breach * **18:3** wheels: or, frames, or, seats † **18:4** of clay...: or, was marred, as clay in the hand of the potter ‡ **18:4** made it...: Heb. returned and made, etc

8 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of
the evil that I thought to do unto them.
9 And *at what* instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to
build and to plant *it;*
10 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good,
wherewith I said I would benefit them.
11 ¶ Now therefore go to, speak to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem,
saying, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against
you: return ye now every one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings
good.
12 And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will
every one do the imagination of his evil heart.
13 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ask ye now among the heathen, who hath heard such
things: the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing.
14 Will *a man* leave the snow of Lebanon *which cometh* from the rock of the field? *or* shall
the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?§
15 Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they
have caused them to stumble in their ways *from* the ancient paths, to walk in paths, *in* a
way not cast up;
16 To make their land desolate, *and* a perpetual hissing; every one that passeth thereby
shall be astonished, and wag his head.
17 I will scatter them as with an east wind before the enemy; I will shew them the back,
and not the face, in the day of their calamity.
18 ¶ 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 digged a pit for my soul. Remember
that I stood before thee to speak good for them, *and* to turn away thy wrath from them.
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 bring a troop suddenly upon
them: for they have digged 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.‡‡

19

1 Thus saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and *take* of the ancients of the
people, and of the ancients of the priests;
2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which *is* by the entry of the east gate,
and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee,*
3 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem;
Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the
which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.
4 Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned
incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the
kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents;
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 I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause
them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their
lives: and their carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts
of the earth.

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§ **18:14** the snow...: or, my fields for a rock, or for the snow of Lebanon? shall the running waters be forsaken for the strange cold waters? ** **18:18** with...: or, for the tongue †† **18:21** pour...: Heb. pour them out ‡‡ **18:23** to slay...: Heb. for death * **19:2** the east...: Heb. the sun gate

8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall
be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.
9 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and
they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their
enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.
10 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,
11 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people
and this city, as *one* breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot be made whole again: and they
shall bury *them* in Tophet, till *there be* no place to bury.†
12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and *even*
make this city as Tophet:
13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as
the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense
unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.
14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and
he stood in the court of the LORD's house; and said to all the people,
15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city
and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have
hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.

20

1 Now Pashur the son of Immer the priest, who *was* also chief governor in the house of
the LORD, heard that Jeremiah prophesied these things.
2 Then Pashur smote Jeremiah the prophet, and put him in the stocks that *were* in the
high gate of Benjamin, which *was* by the house of the LORD.
3 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Pashur brought forth Jeremiah out of the
stocks. Then said Jeremiah unto him, The LORD hath not called thy name Pashur, but
Magor-missabib.*
4 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all thy
friends: and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold
it: and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them
captive into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.
5 Moreover I will deliver all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all
the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the
hand of their enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to Babylon.
6 And thou, Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall go into captivity: and thou
shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shalt be buried there, thou, and all thy
friends, to whom thou hast prophesied lies.
7 ¶ O LORD, thou hast deceived me, and I was deceived: thou art stronger than I, and hast
prevailed: I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me.†
8 For since I spake, I cried out, I cried violence and spoil; because the word of the LORD
was made a reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.
9 Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But
his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with
forbearing, and I could not *stay*.
10 ¶ For I heard the defaming of many, fear on every side. Report, *say they*, and we will
report it. All my familiars watched for my halting, *saying*, Peradventure he will be enticed,
and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him.‡
11 But the LORD *is* with me as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall
stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not
prosper: *their* everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.
12 But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, *and* seest the reins and the heart, let me
see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.
13 Sing unto the LORD, praise ye the LORD: for he hath delivered the soul of the poor
from the hand of evildoers.
14 ¶ Cursed *be* the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me
be blessed.
15 Cursed *be* the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is born unto
thee; making him very glad.

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† **19:11** be made...: Heb. be healed * **20:3** Magor-missabib: that is, Fear round about † **20:7** was deceived: or, was enticed ‡ **20:10** All...: Heb. Every man of my peace

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

1 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Pashur the son of Melchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,
2 Enquire, I pray thee, of the LORD for us; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; if so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all his wondrous works, that he may go up from us.
3 ¶ Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:
4 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that *are* in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and *against* the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the midst of this city.
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 their enemies, and into the hand of those that seek their life: and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; he shall not spare them, neither have pity, nor have mercy.
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 O house of David, thus saith the LORD; Execute judgment in the morning, and deliver *him that is* spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench *it*, because of the evil of your doings.*
13 Behold, I *am* against thee, O inhabitant of the valley, *and* rock of the plain, saith the LORD; which say, Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations?†
14 But I will punish you according to the fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.‡

22

1 Thus saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word,
2 And say, Hear the word of the LORD, O king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy people that enter in by these gates:
3 Thus saith the LORD; Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.
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 of Judah; Thou *art* Gilead unto me, *and* the head of Lebanon: *yet* surely I will make thee a wilderness, *and* cities *which* are not inhabited.

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* **21:12** Execute: Heb. Judge † **21:13** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress ‡ **21:14** punish: Heb. visit upon * **22:4** upon...: Heb. for David upon his throne

7 And I will prepare destroyers against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall
cut down thy choice cedars, and cast *them* into the fire.
8 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbour,
Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this great city?
9 Then they shall answer, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD their
God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.
10 ¶ Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan him: *but* weep sore for him that goeth
away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.
11 For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, which
reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return
thither any more:
12 But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land
no more.
13 ¶ Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by
wrong; *that* useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;
14 That saith, I will build me a wide house and large chambers, and cutteth him out
windows; and *it is* cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.†‡
15 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest *thyself* in cedar? did not thy father eat and drink,
and do judgment and justice, *and* then *it was* well with him?
16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then *it was* well *with him: was* not this to
know me? saith the LORD.
17 But thine eyes and thine heart *are* not but for thy covetousness, and for to shed
innocent blood, and for oppression, and for violence, to do *it*.§
18 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah;
They shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! they shall not lament
for him, *saying*, Ah lord! or, Ah his glory!
19 He shall be buried with the burial of an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of
Jerusalem.
20 ¶ Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and cry from the passages:
for all thy lovers are destroyed.
21 I spake unto thee in thy prosperity; *but* thou saidst, I will not hear. This *hath been* thy
manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice.**
22 The wind shall eat up all thy pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then
shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness.
23 O inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, how gracious shalt thou
be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail!††
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 them*
whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into
the hand of the Chaldeans.
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.
27 But to the land whereunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return.‡‡
28 *Is* this man Coniah a despised broken idol? *is he* a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure?
wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know
not?
29 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.
30 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man *that* shall not prosper in his
days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any
more in Judah.

23

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

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† **22:14** large: Heb. through-aired ‡ **22:14** windows: or, my windows § **22:17** violence: or, incursion ** **22:21** prosperity: Heb. prosperities †† **22:23** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress ‡‡ **22:27** desire: Heb. lift up their mind

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.*
7 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;
8 But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.
9 ¶ Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of the LORD, and because of the words of his holiness.
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 my 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, 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 in Baal, and caused my people 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, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants 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 Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.††
16 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, *and* not out of the mouth of the LORD.
17 They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you.‡‡
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 consider 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 they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.
23 *Am* I 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 prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.
26 How long shall *this* be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, *they are* prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

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* **23:6** THE LORD...: Heb. Jehovah-tsidkenu † **23:10** swearing: or, cursing ‡ **23:10** course: or, violence § **23:13** folly: or, an absurd thing: Heb. unsavoury ** **23:14** an...: or, filthiness †† **23:15** profaneness: or, hypocrisy ‡‡ **23:17** imagination: or, stubbornness §§ **23:18** counsel: or, secret

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 chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD.***
29 *Is* not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rock
in pieces?
30 Therefore, behold, I *am* against 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.†††
32 Behold, I *am* against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell
them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not,
nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.
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.
34 And *as for* the prophet, and the priest, and the people, that shall say, The burden of the
LORD, I will even punish that man and his house.‡‡‡
35 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath
the LORD answered? and, What hath the LORD spoken?
36 And the burden of the LORD shall ye mention no more: for every man's word shall
be his burden; for ye have perverted the words of the living God, of the LORD of hosts our
God.
37 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the LORD answered thee? and, What
hath the LORD spoken?
38 But since ye say, The burden of the LORD; therefore thus saith the LORD; Because ye
say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent unto you, saying, Ye shall not say,
The burden of the LORD;
39 Therefore, behold, I, even I, will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city
that I gave you and your fathers, *and cast you* out of my presence:
40 And I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall
not be forgotten.

24

1 The LORD shewed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs *were* set before the temple of the
LORD, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the
son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths,
from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.
2 One basket *had* very good figs, *even* like the figs *that are* first ripe: and the other basket
had very naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.*
3 Then said the LORD unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs,
very good; and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.
4 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
5 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Like these good figs, so will I acknowledge them
that are carried away captive of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of
the Chaldeans for *their* good.†
6 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land:
and I will build them, and not pull *them* down; and I will plant them, and not pluck *them*
up.
7 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I *am* the LORD: and they shall be my
people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.
8 ¶ And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the LORD,
So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that
remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:
9 And I will deliver them to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for *their* hurt, *to
be* a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.‡
10 And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be
consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers.

*** **23:28** that hath a dream: Heb. with whom is, etc ††† **23:31** that...: or, that smooth their tongues ‡‡‡ **23:34** punish: Heb. visit upon * **24:2** they...: Heb. for badness † **24:5** them...: Heb. the captivity ‡ **24:9** to be removed: Heb. for removing, or, vexation

25

1 The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah in the fourth year of
Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that *was* the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king
of Babylon;
2 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, nor inclined your ear to hear.
5 They said, Turn ye again now every one from his evil way, and from the evil of your
doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers for
ever and ever:
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 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 Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and
Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land,
and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will
utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual
desolations.
10 Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice
of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of
the candle.*
11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, *and* an astonishment; and these nations shall
serve the king of Babylon seventy years.
12 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, *that* I will punish
the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the
Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.†
13 And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, *even*
all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations.
14 For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of them also: and I will
recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.
15 ¶ For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my
hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.
16 And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send
among them.
17 Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom
the LORD had sent me:
18 *To wit*, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes
thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as *it is* this
day;
19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;
20 And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the
land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod,
21 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,
22 And all the kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the isles which
are beyond the sea,‡
23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all *that are* in the utmost corners,§
24 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the
desert,
25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes,
26 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and all the kingdoms of
the world, which *are* upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after
them.

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* **25:10** I will...: Heb. I will cause to perish from them † **25:12** punish: Heb. visit upon ‡ **25:22** isles: or, region by the sea side § **25:23** that...: Heb. cut off into corners, or, having the corners of the hair polled

27 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;
Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which
I will send among you.
28 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say
unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ye shall certainly drink.
29 For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name, and should ye be
utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the
inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.**
30 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD
shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily
roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread *the grapes*, against all
the inhabitants of the earth.
31 A noise shall come *even* to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with
the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword,
saith the LORD.
32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a
great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.
33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from *one* end of the earth even unto the
other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall
be dung upon the ground.
34 ¶ Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves *in the ashes*, ye principal of the
flock: for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall
fall like a pleasant vessel.††‡‡
35 And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.§§
36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, *shall
be heard:* for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.
37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.
38 He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion: for their land is desolate because of the
fierceness of the oppressor, and because of his fierce anger.***

26

1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word
from the LORD, saying,
2 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD's house, and speak unto all the
cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD's house, all the words that I command
thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:
3 If so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way, that I may repent me
of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.
4 And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; If ye will not hearken to me, to walk
in my law, which I have set before you,
5 To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I sent unto you, both rising
up early, and sending *them*, but ye have not hearkened;
6 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations
of the earth.
7 So the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words
in the house of the LORD.
8 ¶ Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD
had commanded *him* to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all
the people took him, saying, Thou shalt surely die.
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.
10 ¶ When the princes of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king's
house unto the house of the LORD, and sat down in the entry of the new gate of the LORD's
house.*

** **25:29** which...: Heb. upon which my name is called †† **25:34** the days...: Heb. your days for slaughter ‡‡ **25:34** a pleasant...: Heb. a vessel of desire §§ **25:35** the shepherds...: Heb. flight shall perish from the shepherds, and escaping from, etc *** **25:38** desolate: Heb. a desolation * **26:10** in the...: or, at the door

11 Then spake the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people, saying,
This man *is* worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with
your ears.†
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.
13 Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD
your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.
14 As for me, behold, I *am* in your hand: do with me as seemeth good and meet unto you.‡
15 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye shall surely bring innocent blood
upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the
LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears.
16 ¶ Then said the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets; This
man *is* not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.
17 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all the assembly of the
people, saying,
18 Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to
all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Zion shall be plowed *like* a
field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places
of a forest.
19 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death? did he not fear
the LORD, and besought the LORD, and the LORD repented him of the evil which he had
pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.§
20 And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD, Urijah the son
of Shemaiah of Kirjath-jearim, who prophesied against this city and against this land
according to all the words of Jeremiah:
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*, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and
certain men with him into Egypt.
23 And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king;
who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead body into the graves of the common
people.**
24 Nevertheless the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they
should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.

27

1 In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word
unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
2 Thus saith the LORD to me; Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy neck,*
3 And send them to the king of Edom, and to the king of Moab, and to the king of
the Ammonites, and to the king of Tyrus, and to the king of Zidon, by the hand of the
messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;
4 And command them to say unto their masters, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of
Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters;†
5 I have made the earth, the man and the beast that *are* upon the ground, by my great
power and by my outstretched arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me.
6 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of
Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.
7 And all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, until the very time of his
land come: and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.
8 And it shall come to pass, *that* the nation and kingdom which will not serve the same
Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of
the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, saith the LORD, with the sword, and with the
famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

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† **26:11** This man...: Heb. The judgment of death is for this man ‡ **26:14** as...: Heb. as it is good and right in your eyes § **26:19** the LORD, and the: Heb. the face of the LORD, etc ** **26:23** common...: Heb. sons of the people * **27:2** saith...: or, hath the LORD said † **27:4** to say...: or, concerning their masters, saying

9 Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers,
nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not
serve the king of Babylon:‡
10 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should
drive you out, and ye should perish.
11 But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve
him, those will I let remain still in their own land, saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and
dwell therein.
12 ¶ I spake also to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, Bring
your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.
13 Why will ye die, thou and thy people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the
pestilence, as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of
Babylon?
14 Therefore hearken not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, Ye
shall not serve the king of Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.
15 For I have not sent them, saith the LORD, yet they prophesy a lie in my name; that I
might drive you out, and that ye might perish, ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto
you.§
16 Also I spake to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Hearken
not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of
the LORD's house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a
lie unto you.
17 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city
be laid waste?
18 But if they *be* prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them, let them now make
intercession to the LORD of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of the LORD,
and *in* the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.
19 ¶ For thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and
concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city,
20 Which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive
Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles
of Judah and Jerusalem;
21 Yea, thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain
in the house of the LORD, and *in* the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;
22 They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them,
saith the LORD; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.

28

1 And it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of
Judah, in the fourth year, *and* in the fifth month, *that* Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet,
which *was* of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in the presence of the priests
and of all the people, saying,
2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of
the king of Babylon.
3 Within two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of the LORD's
house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them
to Babylon:*
4 And I will bring again to this place Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, with all
the captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD: for I will break the yoke of
the king of Babylon.†
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 thy words
which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels of the LORD's house, and all that is
carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.
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.

‡ **27:9** dreamers: Heb. dreams § **27:15** a lie: Heb. in a lie, or, lyingly * **28:3** two...: Heb. two years of days † **28:4** captives: Heb. captivity

9 The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to
pass, *then* shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him.
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 *the prophet*, 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 prophet, Hear now, 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 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

29

1 Now these *are* the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem
unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to
the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from
Jerusalem to Babylon;
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;
5 Build ye houses, and dwell *in them;* and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;
6 Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give
your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be
increased there, and not diminished.
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 Israel; Let not your prophets and your
diviners, that *be* in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which
ye cause to be dreamed.
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, saith the LORD, 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 us up 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 dwelleth in this city, *and* 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, they are so evil.

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‡ **28:16** rebellion: Heb. revolt * **29:2** eunuchs: or, chamberlains † **29:9** falsely: Heb. in a lie ‡ **29:11** expected...: Heb. end and expectation

18 And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence,
and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an
astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven
them:§
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 Jerusalem to Babylon:
21 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of
Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in my name; Behold, I will
deliver them into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them
before your eyes;
22 And of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captivity of Judah which *are* in Babylon,
saying, The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon
roasted in the fire;
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 speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, Because thou hast sent
letters in thy name unto all the people that *are* at Jerusalem, and to Zephaniah the son of
Maaseiah the priest, and to all the priests, saying,
26 The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest, that ye should be
officers in the house of the LORD, for every man *that is* mad, and maketh himself a prophet,
that thou shouldest put him in prison, and in the stocks.
27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth, which maketh
himself a prophet to you?
28 For therefore he sent unto us *in* Babylon, saying, This *captivity is* long: build ye houses,
and dwell *in them;* and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them.
29 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah the prophet.
30 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,
31 Send to all them of the captivity, saying, Thus saith the LORD concerning Shemaiah the
Nehelamite; Because that Shemaiah hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he
caused you to trust in a lie:
32 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and
his seed: he shall not have a man to dwell among this people; neither shall he behold the
good that I will do for my people, saith the LORD; because he hath taught rebellion against
the LORD.††

30

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
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 bring again the captivity of my people
Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to
their fathers, and they shall possess it.
4 ¶ And these *are* the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.
5 For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.*
6 Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every
man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into
paleness?†
7 Alas! for that day *is* great, so that none *is* like it: it *is* even the time of Jacob's trouble;
but he shall be saved out of it.
8 For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will break his yoke
from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves
of him:
9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto
them.

§ **29:18** to be a curse: Heb. for a curse ** **29:24** Nehelamite: or, dreamer †† **29:32** rebellion: Heb. revolt * **30:5** of fear...: or, there is fear, and not peace † **30:6** a man: Heb. a male

10 ¶ Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O
Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and
Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid.
11 For I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations
whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee
in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.
12 For thus saith the LORD, Thy bruise *is* incurable, *and* thy wound *is* grievous.
13 *There is* none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up: thou hast no healing
medicines.‡
14 All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with
the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine
iniquity; *because* thy sins were increased.
15 Why criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow *is* incurable for the multitude of thine
iniquity: *because* thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.
16 Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every
one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that
prey upon thee will I give for a prey.
17 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD;
because they called thee an Outcast, *saying*, This *is* Zion, whom no man seeketh after.
18 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and
have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be builded upon her own heap, and
the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.§
19 And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry:
and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall
not be small.
20 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established
before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.
21 And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the
midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who
is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD.
22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.
23 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it
shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.**††
24 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.

31

1 At the same time, saith the LORD, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they
shall be my people.
2 Thus saith the LORD, The people *which were* left of the sword found grace in the
wilderness; *even* Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.
3 The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, *saying*, Yea, I have loved thee with an
everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.*†
4 Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be
adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.‡
5 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and
shall eat *them* as common things.§
6 For there shall be a day, *that* the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise
ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.
7 For thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the
nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.
8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the
earth, *and* with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth
with child together: a great company shall return thither.
9 They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause
them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for
I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim *is* my firstborn.**

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‡ **30:13** that...: Heb. for binding up, or, pressing § **30:18** heap: or, little hill ** **30:23** continuing: Heb. cutting †† **30:23** fall...: or, remain * **31:3** of...: Heb. from afar † **31:3** with lovingkindness...: have I extended lovingkindness unto thee ‡ **31:4** tabrets: or, timbrels § **31:5** eat...: Heb. profane them ** **31:9** supplications: or, favours

10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare *it* in the isles afar off, and say,
He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd *doth* his flock.
11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of *him that was*
stronger than he.
12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the
goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock
and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any
more at all.
13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will
turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their
sorrow.
14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied
with my goodness, saith the LORD.
15 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, *and* bitter weeping;
Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they
were not.
16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for
thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of
the enemy.
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 unaccustomed *to the yoke:* turn thou me, and I shall be turned;
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 since I spake against him, I do
earnestly remember him still: therefore my bowels are troubled for him; I will surely have
mercy upon him, saith the LORD.[††]
21 Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, *even*
the way *which* thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.
22 ¶ How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created
a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man.
23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech in the
land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring again their captivity; The LORD
bless thee, O habitation of justice, *and* mountain of holiness.
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 a sour grape, and the
children's teeth are set on edge.
30 But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his
teeth shall be set on edge.
31 ¶ 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 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother,
saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest

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[††] **31:20** are...: Heb. sound [‡‡] **31:32** although...: or, should I have continued an husband unto them?

of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

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

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

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

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

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

32

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

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

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

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

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

6 ¶ And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

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

8 So Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the prison according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me, Buy my field, I pray thee, that *is* in Anathoth, which *is* in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance *is* thine, and the redemption *is* thine; buy *it* for thyself. Then I knew that this *was* the word of the LORD.

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

10 And I subscribed the evidence, and sealed *it*, and took witnesses, and weighed *him* the money in the balances.†

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

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

13 ¶ And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

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

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

16 ¶ Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto the LORD, saying,

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

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* **32:9** seventeen...: or, seven shekels and ten pieces of silver † **32:10** subscribed...: Heb. wrote in the book ‡ **32:17** too...: or, hid from 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,
19 Great in counsel, and mighty in work: for thine eyes *are* open upon all the ways of
the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his
doings:§
20 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, *even* unto this day, and in Israel,
and among *other* men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day;
21 And hast brought forth thy people Israel out of the land of Egypt with signs, and with
wonders, and with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with great terror;
22 And hast given them this land, which thou didst swear to their fathers to give them, a
land flowing with milk and honey;
23 And they came in, and possessed it; but they obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in
thy law; they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do: therefore thou
hast caused all this evil to come upon them:
24 Behold the mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the
hand of the Chaldeans, that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and
of the pestilence: and what thou hast spoken is come to pass; and, behold, thou seest *it*.**
25 And thou hast said unto me, O Lord GOD, Buy thee the field for money, and take
witnesses; for the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.††
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 this city, and
burn it with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured
out drink offerings unto other gods, to provoke me to anger.
30 For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have only done evil before me
from their youth: for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work
of their hands, saith the LORD.
31 For this city hath been to me *as* a provocation of mine anger and of my fury from the
day that they built it even unto this day; that I should remove it from before my face,‡‡
32 Because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they
have done to provoke me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their
prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
33 And they have turned unto me the back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising
up early and teaching *them*, yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction.§§
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 Molech; 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,
whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword,
and by the famine, and by the pestilence;
37 Behold, I will gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in mine
anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and
I will cause them to dwell safely:
38 And they shall be my people, and I will be their God:
39 And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, for the
good of them, and of their children after them:***
40 And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from
them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart
from me.†††
41 Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land
assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.‡‡‡

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§ **32:19** work: Heb. doing ** **32:24** mounts: or, engines of shot †† **32:25** for the: or, though the ‡‡ **32:31** a provocation...: Heb. for my anger §§ **32:33** back: Heb. neck *** **32:39** for ever: Heb. all days ††† **32:40** from them: Heb. from after them ‡‡‡ **32:41** assuredly: Heb. in truth, or, stability

42 For thus saith the LORD; Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so
will I bring upon them all the good that I have promised them.
43 And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say, *It is* desolate without man or
beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.
44 Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal *them*, and take
witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of
Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of
the south: for I will cause their captivity to return, saith the LORD.

33

1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet
shut up in the court of the prison, saying,
2 Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it; the
LORD *is* his name;*
3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which
thou knowest not.†
4 For thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and
concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are thrown down by the mounts, and
by the sword;
5 They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but *it is* to fill them with the dead bodies of men,
whom I have slain in mine anger and in my fury, and for all whose wickedness I have hid
my face from this city.
6 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them
the abundance of peace and truth.
7 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build
them, as at the first.
8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me;
and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have
transgressed against me.
9 ¶ And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the
earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble
for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.
10 Thus saith the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say *shall be*
desolate without man and without beast, *even* in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of
Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast,
11 The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice
of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, Praise the LORD of hosts: for the LORD *is* good;
for his mercy *endureth* for ever: *and* of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the
house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith
the LORD.
12 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Again in this place, which is desolate without man and
without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be an habitation of shepherds causing *their*
flocks to lie down.
13 In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and
in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall
the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth *them*, saith the LORD.
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 wherewith 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;§
18 Neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and
to kindle meat offerings, and to do sacrifice continually.
19 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying,
20 Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the
night, and that there should not be day and night in their season;

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* **33:2** the LORD is: or, JEHOVAH, etc † **33:3** mighty: or, hidden ‡ **33:16** The LORD...: Heb. Jehovah-tsidkenu
§ **33:17** David...: Heb. There shall not be cut off from David

21 *Then* may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have
a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers.
22 As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so
will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me.
23 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,
24 Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the
LORD hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that
they should be no more a nation before them.
25 Thus saith the LORD; If my covenant *be* not with day and night, *and if* I have not
appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;
26 Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, *so* that I will not take
any of his seed *to be* rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their
captivity to return, and have mercy on them.

34

1 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when Nebuchadnezzar king of
Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdoms of the earth of his dominion, and all the
people, fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities thereof, saying,*
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 burnings of thy fathers, the former kings which
were before thee, so shall they burn *odours* for thee; and they will lament thee, *saying*, Ah
lord! for I have pronounced the word, saith the LORD.
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 Lachish, and against Azekah: for these defenced 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 made a covenant with all the people which *were* at Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto
them;
9 That every man should let his manservant, and every man his maidservant, *being* an
Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free; that none should serve himself of them, *to wit*, of a Jew
his brother.
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 from the LORD, saying,
13 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; I made a covenant with your fathers in the day
that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,
14 At the end of seven years let ye go every man his brother an Hebrew, which hath been
sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from
thee: but your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.‡
15 And ye were now turned, and had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty every
man to his neighbour; and ye had made a covenant before me in the house which is called
by my name:§**
16 But ye turned and polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and every
man his handmaid, whom ye had set at liberty at their pleasure, to return, and brought
them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.

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* **34:1** of his...: Heb. the dominion of his hand † **34:3** he shall...: Heb. his mouth shall speak to thy mouth ‡ **34:14** hath been...: or, hath sold himself § **34:15** now: Heb. to day ** **34:15** which...: Heb. whereupon my name is called

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty,
every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour: behold, I proclaim a liberty for
you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you
to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.††
18 And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, which have not
performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the
calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof,
19 The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and
all the people of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;
20 I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that
seek their life: and their dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to
the beasts of the earth.
21 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies,
and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's
army, which are gone up from you.
22 Behold, I will command, saith the LORD, and cause them to return to this city; and they
shall fight against it, and take it, and burn it with fire: and I will make the cities of Judah a
desolation without an inhabitant.

35

1 The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of Jehoiakim the son
of Josiah king of Judah, saying,
2 Go unto the house of the Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the
house of the LORD, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink.
3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniah, and his brethren, and
all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites;
4 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan,
the son of Igdaliah, a man of God, which *was* by the chamber of the princes, which *was*
above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the door:*
5 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites pots full of wine, and cups, and
I said unto them, Drink ye wine.
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 house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have *any:* but all
your days ye shall dwell in tents; that ye may live many days in the land where ye *be*
strangers.
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 for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:
10 But we have dwelt in tents, 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 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; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's
commandment: notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but
ye hearkened not unto me.
15 I have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending
them, saying, Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go
not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you
and to your fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me.
16 Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of
their father, which he commanded them; but this people hath not hearkened unto me:
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

†† **34:17** to be...: Heb. for a removing * **35:4** door: Heb. threshold, or, vessel

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 said unto the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the LORD of hosts,
the God of Israel; Because ye have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and
kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:
19 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Jonadab the son of Rechab
shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.†

36

1 And it came to pass in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, *that*
this word came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
2 Take thee a roll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken unto thee
against Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spake unto
thee, from the days of Josiah, even unto this day.
3 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them;
that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and
their sin.
4 Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah: and Baruch wrote from the mouth of
Jeremiah all the words of the LORD, which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.
5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I *am* shut up; I cannot go into the house of
the LORD:
6 Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth, the
words of the LORD in the ears of the people in the LORD's house upon the fasting day: and
also thou shalt read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.
7 It may be they will present their supplication before the LORD, and will return every
one from his evil way: for great *is* the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced
against this people.*
8 And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet com-
manded him, reading in the book the words of the LORD in the LORD's house.
9 And it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, in the
ninth month, *that* they proclaimed a fast before the LORD to all the people in Jerusalem,
and to all the people that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem.
10 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of the LORD, in the
chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the scribe, in the higher court, at the entry of the
new gate of the LORD's house, in the ears of all the people.†
11 ¶ When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out of the book
all the words of the LORD,
12 Then he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the
princes sat there, *even* Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan
the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah,
and all the princes.
13 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read
the book in the ears of the people.
14 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the
son of Cushi, unto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hand the roll wherein thou hast read in
the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and
came unto them.
15 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read *it* in
their ears.
16 Now it came to pass, when they had heard all the words, they were afraid both one
and other, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.
17 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How didst thou write all these words at
his mouth?
18 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth,
and I wrote *them* with ink in the book.
19 Then said the princes unto Baruch, Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah; and let no man
know where ye be.
20 ¶ And they went in to the king into the court, but they laid up the roll in the chamber
of Elishama the scribe, and told all the words in the ears of the king.

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† **35:19** Jonadab...: Heb. There shall not a man be cut off from Jonadab the son of Rechab to stand, etc * **36:7** they...: Heb. their supplication shall fail † **36:10** entry: or, door

21 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll: and he took it out of Elishama the scribe's
chamber. And Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which
stood beside the king.
22 Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and *there was a fire* on the
hearth burning before him.
23 And it came to pass, *that* when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with the
penknife, and cast *it* into the fire that *was* on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in
the fire that *was* on the hearth.
24 Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, *neither* the king, nor any of his
servants that heard all these words.
25 Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king
that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.
26 But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son of Hammelech, and Seraiah the son of
Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the
prophet: but the LORD hid them.‡
27 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll,
and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,
28 Take thee again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first
roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.
29 And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast burned
this roll, saying, Why hast thou written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly
come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?
30 Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah; He shall have none to sit
upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in
the night to the frost.
31 And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring
upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil
that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.§
32 ¶ Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah;
who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim
king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many like
words.**

37

1 And king Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim,
whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah.
2 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did hearken unto the words
of the LORD, which he spake by the prophet Jeremiah.*
3 And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of
Maaseiah the priest to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, Pray now unto the LORD our God for
us.
4 Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into
prison.
5 Then Pharaoh's army was come forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that
besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they departed from Jerusalem.
6 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying,
7 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, that sent
you unto me to enquire of me; Behold, Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you,
shall return to Egypt into their own land.
8 And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it
with fire.
9 Thus saith the LORD; Deceive not yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart
from us: for they shall not depart.†
10 For though ye had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and
there remained *but* wounded men among them, *yet* should they rise up every man in his
tent, and burn this city with fire.‡
11 ¶ And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was broken up from
Jerusalem for fear of Pharaoh's army,§

‡ **36:26** of Hammelech: or, of the king § **36:31** punish: Heb. visit upon ** **36:32** like: Heb. as they * **37:2** by...: Heb. by the hand of the prophet † **37:9** yourselves: Heb. your souls ‡ **37:10** wounded: Heb. thrust through § **37:11** broken...: Heb. made to ascend

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.**
13 And when he was in the gate of Benjamin, a captain of the ward *was* there, whose name
was Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet,
saying, Thou fallest away to the Chaldeans.
14 Then said Jeremiah, *It is* false; I fall not away to the Chaldeans. But he hearkened not
to him: so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.††
15 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, and smote him, and put him in
prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.
16 ¶ When Jeremiah was entered into the dungeon, and into the cabins, and Jeremiah
had remained there many days;‡‡
17 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him secretly in his
house, and said, Is there *any* word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said
he, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.
18 Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah, What have I offended against thee, or
against thy servants, or against this people, that ye have put me in prison?
19 Where *are* now your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying, The king of Babylon
shall not come against you, nor against this land?
20 Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king: let my supplication, I pray thee, be
accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe,
lest I die there.§§
21 Then Zedekiah the king commanded that they should commit Jeremiah into the court
of the prison, and that they should give him daily a piece of bread out of the bakers' street,
until all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

38

1 Then Shephatiah the son of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and Jucal the son
of Shelemiah, and Pashur the son of Malchiah, heard the words that Jeremiah had spoken
unto all the people, saying,
2 Thus saith the LORD, He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine,
and by the pestilence: but he that goeth forth to the Chaldeans shall live; for he shall have
his life for a prey, and shall live.
3 Thus saith the LORD, This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon's
army, which shall take it.
4 Therefore the princes said unto the king, We beseech thee, let this man be put to death:
for thus he weakeneth the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands
of all the people, in speaking such words unto them: for this man seeketh not the welfare
of this people, but the hurt.*
5 Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he *is* in your hand: for the king *is* not *he that* can
do *any* thing against you.
6 Then took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the son of
Hammelech, that *was* in the court of the prison: and they let down Jeremiah with cords.
And in the dungeon *there was* no water, but mire: so Jeremiah sunk in the mire.†
7 ¶ Now when Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, one of the eunuchs which was in the king's
house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon; the king then sitting in the gate
of Benjamin;
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 he is like to die for hunger in the place
where he is: for *there is* no more bread in the city.‡
10 Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from hence thirty
men with thee, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the dungeon, before he die.§
11 So Ebed-melech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the
treasury, and took thence old cast clouts and old rotten rags, and let them down by cords
into the dungeon to Jeremiah.
12 And Ebed-melech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah, Put now *these* old cast clouts and
rotten rags under thine armholes under the cords. And Jeremiah did so.

** **37:12** separate...: or, to slip away from thence in the midst of the people †† **37:14** false: Heb. falsehood, or, a lie ‡‡ **37:16** cabins: or, cells §§ **37:20** let...: Heb. let my supplication fall * **38:4** welfare: Heb. peace † **38:6** of Hammelech: or, of the king ‡ **38:9** he is like...: Heb. he will die § **38:10** with thee: Heb. in thine hand

13 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon: and
Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.
14 ¶ Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet unto him into the third
entry that *is* in the house of the LORD: and the king said unto Jeremiah, I will ask thee a
thing; hide nothing from me.**
15 Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, If I declare *it* unto thee, wilt thou not surely put me
to death? and if I give thee counsel, wilt thou not hearken unto me?
16 So Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, that
made us this soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these
men that seek thy life.
17 Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of
Israel; If thou wilt assuredly go forth unto the king of Babylon's princes, then thy soul shall
live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and thou shalt live, and thine house:
18 But if thou wilt not go forth to the king of Babylon's princes, then shall this city be given
into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and thou shalt not escape
out of their hand.
19 And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the
Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me.
20 But Jeremiah said, They shall not deliver *thee*. Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the
LORD, which I speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee, and thy soul shall live.
21 But if thou refuse to go forth, this *is* the word that the LORD hath shewed me:
22 And, behold, all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house *shall be* brought
forth to the king of Babylon's princes, and those *women* shall say, Thy friends have set thee
on, and have prevailed against thee: thy feet are sunk in the mire, *and* they are turned
away back.††
23 So they shall bring out all thy wives and thy children to the Chaldeans: and thou shalt
not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and
thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire.‡‡
24 ¶ Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, Let no man know of these words, and thou shalt
not die.
25 But if the princes hear that I have talked with thee, and they come unto thee, and say
unto thee, Declare unto us now what thou hast said unto the king, hide it not from us, and
we will not put thee to death; also what the king said unto thee:
26 Then thou shalt say unto them, I presented my supplication before the king, that he
would not cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there.
27 Then came all the princes unto Jeremiah, and asked him: and he told them according
to all these words that the king had commanded. So they left off speaking with him; for the
matter was not perceived.§§
28 So Jeremiah abode in the court of the prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken:
and he was *there* when Jerusalem was taken.

39

1 In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar
king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.
2 *And* in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth *day* of the month,
the city was broken up.
3 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, *even*
Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris, Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, with all
the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.
4 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the men of
war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden,
by the gate betwixt the two walls: and he went out the way of the plain.
5 But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of
Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of
Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him.*
6 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the
king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

** **38:14** third: or, principal †† **38:22** Thy friends: Heb. Men of thy peace ‡‡ **38:23** thou shalt cause...: Heb. thou shalt burn, etc §§ **38:27** they...: Heb. they were silent from him * **39:5** gave...: Heb. spake with him judgments

7 Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to
Babylon.†
8 ¶ And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire,
and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.
9 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.‡
10 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 at the same time.§**
11 ¶ Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah to Nebuzar-
adan the captain of the guard, saying,††‡‡
12 Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall
say unto thee.§§
13 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushasban, Rab-saris, and
Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, and all the king of Babylon's princes;***
14 Even they sent, and took Jeremiah out of the court of the prison, and committed him
unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home: so
he dwelt among the people.
15 ¶ Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of
the prison, saying,
16 Go and speak to Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the
God of Israel; Behold, I will bring my words upon this city for evil, and not for good; and
they shall be *accomplished* in that day before thee.
17 But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the LORD: and thou shalt not be given into the
hand of the men of whom thou *art* afraid.
18 For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be
for a prey unto thee: because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD.

40

1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, after that Nebuzar-adan the captain
of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in chains
among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were carried
away captive unto Babylon.*
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 hath said: 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 I will look well unto thee:
but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, all the land *is*
before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go.†‡
5 Now while he was not yet gone back, *he said*, Go back also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam
the son of Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon hath made governor over the cities of Judah,
and dwell with him among the people: or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee
to go. So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go.
6 Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and dwelt with him
among the people that were left in the land.
7 ¶ Now when all the captains of the forces which *were* in the fields, *even* they and their
men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam governor in the
land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of the poor of the
land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;

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† **39:7** with...: Heb. with two brasen chains, or, fetters ‡ **39:9** captain...: or, chief marshal: Heb. chief of the executioners, or, slaughtermen § **39:10** captain...: or, chief marshal: Heb. chief of the executioners, or, slaughtermen ** **39:10** at the...: Heb. in that day †† **39:11** to: Heb. by the hand of ‡‡ **39:11** captain...: or, chief marshal: Heb. chief of the executioners, or, slaughtermen §§ **39:12** look...: Heb. set thine eyes upon him *** **39:13** captain...: or, chief marshal: Heb. chief of the executioners, or, slaughtermen * **40:1** chains: or, manicles † **40:4** were...: or, are upon thine hand ‡ **40:4** I will...: Heb. I will set mine eye upon thee

8 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan
and Jonathan the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai
the Netophathite, and Jezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.
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 Kareah, 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 Baalis the king of the Ammonites
hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to slay thee? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam
believed them not.**
15 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let me
go, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know *it:*
wherefore should he slay thee, that all the Jews which are gathered unto thee should be
scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?
16 But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah, Thou shalt not
do this thing: for thou speakest falsely of Ishmael.

41

1 Now it came to pass in the seventh month, *that* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of
Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, even ten men with him, came unto
Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in Mizpah.
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* with 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 having cut themselves, with
offerings 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 to meet them, weeping all
along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah
the son of Ahikam.*
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 But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael, Slay us not: for we have
treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey. So he forbare, and
slew them not among their brethren.
9 Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had
slain because of Gedaliah, *was* it which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of
Israel: *and* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with *them that were* slain.†
10 Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that *were* in Mizpah,
even the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom 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.
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,

§ **40:10** to serve: Heb. to stand before ** **40:14** to slay...: Heb. to strike thee in soul? * **41:6** weeping...: Heb. in going and weeping † **41:9** because...: or, near Gedaliah: Heb. by the hand, or, by the side of Gedaliah

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 Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after *that* he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, *even* mighty men of war, and the women, and the children, and the eunuchs, whom he had brought again from Gibeon:
17 And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of Chimham, 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 Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

42

1 Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, came near,
2 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God, *even* for all this remnant; (for we are left *but* a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)*
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* whatsoever 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 and faithful witness between us, if we do not even according to all things for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us.
6 Whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.
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 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid; be not afraid of him, saith the LORD: for I *am* with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand.
12 And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.
13 ¶ But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the LORD your God,
14 Saying, No; but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there will we dwell:
15 And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; If ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;
16 Then it shall come to pass, *that* the sword, which ye feared, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye were afraid, shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.†

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* **42:2** Let...: or, Let our supplication fall before thee
† **42:16** shall follow...: Heb. shall cleave after you

17 So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they
shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: and none of them shall remain
or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.‡
18 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As mine anger and my fury
hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my fury be poured
forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an
astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.
19 ¶ The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah; Go ye not into Egypt:
know certainly that I have admonished you this day.§
20 For ye dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent me unto the LORD your God, saying,
Pray for us unto the LORD our God; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say,
so declare unto us, and we will do *it*.**
21 And *now* I have this day declared *it* to you; but ye have not obeyed the voice of the
LORD your God, nor any *thing* for the which he hath sent me unto you.
22 Now therefore know certainly that ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the
pestilence, in the place whither ye desire to go *and* to sojourn.††

43

1 And it came to pass, *that* when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto all the
people all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him
to them, *even* all these words,
2 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the
proud men, saying unto Jeremiah, Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God hath not sent
thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:
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, whither 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
Nebuzar-adan 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 ¶ Then 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 from thence in peace.
13 He shall break also the images of Beth-shemesh, that *is* in the land of Egypt; and the
houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.*†

44

1 The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews which dwell in the land of
Egypt, which dwell at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the country of
Pathros, saying,
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,

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‡ **42:17** So...: Heb. So shall all the men be § **42:19** admonished...: Heb. testified against you ** **42:20** ye dissembled...: or, ye have used deceit against your souls †† **42:22** to go...: or, to go to sojourn * **43:13** images: Heb. statues, or, standing images † **43:13** Beth-shemesh: or, The house of the sun

3 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that
they went to burn incense, *and* to serve other gods, whom they knew not, *neither* they, ye,
nor your fathers.
4 Howbeit I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them*,
saying, Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate.
5 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, child
and suckling, out of Judah, to leave you none to remain;*
8 In that ye provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands, burning incense unto
other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that ye might cut yourselves
off, and that ye might be a curse and a reproach among all the nations of the earth?
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?†
10 They are not humbled *even* unto this day, neither have they feared, nor walked in my
law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.‡
11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will set my face
against you for evil, and to cut off all Judah.
12 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of
Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, *and* fall in the land of Egypt; they
shall *even* be consumed by the sword *and* by the famine: they shall die, from the least even
unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, *and* an
astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.
13 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem,
by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:
14 So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn
there, shall escape or remain, that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which
they have a desire to return to dwell there: for none shall return but such as shall escape.§
15 ¶ Then all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods,
and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the
land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,
16 *As for* the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD, we will not
hearken unto thee.
17 But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn
incense unto the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have
done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the
streets of Jerusalem: for *then* had we plenty of victuals, and were well, and saw no evil.**††
18 But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink
offerings unto her, we have wanted all *things*, and have been consumed by the sword and
by the famine.
19 And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings
unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her,
without our men?‡‡
20 ¶ Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the
people which had given him *that* answer, saying,
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 that the LORD could no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, *and* because
of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an
astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.

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* **44:7** out...: Heb. out of the midst of Judah † **44:9** wickedness...: Heb. wickednesses, or, punishments, etc ‡ **44:10** humbled: Heb. contrite § **44:14** have...: Heb. lift up their soul ** **44:17** queen...: or, frame of heaven †† **44:17** victuals: Heb. bread ‡‡ **44:19** men: or, husbands?

23 Because ye have burned incense, and because ye have sinned against the LORD, and
have not obeyed the voice of the LORD, nor walked in his law, nor in his statutes, nor in his
testimonies; therefore this evil is happened unto you, as at this day.
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, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink
offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.
26 Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt;
Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be
named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD
liveth.
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-hophra king of Egypt into the hand of
his enemies, and into the hand of them that seek his life; as I gave Zedekiah king of Judah
into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought his life.

45

1 The word that Jeremiah the prophet spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he had
written these words in a book at the mouth of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim
the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,
2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch;
3 Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted
in my sighing, and I find no rest.
4 ¶ Thus shalt thou say unto him, The LORD saith thus; Behold, *that* which I have built
will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land.
5 And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek *them* not: for, behold, I will bring evil
upon all flesh, saith the LORD: but thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places
whither thou goest.

46

1 The word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Gentiles;
2 Against Egypt, against 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 Jehoiakim 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;
furbish the spears, *and* put on the brigandines.
5 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed *and* turned away back? and their mighty ones
are beaten down, and are fled apace, and look not back: *for* fear *was* round about, saith
the LORD.*†
6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty 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?
8 Egypt riseth up like a flood, and *his* waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will
go up, *and* will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.
9 Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; the
Ethiopians and the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, that handle *and* bend
the bow.‡§
10 For this *is* the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge
him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk

§§ **44:28** mine...: Heb. from me, or, from them * **46:5** beaten...: Heb. broken in pieces † **46:5** fled...: Heb. fled a flight ‡ **46:9** the Ethiopians: Heb. Cush § **46:9** the Libyans: Heb. Put

with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river
Euphrates.
11 Go up into Gilead, and take balm, O virgin, the daughter of Egypt: in vain shalt thou
use many medicines; *for* thou shalt not be cured.**
12 The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty
man hath stumbled against the mighty, *and* they are fallen both together.
13 ¶ The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king
of Babylon should come *and* smite the land of Egypt.
14 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph and in Tahpanhes:
say ye, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee.
15 Why are thy valiant *men* swept away? they stood not, because the LORD did drive
them.
16 He made many to fall, yea, one fell upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go
again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword.††
17 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt *is but* a noise; he hath passed the time
appointed.
18 *As* I live, saith the King, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts, Surely as Tabor *is* among the
mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, *so* shall he come.
19 O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, furnish thyself to go into captivity: for Noph shall
be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.‡‡
20 Egypt *is like* a very fair heifer, *but* destruction cometh; it cometh out of the north.
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, with their gods, and their kings; even Pharaoh, and *all* them that
trust in him:***
26 And I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their lives, and into the hand of
Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall
be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.
27 ¶ But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I
will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall
return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make *him* afraid.
28 Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I *am* with thee; for I will make a
full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee,
but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.†††

47

1 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Philistines, before
that Pharaoh smote Gaza.*
2 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an
overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and all that is therein; the city, and them
that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.†
3 At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong *horses*, at the rushing of his
chariots, *and at* the rumbling of his wheels, the fathers shall not look back to *their* children
for feebleness of hands;
4 Because of the day that cometh to spoil all the Philistines, *and* to cut off from Tyrus and
Zidon every helper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of
the country of Caphtor.‡

** **46:11** thou shalt...: Heb. no cure shall be unto thee †† **46:16** made...: Heb. multiplied the faller ‡‡ **46:19** furnish...: Heb. make thee instruments of captivity §§ **46:21** fatted...: Heb. bullocks of the stall *** **46:25** multitude: or, nourisher: Heb. Amon ††† **46:28** not leave...: or, not utterly cut thee off * **47:1** Gaza: Heb. Azzah † **47:2** all that...: Heb. the fulness thereof ‡ **47:4** the country: Heb. the isle

5 Baldness is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is cut off *with* the remnant of their valley: how
long wilt thou cut thyself?
6 O thou sword of the LORD, how long *will it be* ere thou be quiet? put up thyself into thy
scabbard, rest, and be still.§
7 How can it be quiet, seeing the LORD hath given it a charge against Ashkelon, and
against the sea shore? there hath he appointed it.**

48

1 Against Moab thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Woe unto Nebo! for it is
spoiled: Kiriathaim is confounded *and* taken: Misgab is confounded and dismayed.*
2 *There shall be* no more praise of Moab: in Heshbon they have devised evil against it;
come, and let us cut it off from *being* a nation. Also thou shalt be cut down, O Madmen; the
sword shall pursue thee.†‡
3 A voice of crying *shall be* from Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.
4 Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard.
5 For in the going up of Luhith continual weeping shall go up; for in the going down of
Horonaim the enemies have heard a cry of destruction.§
6 Flee, save your lives, and be like the heath in the wilderness.**
7 ¶ For because thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy treasures, thou shalt also be
taken: and Chemosh shall go forth into captivity *with* his priests and his princes together.
8 And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: the valley also shall
perish, and the plain shall be destroyed, as the LORD hath spoken.
9 Give wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities thereof shall be
desolate, without any to dwell therein.
10 Cursed *be* he that doeth the work of the LORD deceitfully, and cursed *be* he that keepeth
back his sword from blood.††
11 ¶ Moab hath been at ease from his youth, and he hath settled on his lees, and hath not
been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither hath he gone into captivity: therefore his taste
remained in him, and his scent is not changed.‡‡
12 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will send unto him wanderers,
that shall cause him to wander, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles.
13 And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Beth-el
their confidence.
14 ¶ How say ye, We *are* mighty and strong men for the war?
15 Moab is spoiled, and gone up *out of* her cities, and his chosen young men are gone
down to the slaughter, saith the King, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts.§§
16 The calamity of Moab *is* near to come, and his affliction hasteth fast.
17 All ye that are about him, bemoan him; and all ye that know his name, say, How is the
strong staff broken, *and* the beautiful rod!
18 Thou daughter that dost inhabit Dibon, come down from *thy* glory, and sit in thirst; for
the spoiler of Moab shall come upon thee, *and* he shall destroy thy strong holds.
19 O inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and her that
escapeth, *and* say, What is done?***
20 Moab is confounded; for it is broken down: howl and cry; tell ye it in Arnon, that Moab
is spoiled,
21 And judgment is come upon the plain country; upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and
upon Mephaath,
22 And upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Beth-diblathaim,
23 And upon Kiriathaim, and upon Beth-gamul, and upon Beth-meon,
24 And upon Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or
near.
25 The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the LORD.
26 ¶ Make ye him drunken: for he magnified *himself* against the LORD: Moab also shall
wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision.

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§ **47:6** put...: Heb. gather thyself ** **47:7** How...: Heb. How canst thou * **48:1** Misgab: or, the high place † **48:2** be cut...: or, be brought to silence ‡ **48:2** pursue...: Heb. go after thee § **48:5** continual...: Heb. weeping with weeping ** **48:6** the heath: or, a naked tree †† **48:10** deceitfully: or, negligently ‡‡ **48:11** remained: Heb. stood §§ **48:15** his...: Heb. the choice of *** **48:19** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress

27 For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among thieves? for since thou
spakest of him, thou skippedst for joy.†††
28 O ye that dwell in Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rock, and be like the dove
that maketh her nest in the sides of the hole's mouth.
29 We have heard the pride of Moab, (he is exceeding proud) his loftiness, and his
arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart.
30 I know his wrath, saith the LORD; but *it shall* not *be* so; his lies shall not so effect *it*.‡‡‡
31 Therefore will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab; *mine heart* shall mourn
for the men of Kir-heres.
32 O vine of Sibmah, I will weep for thee with the weeping of Jazer: thy plants are gone
over the sea, they reach *even* to the sea of Jazer: the spoiler is fallen upon thy summer fruits
and upon thy vintage.
33 And joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from the land of Moab;
and I have caused wine to fail from the winepresses: none shall tread with shouting; *their*
shouting *shall be* no shouting.
34 From the cry of Heshbon *even* unto Elealeh, *and even* unto Jahaz, have they uttered
their voice, from Zoar *even* unto Horonaim, *as* an heifer of three years old: for the waters
also of Nimrim shall be desolate.§§§
35 Moreover I will cause to cease in Moab, saith the LORD, him that offereth in the high
places, and him that burneth incense to his gods.
36 Therefore mine heart shall sound for Moab like pipes, and mine heart shall sound like
pipes for the men of Kir-heres: because the riches *that* he hath gotten are perished.
37 For every head *shall be* bald, and every beard clipped: upon all the hands *shall be*
cuttings, and upon the loins sackcloth.*
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 down! how hath Moab turned the back with
shame! 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 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 because of the force: but a fire
shall come forth out of Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and shall devour the
corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the tumultuous ones.§
46 Woe be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sons are taken
captives, 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 their king inherit Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?*†
2 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will cause an alarm of war to
be heard in Rabbah of the Ammonites; and it shall be a desolate heap, and her daughters
shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, saith the
LORD.

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††† **48:27** skippedst...: or, movedst thyself ‡‡‡ **48:30** his lies...: or, those on whom he stayeth (Heb. his bars) do not right §§§ **48:34** desolate: Heb. desolations * **48:37** clipped: Heb. diminished † **48:39** back: Heb. neck ‡ **48:41** Kerioth: or, The cities § **48:45** tumultuous...: Heb. children of noise ** **48:46** captives, and: Heb. in captivity, etc * **49:1** Concerning: or, Against † **49:1** their king: or, Melcom

3 Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoiled: cry, ye daughters of Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth;
lament, and run to and fro by the hedges; for their king shall go into captivity, *and* his
priests and his princes together.‡
4 Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, thy flowing valley, O backsliding 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 those 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 I will bring again the captivity of the children of Ammon, saith the LORD.
7 ¶ Concerning Edom, thus saith the LORD of hosts; *Is* wisdom no more in Teman? is
counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished?
8 Flee ye, turn back, dwell deep, O inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of
Esau upon him, the time *that* I will visit him.**
9 If grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave *some* gleaning grapes? if thieves
by night, they will destroy till they have enough.††
10 But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able
to hide himself: his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours, and he *is* not.
11 Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve *them* alive; and let thy widows trust in
me.
12 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, they whose judgment *was* not to drink of the cup have
assuredly drunken; and *art* thou he *that* shall altogether go unpunished? thou shalt not go
unpunished, but thou shalt surely drink *of it*.
13 For I have sworn by myself, saith the LORD, that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a
reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual wastes.
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 hath deceived thee, *and* the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest
in the clefts of the rock, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy
nest as high as the eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD.
17 Also Edom shall be a desolation: every one that goeth by it shall be astonished, 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 her? 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 he hath taken against Edom; and his
purposes, that he hath purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: Surely the least of the
flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make their habitations desolate with them.
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 her
pangs.
23 ¶ Concerning Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad: for they have heard evil
tidings: they are fainthearted; *there is* sorrow on the sea; it cannot be quiet.***†††
24 Damascus is waxed feeble, *and* turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on *her:*
anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travail.
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
Ben-hadad.

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‡ **49:3** their king: or, Melcom § **49:4** thy...: or, thy valley floweth away ** **49:8** turn...: or, they are turned back
†† **49:9** till...: Heb. their sufficiency ‡‡ **49:19** appoint me...: or, convent me in judgment? §§ **49:21** Red sea: Heb.
Weedy sea *** **49:23** fainthearted: Heb. melted ††† **49:23** on...: or, as on the sea

28 ¶ Concerning Kedar, and concerning the kingdoms of Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar
king of Babylon shall smite, thus saith the LORD; Arise ye, go up to Kedar, and spoil the men
of the east.
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 you far off, dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, saith the LORD; for
Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath taken counsel against you, and hath conceived a
purpose against you.‡‡‡
31 Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, that dwelleth without care, saith the LORD,
which have neither gates nor bars, *which* dwell alone.§§§
32 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will
scatter into all winds them *that are* in the utmost corners; and I will bring their calamity
from all sides thereof, saith the LORD.*
33 And Hazor shall be a dwelling for dragons, *and* a desolation for ever: there shall no
man abide there, nor *any* son of man dwell in it.
34 ¶ The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against Elam in the
beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,
35 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their
might.
36 And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven, and will
scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of
Elam shall not come.
37 For I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek
their life: and I will bring evil upon them, *even* my fierce anger, saith the LORD; and I will
send the sword after them, till I have consumed them:
38 And I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes,
saith the LORD.
39 ¶ But it shall come to pass in the latter days, *that* I will bring again the captivity of Elam,
saith the LORD.

50

1 The word that the LORD spake against Babylon *and* against the land of the Chaldeans
by Jeremiah the prophet.*
2 Declare ye among the nations, and publish, and set up a standard; publish, *and* conceal
not: say, Babylon is taken, Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken in pieces; her idols are
confounded, her images are broken in pieces.†
3 For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land
desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and
beast.
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 flocks.
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.§

‡‡‡ **49:30** get...: Heb. flit greatly §§§ **49:31** wealthy: or, that is at ease * **49:32** in...: Heb. cut off into corners, or, that have the corners of their hair polled * **50:1** by...: Heb. by the hand of Jeremiah † **50:2** set up: Heb. lift up ‡ **50:6** restingplace: Heb. place to lie down in § **50:9** expert...: or, destroyer

10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.
11 Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because
ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls;**††
12 Your mother shall be sore confounded; she that bare you shall be ashamed: behold,
the hindermost of the nations *shall be* a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.
13 Because of the wrath of the LORD it shall not be inhabited, but it shall be wholly
desolate: every one that goeth by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.
14 Put yourselves in array against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot
at her, spare no arrows: for she hath sinned against the LORD.
15 Shout against her round about: she hath given her hand: her foundations are fallen,
her walls are thrown down: for it *is* the vengeance of the LORD: take vengeance upon her;
as she hath done, do unto her.
16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the sickle in the time of harvest:
for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn every one to his people, and they shall flee
every one to his own land.‡‡
17 ¶ Israel *is* a scattered sheep; the lions have driven *him* away: first the king of Assyria
hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.
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 feed 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; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will
pardon them whom I reserve.
21 ¶ Go up against the land of Merathaim, *even* against it, and against the inhabitants of
Pekod: waste and utterly destroy after them, saith the LORD, and do according to all that I
have commanded thee.§§***
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 also taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not
aware: thou art found, 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 Slay all her bullocks; let them go 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 declare in Zion the
vengeance of 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 *were*
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 throughly plead their
cause, that he may give rest to the land, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.
35 ¶ A sword *is* upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon,
and upon her princes, and upon her wise *men*.

** **50:11** fat: Heb. big, or, corpulent †† **50:11** bellow...: or, neigh as steeds ‡‡ **50:16** sickle: or, scythe §§ **50:21** of Merathaim: or, of the rebels *** **50:21** Pekod: or, Visitation ††† **50:26** from...: Heb. from the end ‡‡‡ **50:26** cast...: or, tread her §§§ **50:31** most...: Heb. pride * **50:32** the...: Heb. pride

36 A sword *is* upon the liars; and they shall dote: a sword *is* upon her mighty men; and
they shall be dismayed.†
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 drought *is* upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it *is* the land of graven
images, and they are mad upon *their* idols.
39 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell
there, and the owls shall dwell therein: and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither
shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.
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 like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, *every one* put in array, like a
man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of Babylon.
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 like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of
the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man,*
that I may appoint over her? for who *is* like me? and who will appoint me the time? and
who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me?‡
45 Therefore hear ye the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Babylon; and
his purposes, that he hath purposed against the land of the Chaldeans: Surely the least of
the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make *their* habitation desolate with them.
46 At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among
the nations.

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1 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that
dwell in the midst of them that rise up against me, a destroying wind;*
2 And will send unto Babylon fanners, that shall fan her, and shall empty her land: for in
the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.
3 Against *him that* bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against *him that* lifteth
himself up in his brigandine: and spare ye not her young men; destroy ye utterly all her
host.
4 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and *they that are* thrust through in
her streets.
5 For Israel *hath* not *been* forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the LORD of hosts; though
their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel.
6 Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in
her iniquity; for this *is* the time of the LORD's vengeance; he will render unto her a
recompence.
7 Babylon *hath been* a golden cup in the LORD's hand, that made all the earth drunken:
the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad.
8 Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be
she may be healed.
9 We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let us go every
one into his own country: for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up *even* to
the skies.
10 The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the
work of the LORD our God.
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.‡

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† **50:36** liars: or, chief stays: Heb. bars ‡ **50:44** appoint me...: or, convent me to plead? * **51:1** midst: Heb. heart
† **51:11** bright: Heb. pure ‡ **51:12** ambushes: Heb. liers in wait

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 heaven by his understanding.
16 When he uttereth *his* voice, *there is* a multitude of waters in the heavens; and he
causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with rain,
and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.††
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 them; 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 in 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 your 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 kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and
Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough
caterpillers.
28 Prepare against her the nations with the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and
all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.
29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every purpose of the LORD shall be per-
formed against Babylon, to make the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant.
30 The mighty men of Babylon have forborn to fight, they have remained in *their* holds:
their might hath failed; they became as women: they have burned her dwellingplaces; her
bars are broken.
31 One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the
king of Babylon that his city is taken at *one* end,
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; The daughter of Babylon *is* like a
threshingfloor, *it is* time to thresh her: yet a little while, and the time of her harvest shall
come.†††
34 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me, he hath crushed me, he hath
made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly
with my delicates, he hath cast me out.
35 The violence done to me and to my flesh *be* upon Babylon, shall the inhabitant of Zion
say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.‡‡‡§§§*
36 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for
thee; and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.

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§ **51:14** by himself: Heb. by his soul ** **51:14** lift up: Heb. utter †† **51:16** multitude: or, noise ‡‡ **51:17** is brutish...: or, is more brutish than to know §§ **51:20** with thee: or, in thee, or, by thee *** **51:26** desolate...: Heb. everlasting desolations ††† **51:33** it is...: or, in the time that he thresheth her ‡‡‡ **51:35** The violence...: Heb. My violence §§§ **51:35** flesh: or, remainder * **51:35** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress

37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, an astonishment, and
an hissing, without an inhabitant.
38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall yell 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 Sheshach taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised! 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: yea, the
wall of Babylon shall fall.
45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye every man his soul from the
fierce anger of the LORD.
46 And lest your heart faint, and ye fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a
rumour shall both come *one* year, and after that in *another* year *shall come* a rumour, and
violence in the land, ruler against ruler.‡
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 earth.**††
50 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar off,
and let Jerusalem come into your mind.
51 We are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces:
for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the LORD's house.
52 Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do judgment upon her
graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.
53 Though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height
of her strength, *yet* from me shall spoilers come unto her, saith the LORD.
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, every one of their bows is broken: for the LORD God of recompences shall surely
requite.
57 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise *men*, her captains, and her rulers,
and her mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the King,
whose name *is* the LORD of hosts.
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 into Babylon in the fourth
year of his reign. And *this* Seraiah *was* a quiet prince.***†††
60 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, *even* all these
words that are written against Babylon.
61 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see, and shalt
read all these words;

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† **51:38** yell: or, shake themselves ‡ **51:46** lest: or, let not § **51:47** do...: Heb. visit upon ** **51:49** As...: or, Both Babylon is to fall, O ye slain of Israel, and with Babylon, etc †† **51:49** the earth: or, the country ‡‡ **51:58** The broad...: or, The walls of broad Babylon §§ **51:58** broken: or, made naked *** **51:59** with: or, on the behalf of ††† **51:59** quiet...: or, prince of Menucha, or, chief chamberlain

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 it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, *that* thou shalt bind
a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates:
64 And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will
bring upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far *are* the words of Jeremiah.

52

1 Zedekiah *was* one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven
years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of
Libnah.*
2 And he did *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim
had done.
3 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, till he had
cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.
4 ¶ And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth
day of the month, *that* Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against
Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.
5 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.
6 And in the fourth month, in the ninth *day* of the month, the famine was sore in the city,
so that there was no bread for the people of the land.
7 Then the city was broken up, and all the men of war fled, and went forth out of the city
by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which *was* by the king's garden;
(now the Chaldeans *were* by the city round about:) and they went by the way of the plain.
8 ¶ But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the
plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him.
9 Then they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Babylon to Riblah in the
land of Hamath; where he gave judgment upon him.
10 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the
princes of Judah in Riblah.
11 Then he put out the eyes of Zedekiah; and the king of Babylon bound him in chains,
and carried him to Babylon, and put him in prison till the day of his death.†‡§
12 ¶ Now in the fifth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, which *was* the nineteenth
year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzar-adan, captain of the guard, *which*
served the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem,**††
13 And burned the house of the LORD, and the king's house; and all the houses of
Jerusalem, and all the houses of the great *men*, burned he with fire:
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 *certain* of the poor
of the people, and the residue of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell
away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the multitude.
16 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard left *certain* of the poor of the land for
vinedressers and for husbandmen.
17 Also the pillars of brass that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the
brasen sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, the Chaldeans brake, and carried all the
brass of them to Babylon.
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 basons, and the firepans, and the bowls, and the caldrons, and the candle-
sticks, and the spoons, and the cups; *that* which *was* of gold *in* gold, and *that* which *was* of
silver *in* silver, took the captain of the guard away.***
20 The two pillars, one sea, and twelve brasen bulls that *were* under the bases, which king
Solomon had made in the house of the LORD: the brass of all these vessels was without
weight.†††

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‡‡‡ **51:62** desolate: Heb. desolations * **52:1** began...: Heb. reigned † **52:11** put out: Heb. blinded ‡ **52:11** chains: or, fetters § **52:11** prison: Heb. house of the wards ** **52:12** captain...: or, chief marshal: Heb. chief of the executioners, or, slaughtermen †† **52:12** served: Heb. stood before ‡‡ **52:18** shovels: or, instruments to remove the ashes §§ **52:18** bowls: or, basons *** **52:19** firepans: or, censers ††† **52:20** the brass: Heb. their brass

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 chapiter of brass *was* upon it; and the height of one chapiter *was* five cubits,
with network and pomegranates upon the chapiters round about, all *of* brass. The second
pillar also and the pomegranates *were* like unto these.
23 And 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
principal scribe of the host, who mustered the people of the land; and threescore men of
the people of the land, that were found in the midst of the city.*†
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 Jews and three and twenty:
29 In the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem
eight hundred thirty and two persons:‡
30 In the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzar-adan the captain of the
guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: all the
persons *were* four thousand and six hundred.
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 spake kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne 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.**

‡‡‡ **52:21** fillet: Heb. thread §§§ **52:24** door: Heb. threshold * **52:25** were near...: Heb. saw the face of the king † **52:25** principal...: or, scribe of the captain of the host ‡ **52:29** persons: Heb. souls § **52:32** kindly...: Heb. good things with him ** **52:34** every...: Heb. the matter of the day in his day

The Lamentations of Jeremiah

1 How doth the city sit solitary, *that was* full of people! *how* is she become as a widow! she
that was great among the nations, *and* princess among the provinces, *how* is she become
tributary!
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 sigheth, and turneth
backward.‡
9 Her filthiness *is* in her skirts; she remembereth not her last end; therefore she came
down wonderfully: she had no comforter. O LORD, behold my affliction: for the enemy
hath magnified *himself*.
10 The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her pleasant things: for she hath seen
that the heathen entered into her sanctuary, whom thou didst command *that* they should
not enter into thy congregation.§
11 All her people sigh, they seek bread; they have given their pleasant things for meat to
relieve the soul: see, O LORD, and consider; for I am become vile.**
12 ¶ *Is it* nothing to you, all ye that pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like
unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the LORD hath afflicted *me* in the day
of his fierce anger.††‡‡
13 From above hath he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth against them: he hath
spread a net for my feet, he hath turned me back: he hath made me desolate *and* faint all
the day.
14 The yoke of my transgressions is bound by his hand: they are wreathed, *and* come up
upon my neck: he hath made my strength to fall, the Lord hath delivered me into *their*
hands, *from whom* I am not able to rise up.
15 The Lord hath trodden under foot all my mighty *men* in the midst of me: he hath called
an assembly against me to crush my young men: the Lord hath trodden the virgin, the
daughter of Judah, *as* in a winepress.§§
16 For these *things* I weep; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the
comforter that should relieve my soul is far from me: my children are desolate, because
the enemy prevailed.***
17 Zion spreadeth forth her hands, *and there is* none to comfort her: the LORD hath
commanded concerning Jacob, *that* his adversaries *should be* round about him: Jerusalem
is as a menstruous woman among them.
18 ¶ The LORD is righteous; for I have rebelled against his commandment: hear, I pray
you, all people, and behold my sorrow: my virgins and my young men are gone into
captivity.†††
19 I called for my lovers, *but* they deceived me: my priests and mine elders gave up the
ghost in the city, while they sought their meat to relieve their souls.

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* **1:3** because of great...: Heb. for the greatness of servitude † **1:7** pleasant: or, desirable ‡ **1:8** is...: Heb. is become a removing, or, wandering § **1:10** pleasant: or, desirable ** **1:11** to...: or, to make the soul to come again †† **1:12** Is it...: or, It is nothing ‡‡ **1:12** pass by: Heb. pass by the way? §§ **1:15** the virgin...: or, the winepress of the virgin, etc *** **1:16** relieve: Heb. bring back ††† **1:18** commandment: Heb. mouth

20 Behold, O LORD; for I *am* in distress: my bowels are troubled; mine heart is turned
within me; for I have grievously rebelled: abroad the sword bereaveth, at home *there is* as
death.
21 They have heard that I sigh: *there is* none to comfort me: all mine enemies have heard
of my trouble; they are glad that thou hast done *it:* thou wilt bring the day *that* thou hast
called, and they shall be like unto me.‡‡‡
22 Let all their wickedness come before thee; and do unto them, as thou hast done unto
me for all my transgressions: for my sighs *are* many, and my heart *is* faint.

2

1 How hath the Lord covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger, *and* cast
down from heaven unto the earth the beauty of Israel, and remembered not his footstool
in the day of his anger!
2 The Lord hath swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and hath not pitied: he hath
thrown down in his wrath the strong holds of the daughter of Judah; he hath brought *them*
down to the ground: he hath polluted the kingdom and the princes thereof.*
3 He hath cut off in *his* fierce anger all the horn of Israel: he hath drawn back his
right hand from before the enemy, and he burned against Jacob like a flaming fire, *which*
devoureth round about.
4 He hath bent his bow like an enemy: he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and
slew all *that were* pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: he poured
out his fury like fire.†
5 The Lord was as an enemy: he hath swallowed up Israel, he hath swallowed up all her
palaces: he hath destroyed his strong holds, and hath increased in the daughter of Judah
mourning and lamentation.
6 And he hath violently taken away his tabernacle, as *if it were of* a garden: he hath
destroyed his places of the assembly: the LORD hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths
to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the
priest.‡
7 The Lord hath cast off his altar, he hath abhorred his sanctuary, he hath given up into
the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of the
LORD, as in the day of a solemn feast.§
8 The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: he hath stretched
out a line, he hath not withdrawn his hand from destroying: therefore he made the
rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together.**
9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her king
and her princes *are* among the Gentiles: the law *is* no *more;* her prophets also find no vision
from the LORD.
10 The elders of the daughter of Zion sit upon the ground, *and* keep silence: they have
cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: the virgins of
Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.
11 Mine eyes do fail with tears, my bowels are troubled, my liver is poured upon the earth,
for the destruction of the daughter of my people; because the children and the sucklings
swoon in the streets of the city.††
12 They say to their mothers, Where *is* corn and wine? when they swooned as the
wounded in the streets of the city, when their soul was poured out into their mothers'
bosom.
13 What thing shall I take to witness for thee? what thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter
of Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion?
for thy breach *is* great like the sea: who can heal thee?
14 Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered
thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes
of banishment.
15 All that pass by clap *their* hands at thee; they hiss and wag their head at the daughter
of Jerusalem, *saying, Is* this the city that *men* call The perfection of beauty, The joy of the
whole earth?‡‡

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‡‡‡ **1:21** called: or, proclaimed * **2:2** brought...: Heb. made to touch † **2:4** all...: Heb. all the desirable of the eye
‡ **2:6** tabernacle: or, hedge § **2:7** given up: Heb. shut up ** **2:8** destroying: Heb. swallowing up †† **2:11**
swoon: or, faint ‡‡ **2:15** by: Heb. by the way

16 All thine enemies have opened their mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth:
they say, We have swallowed *her* up: certainly this *is* the day that we looked for; we have
found, we have seen *it*.
17 The LORD hath done *that* which he had devised; he hath fulfilled his word that he had
commanded in the days of old: he hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and he hath
caused *thine* enemy to rejoice over thee, he hath set up the horn of thine adversaries.
18 Their heart cried unto the Lord, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like
a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.
19 Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like
water before the face of the Lord: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young
children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street.
20 ¶ Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the women eat
their fruit, *and* children of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the
sanctuary of the Lord?§§
21 The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men
are fallen by the sword; thou hast slain *them* in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, *and*
not pitied.
22 Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about, so that in the day of the
LORD's anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath
mine enemy consumed.

3

1 I *am* the man *that* hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath.
2 He hath led me, and brought *me into* darkness, but not *into* light.
3 Surely against me is he turned; he turneth his hand *against me* all the day.
4 My flesh and my skin hath he made old; he hath broken my bones.
5 He hath builded against me, and compassed *me* with gall and travail.
6 He hath set me in dark places, as *they that be* dead of old.
7 He hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my chain heavy.
8 Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.
9 He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked.
10 He *was* unto me *as* a bear lying in wait, *and as* a lion in secret places.
11 He hath turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces: he hath made me desolate.
12 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.
13 He hath caused the arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.*
14 I was a derision to all my people; *and* their song all the day.
15 He hath filled me with bitterness, he hath made me drunken with wormwood.†
16 He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones, he hath covered me with ashes.‡
17 And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgat prosperity.§
18 And I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:
19 Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.**
20 My soul hath *them* still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.††
21 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.‡‡
22 ¶ *It is of* the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail
not.
23 *They are* new every morning: great *is* thy faithfulness.
24 The LORD *is* my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.
25 The LORD *is* good unto them that wait for him, to the soul *that* seeketh him.
26 *It is* good that *a man* should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.
27 *It is* good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.
28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne *it* upon him.
29 He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.
30 He giveth *his* cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach.
31 For the Lord will not cast off for ever:
32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of
his mercies.
33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.§§

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§§ **2:20** of a span...: or, swaddled with their hands? * **3:13** arrows: Heb. sons † **3:15** bitterness: Heb. bitternesses ‡ **3:16** covered...: or, rolled me in the ashes § **3:17** prosperity: Heb. good ** **3:19** Remembering: or, Remember †† **3:20** humbled: Heb. bowed ‡‡ **3:21** recall...: Heb. make to return to my heart §§ **3:33** willingly: Heb. from his heart

34 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth,
35 To turn aside the right of a man before the face of the most High,***
36 To subvert a man in his cause, the Lord approveth not.†††
37 ¶ Who *is* he *that* saith, and it cometh to pass, *when* the Lord commandeth *it* not?
38 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good?
39 Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?‡‡‡
40 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.
41 Let us lift up our heart with *our* hands unto God in the heavens.
42 We have transgressed and have rebelled: thou hast not pardoned.
43 Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain, thou hast not pitied.
44 Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that *our* prayer should not pass through.
45 Thou hast made us *as* the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people.
46 All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.
47 Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.
48 Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of the daughter of my people.
49 Mine eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission,
50 Till the LORD look down, and behold from heaven.
51 Mine eye affecteth mine heart because of all the daughters of my city.§§§*
52 Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.
53 They have cut off my life in the dungeon, and cast a stone upon me.
54 Waters flowed over mine head; *then* I said, I am cut off.
55 ¶ I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.
56 Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.
57 Thou drewest near in the day *that* I called upon thee: thou saidst, Fear not.
58 O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast redeemed my life.
59 O LORD, thou hast seen my wrong: judge thou my cause.
60 Thou hast seen all their vengeance *and* all their imaginations against me.
61 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, *and* all their imaginations against me;
62 The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day.
63 Behold their sitting down, and their rising up; I *am* their musick.
64 ¶ Render unto them a recompence, O LORD, according to the work of their hands.
65 Give them sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.†
66 Persecute and destroy them in anger from under the heavens of the LORD.

4

1 How is the gold become dim! *how* is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street.
2 The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!
3 Even the sea monsters draw out the breast, they give suck to their young ones: the daughter of my people *is become* cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness.*
4 The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the young children ask bread, *and* no man breaketh *it* unto them.
5 They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills.
6 For the punishment of the iniquity of the daughter of my people is greater than the punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands stayed on her.†
7 Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing *was* of sapphire:
8 Their visage is blacker than a coal; they are not known in the streets: their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick.‡
9 *They that be* slain with the sword are better than *they that be* slain with hunger: for these pine away, stricken through for *want of* the fruits of the field.§
10 The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.

*** **3:35** the most High: or, a superior ††† **3:36** approveth not: or, seeth not ‡‡‡ **3:39** complain: or, murmur §§§ **3:51** mine heart: Heb. my soul * **3:51** because...: or, more than all † **3:65** sorrow...: or, obstinacy of heart * **4:3** sea...: or, sea calves † **4:6** punishment of the iniquity: or, iniquity ‡ **4:8** blacker...: Heb. darker than blackness § **4:9** pine...: Heb. flow out

11 The LORD hath accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, and hath
kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.
12 The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world, would not have believed
that the adversary and the enemy should have entered into the gates of Jerusalem.
13 ¶ For the sins of her prophets, *and* the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood
of the just in the midst of her,
14 They have wandered *as* blind *men* in the streets, they have polluted themselves with
blood, so that men could not touch their garments.**
15 They cried unto them, Depart ye; *it is* unclean; depart, depart, touch not: when they
fled away and wandered, they said among the heathen, They shall no more sojourn *there*.††
16 The anger of the LORD hath divided them; he will no more regard them: they respected
not the persons of the priests, they favoured not the elders.‡‡
17 As for us, our eyes as yet failed for our vain help: in our watching we have watched
for a nation *that* could not save *us*.
18 They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets: our end is near, our days are
fulfilled; for our end is come.
19 Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the
mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness.
20 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom
we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.
21 ¶ Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Uz; the cup also
shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.
22 ¶ The punishment of thine iniquity is accomplished, O daughter of Zion; he will no
more carry thee away into captivity: he will visit thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom; he
will discover thy sins.§§***

5

1 Remember, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach.
2 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.
3 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers *are* as widows.
4 We have drunken our water for money; our wood is sold unto us.*
5 Our necks *are* under persecution: we labour, *and* have no rest.†
6 We have given the hand *to* the Egyptians, *and to* the Assyrians, to be satisfied with
bread.
7 Our fathers have sinned, *and are* not; and we have borne their iniquities.
8 Servants have ruled over us: *there is* none that doth deliver *us* out of their hand.
9 We gat our bread with *the peril of* our lives because of the sword of the wilderness.
10 Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible famine.‡
11 They ravished the women in Zion, *and* the maids in the cities of Judah.
12 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not honoured.
13 They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the wood.
14 The elders have ceased from the gate, the young men from their musick.
15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.
16 The crown is fallen *from* our head: woe unto us, that we have sinned!§
17 For this our heart is faint; for these *things* our eyes are dim.
18 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walk upon it.
19 Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation.
20 Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, *and* forsake us so long time?**
21 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.
22 But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.††

** **4:14** so...: or, in that they could not but touch †† **4:15** it...: or, ye polluted ‡‡ **4:16** anger: or, face §§ **4:22** The...: or, Thine iniquity *** **4:22** discover...: or, carry thee captive for thy sins * **5:4** is...: Heb. cometh for price † **5:5** Our...: Heb. On our necks are we persecuted ‡ **5:10** terrible: or, terrors, or, storms § **5:16** The...: Heb. The crown of our head is fallen ** **5:20** so...: Heb. for length of days? †† **5:22** But...: or, For wilt thou utterly reject us?

The Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

1 Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the
month, as I *was* among the captives by the river of Chebar, *that* the heavens were opened,
and I saw visions of God.*
2 In the fifth *day* of the month, which *was* the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity,
3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the
land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.†
4 ¶ And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire
infolding itself, and a brightness *was* about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of
amber, out of the midst of the fire.‡
5 Also out of the midst thereof *came* the likeness of four living creatures. And this *was*
their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.
6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.
7 And their feet *were* straight feet; and the sole of their feet *was* like the sole of a calf's
foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.§
8 And *they had* the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four
had their faces and their wings.
9 Their wings *were* joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went
every one straight forward.
10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion,
on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the
face of an eagle.
11 Thus *were* their faces: and their wings *were* stretched upward; two *wings* of every one
were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.**
12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; *and*
they turned not when they went.
13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance *was* like burning coals of
fire, *and* like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures;
and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.
14 And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.
15 ¶ Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living
creatures, with his four faces.
16 The appearance of the wheels and their work *was* like unto the colour of a beryl: and
they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work *was* as it were a wheel in
the middle of a wheel.
17 When they went, they went upon their four sides: *and* they turned not when they went.
18 As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their rings *were* full
of eyes round about them four.††
19 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living
creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.
20 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither *was their* spirit to go; and the
wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature *was* in the
wheels.‡‡
21 When those went, *these* went; and when those stood, *these* stood; and when those were
lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the
living creature *was* in the wheels.§§
22 And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature *was* as the
colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.
23 And under the firmament *were* their wings straight, the one toward the other: every
one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that
side, their bodies.
24 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters,
as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood,
they let down their wings.

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* **1:1** captives: Heb. captivity † **1:3** Ezekiel: Heb. Jehezkel ‡ **1:4** infolding...: Heb. catching itself § **1:7** straight...: Heb. a straight foot ** **1:11** stretched...: or, divided above †† **1:18** and their rings: or, and their strakes ‡‡ **1:20** of...: or, of life §§ **1:21** of...: or, of life

25 And there was a voice from the firmament that *was* over their heads, when they stood,
and had let down their wings.
26 ¶ And above the firmament that *was* over their heads *was* the likeness of a throne, as
the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne *was* the likeness
as the appearance of a man above upon it.
27 And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it,
from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even
downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.
28 As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so *was* the
appearance of the brightness round about. This *was* the appearance of the likeness of the
glory of the LORD. And when I saw *it*, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that
spake.

2

1 And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee.
2 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I
heard him that spake unto me.
3 And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious
nation that hath rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me,
even unto this very day.*
4 For *they are* impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou
shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.†
5 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they *are* a rebellious
house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.
6 ¶ And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though
briers and thorns *be* with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their
words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they *be* a rebellious house.‡
7 And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will
forbear: for they *are* most rebellious.§
8 But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou rebellious like that
rebellious house: open thy mouth, and eat that I give thee.
9 ¶ And when I looked, behold, an hand *was* sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book *was*
therein;
10 And he spread it before me; and it *was* written within and without: and *there was*
written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

3

1 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak
unto the house of Israel.
2 So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll.
3 And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll
that I give thee. Then did I eat *it;* and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness.
4 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with
my words unto them.
5 For thou *art* not sent to a people of a strange speech and of an hard language, *but* to the
house of Israel;*
6 Not to many people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou
canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto
thee.†‡
7 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me:
for all the house of Israel *are* impudent and hardhearted.§
8 Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against
their foreheads.
9 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be
dismayed at their looks, though they *be* a rebellious house.
10 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive
in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.

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* **2:3** nation: Heb. nations † **2:4** impudent: Heb. hard of face ‡ **2:6** briers...: or, rebels § **2:7** most...: Heb. rebellion * **3:5** of a...: Heb. deep of lip, and heavy of tongue † **3:6** of a...: Heb. deep of lip, and heavy of language ‡ **3:6** Surely...: or, If I had sent thee, etc. would they not have hearkened unto thee? § **3:7** impudent...: Heb. stiff of forehead, and hard of heart

11 And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak
unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether
they will forbear.
12 Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, *saying*,
Blessed *be* the glory of the LORD from his place.
13 *I heard* also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and
the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.**
14 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my
spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.††‡‡
15 ¶ Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar,
and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days.
16 And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me,
saying,
17 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the
word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.
18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning,
nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked
man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.
19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked
way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.
20 Again, When a righteous *man* doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity,
and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him
warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be
remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.§§
21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous *man*, that the righteous sin not, and he doth
not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.
22 ¶ And the hand of the LORD was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth
into the plain, and I will there talk with thee.
23 Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood
there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face.
24 Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said
unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house.
25 But thou, O son of man, behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee
with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:
26 And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb,
and shalt not be to them a reprover: for they *are* a rebellious house.***
27 But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus
saith the Lord GOD; He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear:
for they *are* a rebellious house.

4

1 Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the
city, *even* Jerusalem:
2 And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the
camp also against it, and set *battering* rams against it round about.*
3 Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it *for* a wall of iron between thee and
the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against
it. This *shall be* a sign to the house of Israel.†
4 Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it:
according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.
5 For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the
days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.
6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear
the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year.‡
7 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm *shall be*
uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

** **3:13** touched: Heb. kissed †† **3:14** in bitterness: Heb. bitter ‡‡ **3:14** heat: Heb. hot anger §§ **3:20** righteousness which: Heb. righteousnesses *** **3:26** a reprover: Heb. a man reproving * **4:2** battering...: chief leaders † **4:3** an...: or, a flat plate, or, slice ‡ **4:6** each...: Heb. a day for a year, a day for a year

8 And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee from one side to
another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.§
9 ¶ Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and
fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, *according* to the number
of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat
thereof.**
10 And thy meat which thou shalt eat *shall be* by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time
to time shalt thou eat it.
11 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time
shalt thou drink.
12 And thou shalt eat it *as* barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out
of man, in their sight.
13 And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among
the Gentiles, whither I will drive them.
14 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth
up even till now have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither
came there abominable flesh into my mouth.
15 Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt
prepare thy bread therewith.
16 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in
Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water
by measure, and with astonishment:
17 That they may want bread and water, and be astonied one with another, and consume
away for their iniquity.

5

1 And thou, son of man, take thee a sharp knife, take thee a barber's razor, and cause *it*
to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take thee balances to weigh, and divide
the *hair*.
2 Thou shalt burn with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege
are fulfilled: and thou shalt take a third part, *and* smite about it with a knife: and a third
part thou shalt scatter in the wind; and I will draw out a sword after them.
3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy skirts.*
4 Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the
fire; *for* thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.
5 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; This *is* Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of the nations
and countries *that are* round about her.
6 And she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my
statutes more than the countries that *are* round about her: for they have refused my
judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them.
7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye multiplied more than the nations that
are round about you, *and* have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept my judgments,
neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that *are* round about you;
8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, *am* against thee, and will execute
judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.
9 And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more
the like, because of all thine abominations.
10 Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their
fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter
into all the winds.
11 Wherefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast defiled my
sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will
I also diminish *thee;* neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.
12 ¶ A third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be
consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee;
and I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.
13 Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest upon them,
and I will be comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken *it* in my zeal,
when I have accomplished my fury in them.

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§ **4:8** from one...: Heb. from thy side to thy side ** **4:9** fitches: or, spelt * **5:3** skirts: Heb. wings

14 Moreover I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that *are* round
about thee, in the sight of all that pass by.
15 So it shall be a reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment unto the
nations that *are* round about thee, when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in
fury and in furious rebukes. I the LORD have spoken *it*.
16 When I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for *their*
destruction, *and* which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you,
and will break your staff of bread:
17 So will I send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee; and
pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and I will bring the sword upon thee. I the
LORD have spoken *it*.

6

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,
3 And say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord
GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys; Behold, I, *even* I,
will bring a sword upon you, and I will destroy your high places.
4 And your altars shall be desolate, and your images shall be broken: and I will cast down
your slain *men* before your idols.*
5 And I will lay the dead carcases of the children of Israel before their idols; and I will
scatter your bones round about your altars.†
6 In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be
desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be
broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your works may be abolished.‡
7 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
8 ¶ Yet will I leave a remnant, that ye may have *some* that shall escape the sword among
the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.
9 And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall
be carried captives, because I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed
from me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols: and they shall lothe
themselves for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations.
10 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, *and that* I have not said in vain that I would
do this evil unto them.
11 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say,
Alas for all the evil abominations of the house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by
the famine, and by the pestilence.
12 He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword;
and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my
fury upon them.
13 Then shall ye know that I *am* the LORD, when their slain *men* shall be among their idols
round about their altars, upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under
every green tree, and under every thick oak, the place where they did offer sweet savour
to all their idols.
14 So will I stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, more
desolate than the wilderness toward Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know
that I *am* the LORD.§

7

1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD unto the land of Israel; An end, the end
is come upon the four corners of the land.
3 Now *is* the end *come* upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge
thee according to thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations.*
4 And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy
ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know
that I *am* the LORD.
5 Thus saith the Lord GOD; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come.
6 An end is come, the end is come: it watcheth for thee; behold, it is come.†

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* **6:4** images: or, sun images † **6:5** lay: Heb. give ‡ **6:6** images: or, sun images § **6:14** more...: or, desolate from the wilderness * **7:3** recompense: Heb. give † **7:6** watcheth for: Heb. awaketh against

7 The morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: the time is come, the
day of trouble *is* near, and not the sounding again of the mountains.‡
8 Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon
thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine
abominations.
9 And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according
to thy ways and thine abominations *that* are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I
am the LORD that smiteth.§
10 Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed,
pride hath budded.
11 Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them *shall remain*, nor of their
multitude, nor of any of theirs: neither *shall there be* wailing for them.**
12 The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn:
for wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.
13 For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, although they were yet alive: for
the vision *is* touching the whole multitude thereof, *which* shall not return; neither shall
any strengthen himself in the iniquity of his life.††‡‡§§
14 They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for
my wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.
15 The sword *is* without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that *is* in the field
shall die with the sword; and he that *is* in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.
16 ¶ But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves
of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity.
17 All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall be weak *as* water.***
18 They shall also gird *themselves* with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame
shall be upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads.
19 They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver
and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD: they
shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels: because it is the stumblingblock of
their iniquity.†††‡‡‡
20 ¶ As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty: but they made the images of
their abominations *and* of their detestable things therein: therefore have I set it far from
them.§§§
21 And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the
earth for a spoil; and they shall pollute it.
22 My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute my secret *place:* for the
robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.*
23 ¶ Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence.
24 Wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possess their houses: I
will also make the pomp of the strong to cease; and their holy places shall be defiled.†
25 Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and *there shall be* none.‡
26 Mischief shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour; then shall they
seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the
ancients.
27 The king shall mourn, and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of
the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and according
to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.§

8

1 And it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, *as*
I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord GOD
fell there upon me.

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‡ **7:7** sounding...: or, echo § **7:9** thee according: Heb. upon thee, etc ** **7:11** theirs: or, their tumultuous persons: Heb. tumult †† **7:13** although they...: Heb. though their life were yet among the living ‡‡ **7:13** in the...: or, whose life is in his iniquity §§ **7:13** the iniquity: Heb. his iniquity *** **7:17** be weak...: Heb. go into water ††† **7:19** removed: Heb. for a separation, or, uncleanness ‡‡‡ **7:19** it is...: or, their iniquity is their stumblingblock §§§ **7:20** set it far...: or, made it unto them an unclean thing * **7:22** robbers: or, burglers † **7:24** their holy...: or, they shall inherit their holy places ‡ **7:25** Destruction: Heb. Cutting off § **7:27** according...: Heb. with their judgments

2 Then I beheld, and lo a likeness as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of
his loins even downward, fire; and from his loins even upward, as the appearance of
brightness, as the colour of amber.
3 And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the
spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God
to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where *was* the
seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.
4 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel *was* there, according to the vision that I saw
in the plain.
5 ¶ Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north.
So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the
altar this image of jealousy in the entry.
6 He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? *even* the great
abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my
sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations.
7 ¶ And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the
wall.
8 Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the
wall, behold a door.
9 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.
10 So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable
beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about.
11 And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and
in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censer in his
hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up.
12 Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of
Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD
seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.
13 ¶ He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations
that they do.
14 Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD's house which *was* toward the
north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.
15 ¶ Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? turn thee yet again, *and*
thou shalt see greater abominations than these.
16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door
of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, *were* about five and twenty
men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and
they worshipped the sun toward the east.
17 ¶ Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house
of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled
the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the
branch to their nose.*
18 Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and
though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, *yet* will I not hear them.

9

1 He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over
the city to draw near, even every man *with* his destroying weapon in his hand.
2 And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the
north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them *was*
clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside
the brasen altar.*†‡
3 And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was,
to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which *had* the
writer's inkhorn by his side;
4 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of
Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the
abominations that be done in the midst thereof.§

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* **8:17** Is it...: or, Is there any thing lighter than to commit * **9:2** which lieth: Heb. which is turned † **9:2** a slaughter...: Heb. a weapon of his breaking in pieces ‡ **9:2** by his...: Heb. upon his loins § **9:4** set a mark: Heb. mark a mark

5 ¶ And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite:
let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:**
6 Slay utterly old *and* young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not
near any man upon whom *is* the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the
ancient men which *were* before the house.††
7 And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth.
And they went forth, and slew in the city.
8 ¶ And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell upon my
face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy
pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?
9 Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah *is* exceeding great,
and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: for they say, The LORD hath
forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.‡‡§§
10 And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, *but* I will
recompense their way upon their head.
11 And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which *had* the inkhorn by his side, reported
the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.***

10

1 Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims
there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of
a throne.
2 And he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, *even*
under the cherub, and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and
scatter *them* over the city. And he went in in my sight.*
3 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the
cloud filled the inner court.
4 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, *and stood* over the threshold of
the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness
of the LORD's glory.†
5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard *even* to the outer court, as the voice
of the Almighty God when he speaketh.
6 And it came to pass, *that* when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying,
Take fire from between the wheels, from between the cherubims; then he went in, and
stood beside the wheels.
7 And *one* cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire
that *was* between the cherubims, and took *thereof*, and put *it* into the hands of *him that*
was clothed with linen: who took *it*, and went out.‡
8 ¶ And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings.
9 And when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub,
and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels *was* as the colour
of a beryl stone.
10 And *as for* their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if a wheel had been in the
midst of a wheel.
11 When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to
the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.
12 And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the
wheels, *were* full of eyes round about, *even* the wheels that they four had.§
13 As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel.**
14 And every one had four faces: the first face *was* the face of a cherub, and the second
face *was* the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an
eagle.
15 And the cherubims were lifted up. This *is* the living creature that I saw by the river of
Chebar.

** **9:5** mine hearing: Heb. mine ears †† **9:6** utterly: Heb. to destruction ‡‡ **9:9** full of blood: Heb. filled with, etc §§ **9:9** perverseness: or, wresting of judgment *** **9:11** reported...: Heb. returned the word * **10:2** thine hand: Heb. the hollow of thine hand † **10:4** went up: Heb. was lifted up ‡ **10:7** stretched forth: Heb. sent forth § **10:12** body: Heb. flesh ** **10:13** it was...: or, they were called in my hearing, wheel, or, galgal

16 And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims
lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from
beside them.
17 When they stood, *these* stood; and when they were lifted up, *these* lifted up themselves
also: for the spirit of the living creature *was* in them.††
18 Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood
over the cherubims.
19 And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight:
when they went out, the wheels also *were* beside them, and *every one* stood at the door of
the east gate of the LORD's house; and the glory of the God of Israel *was* over them above.
20 This *is* the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and
I knew that they *were* the cherubims.
21 Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the
hands of a man *was* under their wings.
22 And the likeness of their faces *was* the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar,
their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

11

1 Moreover the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD's house,
which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among
whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the
people.
2 Then said he unto me, Son of man, these *are* the men that devise mischief, and give
wicked counsel in this city:
3 Which say, *It is* not near; let us build houses: this *city is* the caldron, and we *be* the flesh.*
4 ¶ Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man.
5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD;
Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, *every
one of* them.
6 Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the
slain.
7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they
are the flesh, and this *city is* the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.
8 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD.
9 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof, and deliver you into the hands of strangers,
and will execute judgments among you.
10 Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and ye shall know
that I *am* the LORD.
11 This *city* shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof;
but I will judge you in the border of Israel:
12 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD: for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither
executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that *are* round
about you.†
13 ¶ And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then
fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou
make a full end of the remnant of Israel?
14 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
15 Son of man, thy brethren, *even* thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house
of Israel wholly, *are* they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far
from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession.
16 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast them far off among the
heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as
a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.
17 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you from the people, and
assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the
land of Israel.
18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof
and all the abominations thereof from thence.

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†† **10:17** of...: or, of life * **11:3** It is...: or, It is not for us to build houses near † **11:12** for ye...: or, which have not walked

19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take
the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:
20 That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they
shall be my people, and I will be their God.
21 But *as for them* whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their
abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads, saith the Lord GOD.
22 ¶ Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory
of the God of Israel *was* over them above.
23 And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the
mountain which *is* on the east side of the city.
24 ¶ Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into
Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me.
25 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the LORD had shewed me.

12

1 The word of the LORD also came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see,
and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they *are* a rebellious house.
3 Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee stuff for removing, and remove by day in their
sight; and thou shalt remove from thy place to another place in their sight: it may be they
will consider, though they *be* a rebellious house.*
4 Then shalt thou bring forth thy stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing: and
thou shalt go forth at even in their sight, as they that go forth into captivity.†
5 Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.‡
6 In their sight shalt thou bear *it* upon *thy* shoulders, *and* carry *it* forth in the twilight:
thou shalt cover thy face, that thou see not the ground: for I have set thee *for* a sign unto
the house of Israel.
7 And I did so as I was commanded: I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for captivity,
and in the even I digged through the wall with mine hand; I brought *it* forth in the twilight,
and I bare *it* upon *my* shoulder in their sight.§
8 ¶ And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,
9 Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What
doest thou?
10 Say thou unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; This burden *concerneth* the prince in
Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel that *are* among them.
11 Say, I *am* your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them: they shall remove
and go into captivity.**
12 And the prince that *is* among them shall bear upon *his* shoulder in the twilight, and
shall go forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall cover his face,
that he see not the ground with *his* eyes.
13 My net also will I spread upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare: and I will bring
him to Babylon *to* the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there.
14 And I will scatter toward every wind all that *are* about him to help him, and all his
bands; and I will draw out the sword after them.
15 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations,
and disperse them in the countries.
16 But I will leave a few men of them from the sword, from the famine, and from the
pestilence; that they may declare all their abominations among the heathen whither they
come; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.††
17 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
18 Son of man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with
carefulness;
19 And say unto the people of the land, Thus saith the Lord GOD of the inhabitants of
Jerusalem, *and* of the land of Israel; They shall eat their bread with carefulness, and drink
their water with astonishment, that her land may be desolate from all that is therein,
because of the violence of all them that dwell therein.‡‡

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* **12:3** stuff: or, instruments † **12:4** as they...: Heb. as the goings forth of captivity ‡ **12:5** Dig...: Heb. Dig for thee § **12:7** digged: Heb. digged for me ** **12:11** they...: Heb. by removing go into captivity †† **12:16** a few...: Heb. men of number ‡‡ **12:19** all that...: Heb. the fulness thereof

20 And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and
ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
21 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
22 Son of man, what *is* that proverb *that* ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The days are
prolonged, and every vision faileth?
23 Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will make this proverb to cease, and
they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, The days are at hand,
and the effect of every vision.
24 For there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering divination within the house
of Israel.
25 For I *am* the LORD: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it
shall be no more prolonged: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and
will perform it, saith the Lord GOD.
26 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
27 Son of man, behold, *they of* the house of Israel say, The vision that he seeth *is* for many
days *to come*, and he prophesieth of the times *that are* far off.
28 Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; There shall none of my words be
prolonged any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, saith the Lord GOD.

13

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto
them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;*
3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit,
and have seen nothing!†‡
4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.
5 Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to
stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.§**
6 They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The LORD saith: and the LORD hath
not sent them: and they have made *others* to hope that they would confirm the word.
7 Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination, whereas ye
say, The LORD saith *it;* albeit I have not spoken?
8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies,
therefore, behold, I *am* against you, saith the Lord GOD.
9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies: they
shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of
the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I
am the Lord GOD.††
10 ¶ Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and *there was*
no peace; and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered *morter:*‡‡
11 Say unto them which daub *it* with untempered *morter*, that it shall fall: there shall be
an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend
it.
12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where *is* the daubing
wherewith ye have daubed *it*?
13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even rend *it* with a stormy wind in my fury;
and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in *my* fury
to consume *it*.
14 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered *morter*, and bring
it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall,
and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it
with untempered *morter*, and will say unto you, The wall *is* no *more*, neither they that
daubed it;
16 *To wit*, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see
visions of peace for her, and *there is* no peace, saith the Lord GOD.
17 ¶ Likewise, thou son of man, set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which
prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them,

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* **13:2** that prophesy out...: Heb. that are prophets out of their own hearts † **13:3** follow: Heb. walk after ‡ **13:3** and...: or, and things which they have not seen § **13:5** gaps: or, breaches ** **13:5** made...: Heb. hedged the hedge †† **13:9** assembly: or, secret, or, counsel ‡‡ **13:10** a wall: or, a slight wall

18 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the *women* that sew pillows to all armholes,
and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to hunt souls! Will ye hunt the souls of
my people, and will ye save the souls alive *that come* unto you?§§
19 And will ye pollute me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread,
to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your
lying to my people that hear *your* lies?
20 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against your pillows, wherewith ye
there hunt the souls to make *them* fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the
souls go, *even* the souls that ye hunt to make *them* fly.***
21 Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall
be no more in your hand to be hunted; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
22 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made
sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked
way, by promising him life:†††
23 Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my
people out of your hand: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

14

1 Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.
2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
3 Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock
of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?
4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man
of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock
of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that
cometh according to the multitude of his idols;
5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged
from me through their idols.
6 ¶ Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn
yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.*
7 For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel,
which separateth himself from me, and setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the
stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him
concerning me; I the LORD will answer him by myself:
8 And I will set my face against that man, and will make him a sign and a proverb, and I
will cut him off from the midst of my people; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD have deceived
that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst
of my people Israel.
10 And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the prophet
shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh *unto him;*
11 That the house of Israel may go no more astray from me, neither be polluted any more
with all their transgressions; but that they may be my people, and I may be their God, saith
the Lord GOD.
12 ¶ The word of the LORD came again to me, saying,
13 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I
stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of the bread thereof, and will send
famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:
14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver *but* their
own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.
15 ¶ If I cause noisome beasts to pass through the land, and they spoil it, so that it be
desolate, that no man may pass through because of the beasts:†
16 *Though* these three men *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver
neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.‡
17 ¶ Or *if* I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut
off man and beast from it:
18 Though these three men *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver
neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.

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§§ **13:18** armholes: or, elbows *** **13:20** to make...: or, into gardens ††† **13:22** by...: or, that I should save his life: Heb. by quickening him * **14:6** yourselves: or, others † **14:15** spoil: or, bereave ‡ **14:16** in it: Heb. in the midst of it

19 ¶ Or *if* I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my fury upon it in blood, to cut
off from it man and beast:
20 Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver
neither son nor daughter; they shall *but* deliver their own souls by their righteousness.
21 For thus saith the Lord GOD; How much more when I send my four sore judgments
upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence, to
cut off from it man and beast?§
22 ¶ Yet, behold, therein shall be left a remnant that shall be brought forth, *both* sons and
daughters: behold, they shall come forth unto you, and ye shall see their way and their
doings: and ye shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem,
even concerning all that I have brought upon it.
23 And they shall comfort you, when ye see their ways and their doings: and ye shall
know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord GOD.

15

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, What is the vine tree more than any tree, *or than* a branch which is among
the trees of the forest?
3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work? or will *men* take a pin of it to hang any
vessel thereon?
4 Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuel; the fire devoureth both the ends of it, and the
midst of it is burned. Is it meet for *any* work?*
5 Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no work: how much less shall it be meet yet
for *any* work, when the fire hath devoured it, and it is burned?†
6 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As the vine tree among the trees of the forest,
which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
7 And I will set my face against them; they shall go out from *one* fire, and *another* fire
shall devour them; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I set my face against them.
8 And I will make the land desolate, because they have committed a trespass, saith the
Lord GOD.‡

16

1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know her abominations,
3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem; Thy birth and thy nativity *is* of the
land of Canaan; thy father *was* an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.*
4 And *as for* thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast
thou washed in water to supple *thee;* thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all.†
5 None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but
thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast
born.
6 ¶ And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee
when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, Live.‡
7 I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen
great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments: *thy* breasts are fashioned, and thine hair
is grown, whereas thou *wast* naked and bare.§**
8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time *was* the time of
love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee,
and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.
9 Then washed I thee with water; yea, I throughly washed away thy blood from thee, and
I anointed thee with oil.††
10 I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with badgers' skin, and I girded
thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk.
11 I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy hands, and a chain on
thy neck.
12 And I put a jewel on thy forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown
upon thine head.‡‡

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§ **14:21** How...: or, Also when * **15:4** Is it...: Heb. Will it prosper? † **15:5** meet: Heb. made fit ‡ **15:8** committed...: Heb. trespassed a trespass * **16:3** birth: Heb. cutting out, or, habitation † **16:4** to supple...: or, when I looked upon thee ‡ **16:6** polluted: or, trodden under foot § **16:7** caused...: Heb. made thee a million ** **16:7** excellent...: Heb. ornament of ornaments †† **16:9** blood: Heb. bloods ‡‡ **16:12** forehead: Heb. nose

13 Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment *was of* fine linen, and silk,
and broidered work; thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast exceeding
beautiful, and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.
14 And thy renown went forth among the heathen for thy beauty: for it *was* perfect
through my comeliness, which I had put upon thee, saith the Lord GOD.
15 ¶ But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy
renown, and pouredst out thy fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.
16 And of thy garments thou didst take, and deckedst thy high places with divers colours,
and playedst the harlot thereupon: *the like things* shall not come, neither shall it be *so*.
17 Thou hast also taken thy fair jewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee,
and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them,§§
18 And tookest thy broidered garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil
and mine incense before them.
19 My meat also which I gave thee, fine flour, and oil, and honey, *wherewith* I fed thee,
thou hast even set it before them for a sweet savour: and *thus* it was, saith the Lord GOD.***
20 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me,
and these hast thou sacrificed unto them to be devoured. *Is this* of thy whoredoms a small
matter,†††
21 That thou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through
the fire for them?
22 And in all thine abominations and thy whoredoms thou hast not remembered the days
of thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare, *and* wast polluted in thy blood.
23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the Lord GOD;)
24 *That* thou hast also built unto thee an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place
in every street.‡‡‡
25 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty
to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy
whoredoms.
26 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of
flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.
27 Behold, therefore I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine
ordinary *food*, and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, the daughters of the
Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.§§§
28 Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable;
yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.
29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea;
and yet thou wast not satisfied herewith.
30 How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these *things*, the
work of an imperious whorish woman;
31 In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine
high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire;*
32 *But as* a wife that committeth adultery, *which* taketh strangers instead of her husband!
33 They give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and hirest them,
that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.†
34 And the contrary is in thee from *other* women in thy whoredoms, whereas none
followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward
is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.
35 ¶ Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD:
36 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness
discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abomina-
tions, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;
37 Behold, therefore I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and
all *them* that thou hast loved, with all *them* that thou hast hated; I will even gather them
round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see
all thy nakedness.
38 And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I
will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.‡

§§ **16:17** of men: Heb. of a male *** **16:19** a sweet...: Heb. a savour of rest ††† **16:20** to be...: Heb. to devour
‡‡‡ **16:24** eminent...: or, brothel house §§§ **16:27** daughters: or, cities * **16:31** In that thou buildest...: or, In thy
daughters is thine, etc † **16:33** hirest: Heb. bribest ‡ **16:38** as: Heb. with judgments of

39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine eminent
place, and shall break down thy high places: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and
shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.§
40 They shall also bring up a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones,
and thrust thee through with their swords.
41 And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the
sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also
shalt give no hire any more.
42 So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and
I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.
43 Because thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast fretted me in all
these *things;* behold, therefore I also will recompense thy way upon *thine* head, saith the
Lord GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations.
44 ¶ Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use *this* proverb against thee, saying, As
is the mother, *so is* her daughter.
45 Thou *art* thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her children; and thou
art the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their children: your mother
was an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.
46 And thine elder sister *is* Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand:
and thy younger sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, *is* Sodom and her daughters.**
47 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, as
if that were a very little *thing*, thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.††
48 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters,
as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.
49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and
abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the
hand of the poor and needy.
50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them
away as I saw *good*.
51 Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy sins; but thou hast multiplied thine
abominations more than they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine abominations which
thou hast done.
52 Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy sins that thou
hast committed more abominable than they: they are more righteous than thou: yea, be
thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters.
53 When I shall bring again their captivity, the captivity of Sodom and her daughters,
and the captivity of Samaria and her daughters, then *will I bring again* the captivity of thy
captives in the midst of them:
54 That thou mayest bear thine own shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou
hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto them.
55 When thy sisters, Sodom and her daughters, shall return to their former estate, and
Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters
shall return to your former estate.
56 For thy sister Sodom was not mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy pride,‡‡§§
57 Before thy wickedness was discovered, as at the time of *thy* reproach of the daughters
of Syria, and all *that are* round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which despise
thee round about.***†††
58 Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD.‡‡‡
59 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast
despised the oath in breaking the covenant.
60 ¶ Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I
will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.
61 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy
sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for daughters, but not
by thy covenant.
62 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD:

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§ **16:39** thy fair...: Heb. instruments of thine ornament ** **16:46** thy younger: Heb. lesser than thou †† **16:47** as if...: or, that was lothed as a small thing ‡‡ **16:56** mentioned: Heb. for a report, or, hearing §§ **16:56** pride: Heb. prides, or, excellencies *** **16:57** Syria: Heb. Aram ††† **16:57** despise: or, spoil ‡‡‡ **16:58** borne: Heb. borne them

63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and never open thy mouth any more
because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the
Lord GOD.

17

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel;
3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of
feathers, which had divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of
the cedar:*
4 He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffick; he set it
in a city of merchants.
5 He took also of the seed of the land, and planted it in a fruitful field; he placed *it* by great
waters, *and* set it *as* a willow tree.†
6 And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned
toward him, and the roots thereof were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth
branches, and shot forth sprigs.
7 There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold,
this vine did bend her roots toward him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he
might water it by the furrows of her plantation.
8 It was planted in a good soil by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, and
that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine.‡
9 Say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Shall it prosper? shall he not pull up the roots
thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her
spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.
10 Yea, behold, *being* planted, shall it prosper? shall it not utterly wither, when the east
wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.
11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
12 Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these *things mean*? tell *them*,
Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and
the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;
13 And hath taken of the king's seed, and made a covenant with him, and hath taken an
oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:§
14 That the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up, *but* that by keeping of
his covenant it might stand.**
15 But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might
give him horses and much people. Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such *things*?
or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?
16 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely in the place *where* the king *dwelleth* that made him
king, whose oath he despised, and whose covenant he brake, *even* with him in the midst of
Babylon he shall die.
17 Neither shall Pharaoh with *his* mighty army and great company make for him in the
war, by casting up mounts, and building forts, to cut off many persons:
18 Seeing he despised the oath by breaking the covenant, when, lo, he had given his hand,
and hath done all these *things*, he shall not escape.
19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; *As* I live, surely mine oath that he hath despised,
and my covenant that he hath broken, even it will I recompense upon his own head.
20 And I will spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring
him to Babylon, and will plead with him there for his trespass that he hath trespassed
against me.
21 And all his fugitives with all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remain
shall be scattered toward all winds: and ye shall know that I the LORD have spoken *it*.
22 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also take of the highest branch of the high cedar, and
will set *it;* I will crop off from the top of his young twigs a tender one, and will plant *it* upon
an high mountain and eminent:
23 In the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it: and it shall bring forth boughs,
and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar: and under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing; in
the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.

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* **17:3** divers...: Heb. embroidering † **17:5** planted...: Heb. put it in a field of seed ‡ **17:8** soil: Heb. field § **17:13** taken an...: Heb. brought him to an oath ** **17:14** but...: Heb. to keep his covenant, to stand to it

24 And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD have brought down the high
tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree
to flourish: I the LORD have spoken and have done *it*.

18

1 The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,
2 What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The
fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?
3 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, ye shall not have *occasion* any more to use this proverb in
Israel.
4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine:
the soul that sinneth, it shall die.
5 ¶ But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right,*
6 *And* hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of
the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a
menstruous woman,
7 And hath not oppressed any, *but* hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled
none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a
garment;
8 He *that* hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, *that* hath
withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man,
9 Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly; he *is* just, he
shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD.
10 ¶ If he beget a son *that is* a robber, a shedder of blood, and *that* doeth the like to *any*
one of these *things*,†‡
11 And that doeth not any of those *duties*, but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and
defiled his neighbour's wife,
12 Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath spoiled by violence, hath not restored the
pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols, hath committed abomination,
13 Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not
live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.§
14 ¶ Now, lo, *if* he beget a son, that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done, and
considereth, and doeth not such like,
15 *That* hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of
the house of Israel, hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,
16 Neither hath oppressed any, hath not withholden the pledge, neither hath spoiled
by violence, *but* hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a
garment,**
17 *That* hath taken off his hand from the poor, *that* hath not received usury nor increase,
hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes; he shall not die for the iniquity
of his father, he shall surely live.
18 *As for* his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and
did *that* which *is* not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.
19 ¶ Yet say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath
done that which is lawful and right, *and* hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them, he
shall surely live.
20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father,
neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous
shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.
21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my
statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.
22 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him:
in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.
23 Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: *and* not that
he should return from his ways, and live?
24 ¶ But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth
iniquity, *and* doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked *man* doeth, shall he

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* **18:5** that...: Heb. judgment and justice † **18:10** robber: or, breaker up of an house ‡ **18:10** that doeth...: or, that doeth to his brother besides any of these § **18:13** blood: Heb. bloods ** **18:16** hath not...: Heb. hath not pledged the pledge, or, taken to pledge

live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that
he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.
25 ¶ Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my
way equal? are not your ways unequal?
26 When a righteous *man* turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity,
and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.
27 Again, when the wicked *man* turneth away from his wickedness that he hath commit-
ted, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.
28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath
committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.
29 Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not
my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?
30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the
Lord GOD. Repent, and turn *yourselves* from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not
be your ruin.[††]
31 ¶ Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and
make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?
32 For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore
turn *yourselves*, and live ye.[‡‡]

19

1 Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel,
2 And say, What *is* thy mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions, she nourished her
whelps among young lions.
3 And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion, and it learned to catch
the prey; it devoured men.
4 The nations also heard of him; he was taken in their pit, and they brought him with
chains unto the land of Egypt.
5 Now when she saw that she had waited, *and* her hope was lost, then she took another
of her whelps, *and* made him a young lion.
6 And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion, and learned to
catch the prey, *and* devoured men.
7 And he knew their desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities; and the land was
desolate, and the fulness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.[*][†]
8 Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces, and spread their net
over him: he was taken in their pit.
9 And they put him in ward in chains, and brought him to the king of Babylon: they
brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of
Israel.[‡]
10 ¶ Thy mother *is* like a vine in thy blood, planted by the waters: she was fruitful and
full of branches by reason of many waters.[§]
11 And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule, and her stature was
exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of
her branches.
12 But she was plucked up in fury, she was cast down to the ground, and the east wind
dried up her fruit: her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.
13 And now she *is* planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.
14 And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, *which* hath devoured her fruit, so that
she hath no strong rod *to be* a sceptre to rule. This *is* a lamentation, and shall be for a
lamentation.

20

1 And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth *month*, the tenth *day* of the month,
that certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of the LORD, and sat before me.
2 Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,
3 Son of man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD;
Are ye come to enquire of me? *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by
you.

[††] **18:30** yourselves: or, others [‡‡] **18:32** yourselves: or, others [*] **19:7** their desolate...: or, their widows [†] **19:7** the fulness...: or, all it containeth [‡] **19:9** in chains: or, in hooks [§] **19:10** in...: or, in thy quietness, or, in thy likeness

4 Wilt thou judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge *them*? cause them to know the
abominations of their fathers:*
5 ¶ And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when I chose Israel, and lifted
up mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob, and made myself known unto them in
the land of Egypt, when I lifted up mine hand unto them, saying, I *am* the LORD your God;†
6 In the day *that* I lifted up mine hand unto them, to bring them forth of the land of Egypt
into a land that I had espied for them, flowing with milk and honey, which *is* the glory of
all lands:
7 Then said I unto them, Cast ye away every man the abominations of his eyes, and defile
not yourselves with the idols of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.
8 But they rebelled against me, and would not hearken unto me: they did not every man
cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt: then I
said, I will pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the midst
of the land of Egypt.
9 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen,
among whom they *were*, in whose sight I made myself known unto them, in bringing them
forth out of the land of Egypt.
10 ¶ Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into
the wilderness.
11 And I gave them my statutes, and shewed them my judgments, which *if* a man do, he
shall even live in them.‡
12 Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they
might know that I *am* the LORD that sanctify them.
13 But the house of Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in my
statutes, and they despised my judgments, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them;
and my sabbaths they greatly polluted: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them in
the wilderness, to consume them.
14 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in
whose sight I brought them out.
15 Yet also I lifted up my hand unto them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them
into the land which I had given *them*, flowing with milk and honey, which *is* the glory of all
lands;
16 Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my
sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.
17 Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither did I make an end
of them in the wilderness.
18 But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your
fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:
19 I *am* the LORD your God; walk in my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;
20 And hallow my sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may
know that I *am* the LORD your God.
21 Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me: they walked not in my statutes,
neither kept my judgments to do them, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them; they
polluted my sabbaths: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my
anger against them in the wilderness.
22 Nevertheless I withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should
not be polluted in the sight of the heathen, in whose sight I brought them forth.
23 I lifted up mine hand unto them also in the wilderness, that I would scatter them
among the heathen, and disperse them through the countries;
24 Because they had not executed my judgments, but had despised my statutes, and had
polluted my sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers' idols.
25 Wherefore I gave them also statutes *that were* not good, and judgments whereby they
should not live;
26 And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through *the fire* all
that openeth the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know
that I *am* the LORD.
27 ¶ Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith
the Lord GOD; Yet in this your fathers have blasphemed me, in that they have committed
a trespass against me.§

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* **20:4** Wilt...: or, Wilt thou plead for them † **20:5** lifted...: or, sware ‡ **20:11** shewed...: Heb. made them to know
§ **20:27** committed...: Heb. trespassed a trespass

28 *For* when I had brought them into the land, *for* the which I lifted up mine hand to give
it to them, then they saw every high hill, and all the thick trees, and they offered there their
sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering: there also they made
their sweet savour, and poured out there their drink offerings.
29 Then I said unto them, What *is* the high place whereunto ye go? And the name thereof
is called Bamah unto this day.**
30 Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye polluted after
the manner of your fathers? and commit ye whoredom after their abominations?
31 For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the fire, ye
pollute yourselves with all your idols, even unto this day: and shall I be enquired of by
you, O house of Israel? *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.
32 And that which cometh into your mind shall not be at all, that ye say, We will be as the
heathen, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone.
33 ¶ *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out
arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you:
34 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries
wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury
poured out.
35 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you
face to face.
36 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead
with you, saith the Lord GOD.
37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the
covenant:††
38 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me:
I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into
the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
39 As for you, O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; Go ye, serve ye every one his
idols, and hereafter *also*, if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ye my holy name no
more with your gifts, and with your idols.
40 For in mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD,
there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me: there will I accept them,
and there will I require your offerings, and the firstfruits of your oblations, with all your
holy things.‡‡
41 I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and
gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in
you before the heathen.§§
42 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel,
into the country *for* the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.
43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been
defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have
committed.
44 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have wrought with you for my name's
sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house
of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.
45 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
46 Son of man, set thy face toward the south, and drop *thy word* toward the south, and
prophesy against the forest of the south field;
47 And say to the forest of the south, Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD;
Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every
dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north
shall be burned therein.
48 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.
49 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! they say of me, Doth he not speak parables?

21

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop *thy word* toward the holy places,
and prophesy against the land of Israel,

** **20:29** I said...: or, I told them what the high place was, or, Bamah †† **20:37** bond: or, delivering ‡‡ **20:40** firstfruits: or, chief §§ **20:41** sweet...: Heb. savour of rest

3 And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I *am* against thee, and will
draw forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the
wicked.
4 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked, therefore shall
my sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:
5 That all flesh may know that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath:
it shall not return any more.
6 Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of *thy* loins; and with bitterness sigh
before their eyes.
7 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt
answer, For the tidings; because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, and all hands shall
be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak *as* water: behold, it
cometh, and shall be brought to pass, saith the Lord GOD.*
8 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
9 Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, A sword, a sword is sharpened,
and also furbished:
10 It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we
then make mirth? it contemneth the rod of my son, *as* every tree.†
11 And he hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened,
and it is furbished, to give it into the hand of the slayer.
12 Cry and howl, son of man: for it shall be upon my people, it *shall be* upon all the princes
of Israel: terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon my people: smite therefore upon *thy*
thigh.‡
13 Because *it is* a trial, and what if *the sword* contemn even the rod? it shall be no *more*,
saith the Lord GOD.§
14 Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, and smite *thine* hands together, and let the
sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the slain: it *is* the sword of the great *men
that are* slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.**
15 I have set the point of the sword against all their gates, that *their* heart may faint, and
their ruins be multiplied: ah! *it is* made bright, *it is* wrapped up for the slaughter.††‡‡
16 Go thee one way or other, *either* on the right hand, *or* on the left, whithersoever thy
face *is* set.§§
17 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD have
said *it*.
18 ¶ The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,
19 Also, thou son of man, appoint thee two ways, that the sword of the king of Babylon
may come: both twain shall come forth out of one land: and choose thou a place, choose *it*
at the head of the way to the city.
20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the Ammonites, and to Judah
in Jerusalem the defenced.
21 For the king of Babylon stood at the parting of the way, at the head of the two ways,
to use divination: he made *his* arrows bright, he consulted with images, he looked in the
liver.***†††‡‡‡
22 At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem, to appoint captains, to open the
mouth in the slaughter, to lift up the voice with shouting, to appoint *battering* rams against
the gates, to cast a mount, *and* to build a fort.§§§
23 And it shall be unto them as a false divination in their sight, to them that have sworn
oaths: but he will call to remembrance the iniquity, that they may be taken.*
24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have made your iniquity to be
remembered, in that your transgressions are discovered, so that in all your doings your
sins do appear; because, *I say*, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shall be taken with the
hand.

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* **21:7** shall be weak...: Heb. shall go into water † **21:10** it contemneth...: or, it is the rod of my son, it despiseth every tree ‡ **21:12** terrors...: or, they are thrust down to the sword with my people § **21:13** Because...: or, When the trial hath been, what then? shall they not also belong to the despising rod? ** **21:14** hands...: Heb. hand to hand †† **21:15** point: or, glittering, or, fear ‡‡ **21:15** wrapped up: or, sharpened §§ **21:16** or on...: Heb. set thyself, take the left hand *** **21:21** parting of: Heb. mother of ††† **21:21** arrows: or, knives ‡‡‡ **21:21** images: Heb. teraphim §§§ **21:22** captains: or, battering rams: Heb. rams * **21:23** to them...: or, for the oaths made unto them

25 ¶ And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity *shall*
have an end,
26 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this *shall* not *be*
the same: exalt *him that is* low, and abase *him that is* high.
27 I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no *more*, until he come whose
right it is; and I will give it *him*.†
28 ¶ And thou, son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning the
Ammonites, and concerning their reproach; even say thou, The sword, the sword *is* drawn:
for the slaughter *it is* furbished, to consume because of the glittering:
29 Whiles they see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie unto thee, to bring thee upon
the necks of *them that are* slain, of the wicked, whose day is come, when their iniquity *shall*
have an end.
30 Shall I cause *it* to return into his sheath? I will judge thee in the place where thou wast
created, in the land of thy nativity.‡
31 And I will pour out mine indignation upon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of
my wrath, and deliver thee into the hand of brutish men, *and* skilful to destroy.§
32 Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire; thy blood shall be in the midst of the land; thou shalt
be no *more* remembered: for I the LORD have spoken *it*.

22

1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Now, thou son of man, wilt thou judge, wilt thou judge the bloody city? yea, thou shalt
shew her all her abominations.*†‡
3 Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD, The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that
her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself.
4 Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine
idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come *even*
unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to
all countries.
5 *Those that be* near, and *those that be* far from thee, shall mock thee, *which art* infamous
and much vexed.§
6 Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their power to shed blood.**
7 In thee have they set light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they dealt by
oppression with the stranger: in thee have they vexed the fatherless and the widow.††
8 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.
9 In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains:
in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.‡‡
10 In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her
that was set apart for pollution.
11 And one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and another hath
lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's
daughter.§§***†††
12 In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and
thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the
Lord GOD.
13 ¶ Behold, therefore I have smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast
made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.
14 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with
thee? I the LORD have spoken *it*, and will do *it*.
15 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries, and will
consume thy filthiness out of thee.
16 And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen, and thou
shalt know that I *am* the LORD.‡‡‡
17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

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† **21:27** I will overturn...: Heb. Perverted, perverted, perverted, will I make it ‡ **21:30** Shall...: or, Cause it to return § **21:31** brutish: or, burning * **22:2** judge: or, plead for † **22:2** bloody...: Heb. city of bloods? ‡ **22:2** shew her: Heb. make her know § **22:5** infamous...: Heb. polluted of name, much in vexation ** **22:6** power: Heb. arm †† **22:7** oppression: or, deceit ‡‡ **22:9** that...: Heb. of slanders §§ **22:11** one: or, every one *** **22:11** another: or, every one ††† **22:11** lewdly: or, by lewdness ‡‡‡ **22:16** shalt take...: or, shalt be profaned

18 Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they *are* brass, and tin, and
iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are *even* the dross of silver.§§§
19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore
I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.
20 *As* they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the
furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt *it;* so will I gather *you* in mine anger and in my
fury, and I will leave *you there*, and melt you.*
21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted
in the midst thereof.
22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof;
and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.
23 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
24 Son of man, say unto her, Thou *art* the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the
day of indignation.
25 *There is* a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening
the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they
have made her many widows in the midst thereof.
26 Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put
no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between
the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned
among them.†
27 Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and*
to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.
28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered *morter*, seeing vanity, and
divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.
29 The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed
the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.‡§
30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the
gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.
31 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with
the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord
GOD.

23

1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother:
3 And they committed whoredoms in Egypt; they committed whoredoms in their youth:
there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.
4 And the names of them *were* Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and they were
mine, and they bare sons and daughters. Thus *were* their names; Samaria *is* Aholah, and
Jerusalem Aholibah.*†
5 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the
Assyrians *her* neighbours,
6 *Which were* clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men,
horsemen riding upon horses.
7 Thus she committed her whoredoms with them, with all them *that were* the chosen men
of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself.‡§
8 Neither left she her whoredoms *brought* from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her,
and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.
9 Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the
Assyrians, upon whom she doted.
10 These discovered her nakedness: they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her
with the sword: and she became famous among women; for they had executed judgment
upon her.**

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§§§ **22:18** dross of silver: Heb. drosses, etc * **22:20** As...: Heb. According to the gathering † **22:26** violated: Heb. offered violence to ‡ **22:29** oppression: or, deceit § **22:29** wrongfully: Heb. without right * **23:4** Aholah: that is, His tent, or, tabernacle † **23:4** Aholibah: that is, My tabernacle in her ‡ **23:7** committed...: Heb. bestowed her whoredoms upon them § **23:7** the chosen...: Heb. the choice of the children of Asshur ** **23:10** famous: Heb. a name

11 And when her sister Aholibah saw *this*, she was more corrupt in her inordinate love
than she, and in her whoredoms more than her sister in *her* whoredoms.††‡‡
12 She doted upon the Assyrians *her* neighbours, captains and rulers clothed most
gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable young men.
13 Then I saw that she was defiled, *that* they *took* both one way,
14 And *that* she increased her whoredoms: for when she saw men pourtrayed upon the
wall, the images of the Chaldeans pourtrayed with vermilion,
15 Girded with girdles upon their loins, exceeding in dyed attire upon their heads, all of
them princes to look to, after the manner of the Babylonians of Chaldea, the land of their
nativity:
16 And as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doted upon them, and sent messengers
unto them into Chaldea.§§
17 And the Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their
whoredom, and she was polluted with them, and her mind was alienated from them.***†††
18 So she discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: then my mind was
alienated from her, like as my mind was alienated from her sister.
19 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth,
wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.
20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh *is as* the flesh of asses, and whose
issue *is like* the issue of horses.
21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by
the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.
22 ¶ Therefore, O Aholibah, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will raise up thy lovers
against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on every
side;
23 The Babylonians, and all the Chaldeans, Pekod, and Shoa, and Koa, *and* all the
Assyrians with them: all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords
and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.
24 And they shall come against thee with chariots, wagons, and wheels, and with an
assembly of people, *which* shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round
about: and I will set judgment before them, and they shall judge thee according to their
judgments.
25 And I will set my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee: they
shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall
take thy sons and thy daughters; and thy residue shall be devoured by the fire.
26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy fair jewels.‡‡‡
27 Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom *brought* from the
land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any
more.
28 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand *of them* whom
thou hatest, into the hand *of them* from whom thy mind is alienated:
29 And they shall deal with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall
leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both
thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.
30 I will do these *things* unto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen,
and because thou art polluted with their idols.
31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her cup into thine hand.
32 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large: thou shalt
be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it containeth much.
33 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment and
desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.
34 Thou shalt even drink it and suck *it* out, and thou shalt break the sherds thereof, and
pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.
35 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast forgotten me, and cast me
behind thy back, therefore bear thou also thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.
36 ¶ The LORD said moreover unto me; Son of man, wilt thou judge Aholah and Aholibah?
yea, declare unto them their abominations;§§§

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†† **23:11** she was...: Heb. she corrupted her inordinate love more than, etc ‡‡ **23:11** more than...: Heb. more than the whoredoms of her sister §§ **23:16** as soon...: Heb. at the sight of her eyes *** **23:17** Babylonians: Heb. children of Babel ††† **23:17** alienated: Heb. loosed, or, disjointed ‡‡‡ **23:26** fair...: Heb. instruments of thy decking §§§ **23:36** judge: or, plead for

37 That they have committed adultery, and blood *is* in their hands, and with their idols
have they committed adultery, and have also caused their sons, whom they bare unto me,
to pass for them through *the fire*, to devour *them*.
38 Moreover this they have done unto me: they have defiled my sanctuary in the same
day, and have profaned my sabbaths.
39 For when they had slain their children to their idols, then they came the same day into
my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, thus have they done in the midst of mine house.
40 And furthermore, that ye have sent for men to come from far, unto whom a messenger
was sent; and, lo, they came: for whom thou didst wash thyself, paintedst thy eyes, and
deckedst thyself with ornaments,*
41 And satest upon a stately bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set
mine incense and mine oil.†
42 And a voice of a multitude being at ease *was* with her: and with the men of the common
sort *were* brought Sabeans from the wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and
beautiful crowns upon their heads.‡§
43 Then said I unto *her that was* old in adulteries, Will they now commit whoredoms with
her, and she *with them*?**
44 Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went
they in unto Aholah and unto Aholibah, the lewd women.
45 ¶ And the righteous men, they shall judge them after the manner of adulteresses, and
after the manner of women that shed blood; because they *are* adulteresses, and blood *is* in
their hands.
46 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will bring up a company upon them, and will give them
to be removed and spoiled.††
47 And the company shall stone them with stones, and dispatch them with their swords;
they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire.‡‡
48 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not
to do after your lewdness.
49 And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and ye shall bear the sins of your
idols: and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

24

1 Again in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, the word of
the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, write thee the name of the day, *even* of this same day: the king of Babylon
set himself against Jerusalem this same day.
3 And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord
GOD; Set on a pot, set *it* on, and also pour water into it:
4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, *even* every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill
it with the choice bones.
5 Take the choice of the flock, and burn also the bones under it, *and* make it boil well, and
let them seethe the bones of it therein.*
6 ¶ Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum *is*
therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon
it.
7 For her blood is in the midst of her; she set it upon the top of a rock; she poured it not
upon the ground, to cover it with dust;
8 That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance; I have set her blood upon the
top of a rock, that it should not be covered.
9 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city! I will even make the pile for
fire great.
10 Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and spice it well, and let the bones
be burned.
11 Then set it empty upon the coals thereof, that the brass of it may be hot, and may burn,
and *that* the filthiness of it may be molten in it, *that* the scum of it may be consumed.
12 She hath wearied *herself* with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her
scum *shall be* in the fire.

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* **23:40** to come: Heb. coming † **23:41** stately: Heb. honourable ‡ **23:42** of the...: Heb. of the multitude of men
§ **23:42** Sabeans: or, drunkards ** **23:43** whoredoms...: Heb. her whoredoms †† **23:46** to be...: Heb. for a removing
and spoil ‡‡ **23:47** dispatch...: or, single them out * **24:5** burn: or, heap

13 In thy filthiness *is* lewdness: because I have purged thee, and thou wast not purged,
thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more, till I have caused my fury to rest
upon thee.
14 I the LORD have spoken *it:* it shall come to pass, and I will do *it;* I will not go back,
neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy
doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.
15 ¶ Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
16 Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet
neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears run down.†
17 Forbear to cry, make no mourning for the dead, bind the tire of thine head upon thee,
and put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and cover not *thy* lips, and eat not the bread of men.‡§
18 So I spake unto the people in the morning: and at even my wife died; and I did in the
morning as I was commanded.
19 ¶ And the people said unto me, Wilt thou not tell us what these *things are* to us, that
thou doest *so*?
20 Then I answered them, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
21 Speak unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will profane my
sanctuary, the excellency of your strength, the desire of your eyes, and that which your
soul pitieth; and your sons and your daughters whom ye have left shall fall by the sword.**
22 And ye shall do as I have done: ye shall not cover *your* lips, nor eat the bread of men.
23 And your tires *shall be* upon your heads, and your shoes upon your feet: ye shall
not mourn nor weep; but ye shall pine away for your iniquities, and mourn one toward
another.
24 Thus Ezekiel is unto you a sign: according to all that he hath done shall ye do: and
when this cometh, ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.
25 Also, thou son of man, *shall it* not *be* in the day when I take from them their strength,
the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes, and that whereupon they set their minds,
their sons and their daughters,††
26 *That* he that escapeth in that day shall come unto thee, to cause *thee* to hear *it* with
thine ears?
27 In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speak,
and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be a sign unto them; and they shall know that I *am*
the LORD.

25

1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;
3 And say unto the Ammonites, Hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD;
Because thou saidst, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the
land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into
captivity;
4 Behold, therefore I will deliver thee to the men of the east for a possession, and they
shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eat thy fruit,
and they shall drink thy milk.*
5 And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couchingplace for
flocks: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
6 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast clapped *thine* hands, and stamped with
the feet, and rejoiced in heart with all thy despite against the land of Israel;†‡§
7 Behold, therefore I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for a
spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish
out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.**
8 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Moab and Seir do say, Behold, the house of
Judah *is* like unto all the heathen;
9 Therefore, behold, I will open the side of Moab from the cities, from his cities *which are*
on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Beth-jeshimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim,††

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† **24:16** run down: Heb. go ‡ **24:17** Forbear: Heb. Be silent § **24:17** lips: Heb. upper lip ** **24:21** that...: Heb. the pity of your soul †† **24:25** that...: Heb. the lifting up of their soul * **25:4** men: Heb. children † **25:6** hands: Heb. hand ‡ **25:6** feet: Heb. foot § **25:6** heart: Heb. soul ** **25:7** a spoil: or, meat †† **25:9** side...: Heb. shoulder of Moab

10 Unto the men of the east with the Ammonites, and will give them in possession, that
the Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations.‡‡
11 And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.
12 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Judah
by taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;§§
13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also stretch out mine hand upon Edom, and
will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from Teman; and they of
Dedan shall fall by the sword.***
14 And I will lay my vengeance upon Edom by the hand of my people Israel: and they
shall do in Edom according to mine anger and according to my fury; and they shall know
my vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.
15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the Philistines have dealt by revenge, and have
taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy *it* for the old hatred;†††
16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will stretch out mine hand upon the
Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethims, and destroy the remnant of the sea coast.‡‡‡
17 And I will execute great vengeance upon them with furious rebukes; and they shall
know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.§§§

26

1 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first *day* of the month, *that* the word of
the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, because that Tyrus hath said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is broken *that was*
the gates of the people: she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, *now* she is laid waste:
3 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause
many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.
4 And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and break down her towers: I will also scrape
her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.
5 It shall be *a place for* the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea: for I have spoken *it*,
saith the Lord GOD: and it shall become a spoil to the nations.
6 And her daughters which *are* in the field shall be slain by the sword; and they shall
know that I *am* the LORD.
7 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king
of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with
horsemen, and companies, and much people.
8 He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field: and he shall make a fort against
thee, and cast a mount against thee, and lift up the buckler against thee.*
9 And he shall set engines of war against thy walls, and with his axes he shall break down
thy towers.
10 By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall
shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, when he shall
enter into thy gates, as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.†
11 With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets: he shall slay thy people
by the sword, and thy strong garrisons shall go down to the ground.
12 And they shall make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and
they shall break down thy walls, and destroy thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy
stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.‡
13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no
more heard.
14 And I will make thee like the top of a rock: thou shalt be *a place* to spread nets upon;
thou shalt be built no more: for I the LORD have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.
15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD to Tyrus; Shall not the isles shake at the sound of thy fall,
when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?
16 Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their
robes, and put off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselves with trembling;

‡‡ **25:10** with...: or, against the children of Ammon §§ **25:12** by...: Heb. by revenging revengement *** **25:13** they...: or, they shall fall by the sword unto Dedan ††† **25:15** for the...: or, with perpetual hatred ‡‡‡ **25:16** sea coast: or, haven of the sea §§§ **25:17** great vengeance: Heb. great vengeances * **26:8** cast...: or, pour out the engine of shot † **26:10** as men...: Heb. according to the enterings of a city broken up ‡ **26:12** thy pleasant...: Heb. houses of thy desire

they shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble at *every* moment, and be astonished at
thee.§
17 And they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and say to thee, How art thou destroyed,
that wast inhabited of seafaring men, the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea, she
and her inhabitants, which cause their terror *to be* on all that haunt it!**
18 Now shall the isles tremble in the day of thy fall; yea, the isles that *are* in the sea shall
be troubled at thy departure.
19 For thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that
are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover
thee;
20 When I shall bring thee down with them that descend into the pit, with the people of
old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them
that go down to the pit, that thou be not inhabited; and I shall set glory in the land of the
living;
21 I will make thee a terror, and thou *shalt be* no *more:* though thou be sought for, yet shalt
thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.††

27

1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
2 Now, thou son of man, take up a lamentation for Tyrus;
3 And say unto Tyrus, O thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, *which art* a merchant
of the people for many isles, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O Tyrus, thou hast said, I *am* of
perfect beauty.*
4 Thy borders *are* in the midst of the seas, thy builders have perfected thy beauty.†
5 They have made all thy *ship* boards of fir trees of Senir: they have taken cedars from
Lebanon to make masts for thee.‡
6 *Of* the oaks of Bashan have they made thine oars; the company of the Ashurites have
made thy benches *of* ivory, *brought* out of the isles of Chittim.§**
7 Fine linen with broidered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be
thy sail; blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was that which covered thee.††
8 The inhabitants of Zidon and Arvad were thy mariners: thy wise *men*, O Tyrus, *that*
were in thee, were thy pilots.
9 The ancients of Gebal and the wise *men* thereof were in thee thy calkers: all the ships
of the sea with their mariners were in thee to occupy thy merchandise.‡‡
10 They of Persia and of Lud and of Phut were in thine army, thy men of war: they hanged
the shield and helmet in thee; they set forth thy comeliness.
11 The men of Arvad with thine army *were* upon thy walls round about, and the
Gammadims were in thy towers: they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about;
they have made thy beauty perfect.
12 Tarshish *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all *kind of* riches; with silver,
iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy fairs.
13 Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they *were* thy merchants: they traded the persons of men
and vessels of brass in thy market.§§
14 They of the house of Togarmah traded in thy fairs with horses and horsemen and
mules.
15 The men of Dedan *were* thy merchants; many isles *were* the merchandise of thine
hand: they brought thee *for* a present horns of ivory and ebony.
16 Syria *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of the wares of thy making: they
occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and broidered work, and fine linen, and coral,
and agate.***†††
17 Judah, and the land of Israel, they *were* thy merchants: they traded in thy market
wheat of Minnith, and Pannag, and honey, and oil, and balm.‡‡‡
18 Damascus *was* thy merchant in the multitude of the wares of thy making, for the
multitude of all riches; in the wine of Helbon, and white wool.

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§ **26:16** trembling: Heb. tremblings ** **26:17** of...: Heb. of the seas †† **26:21** a terror: Heb. terrors * **27:3** of perfect...: Heb. perfect of beauty † **27:4** midst: Heb. heart ‡ **27:5** made: Heb. built § **27:6** the company...: or, they have made thy hatches of ivory well trodden ** **27:6** company: Heb. daughter †† **27:7** blue...: or, purple and scarlet ‡‡ **27:9** calkers: or, stoppers of chinks: Heb. strengtheners, etc §§ **27:13** market: or, merchandise *** **27:16** the wares...: Heb. thy works ††† **27:16** agate: or, chrysoprase ‡‡‡ **27:17** balm: or, rosin

19 Dan also and Javan going to and fro occupied in thy fairs: bright iron, cassia, and
calamus, were in thy market.§§§
20 Dedan *was* thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots.*
21 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and
goats: in these *were they* thy merchants.†
22 The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they *were* thy merchants: they occupied in thy
fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold.
23 Haran, and Canneh, and Eden, the merchants of Sheba, Asshur, *and* Chilmad, *were* thy
merchants.
24 These *were* thy merchants in all sorts *of things*, in blue clothes, and broidered
work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar, among thy
merchandise.‡§
25 The ships of Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market: and thou wast replenished, and
made very glorious in the midst of the seas.
26 ¶ Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: the east wind hath broken thee in
the midst of the seas.**
27 Thy riches, and thy fairs, thy merchandise, thy mariners, and thy pilots, thy calkers,
and the occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy men of war, that *are* in thee, and in all
thy company which *is* in the midst of thee, shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of
thy ruin.††‡‡
28 The suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.§§
29 And all that handle the oar, the mariners, *and* all the pilots of the sea, shall come down
from their ships, they shall stand upon the land;
30 And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall
cast up dust upon their heads, they shall wallow themselves in the ashes:
31 And they shall make themselves utterly bald for thee, and gird them with sackcloth,
and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of heart *and* bitter wailing.
32 And in their wailing they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and lament over thee,
saying, What *city is* like Tyrus, like the destroyed in the midst of the sea?
33 When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people; thou didst enrich
the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.
34 In the time *when* thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy
merchandise and all thy company in the midst of thee shall fall.
35 All the inhabitants of the isles shall be astonished at thee, and their kings shall be sore
afraid, they shall be troubled in *their* countenance.
36 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt be a terror, and never
shalt be any more.***†††

28

1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart
is lifted up, and thou hast said, I *am* a God, I sit *in* the seat of God, in the midst of the seas;
yet thou *art* a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:*
3 Behold, thou *art* wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:
4 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast
gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:
5 By thy great wisdom *and* by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart
is lifted up because of thy riches:†
6 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of
God;
7 Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and
they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy
brightness.

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§§§ **27:19** going...: or, Meuzal * **27:20** precious...: Heb. clothes of freedom † **27:21** they occupied...: Heb. they were the merchants of thy hand ‡ **27:24** all...: or, excellent things § **27:24** clothes: Heb. foldings ** **27:26** midst: Heb. heart †† **27:27** and in...: or, even with all ‡‡ **27:27** midst of the seas: Heb. heart, etc §§ **27:28** suburbs: or, waves *** **27:36** a terror: Heb. terrors ††† **27:36** never...: Heb. shalt not be for ever * **28:2** midst: Heb. heart † **28:5** thy great...: Heb. the greatness of thy wisdom

8 They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of *them that are* slain
in the midst of the seas.
9 Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I *am* God? but thou *shalt be* a man, and
no God, in the hand of him that slayeth thee.‡
10 Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have
spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.
11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
12 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith
the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.
13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone *was* thy covering,
the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the
emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was
prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.§**††
14 Thou *art* the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee *so:* thou wast upon the
holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.
15 Thou *wast* perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was
found in thee.
16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence,
and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and
I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.
17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by
reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that
they may behold thee.
18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity
of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee,
and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.
19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a
terror, and never *shalt* thou *be* any more.‡‡
20 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
21 Son of man, set thy face against Zidon, and prophesy against it,
22 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Zidon; and I will be
glorified in the midst of thee: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall have
executed judgments in her, and shall be sanctified in her.
23 For I will send into her pestilence, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall
be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side; and they shall know
that I *am* the LORD.
24 ¶ And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor *any* grieving
thorn of all *that are* round about them, that despised them; and they shall know that I *am*
the Lord GOD.
25 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the
people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the
heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob.
26 And they shall dwell safely therein, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea,
they shall dwell with confidence, when I have executed judgments upon all those that
despise them round about them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God.§§***

29

1 In the tenth year, in the tenth *month*, in the twelfth *day* of the month, the word of the
LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and
against all Egypt:
3 Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, Pharaoh king of
Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river *is*
mine own, and I have made *it* for myself.
4 But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy
scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers
shall stick unto thy scales.

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‡ **28:9** of him that slayeth: or, of him that woundeth § **28:13** sardius: or, ruby ** **28:13** beryl: or, chrysolite
†† **28:13** emerald: or, chrysoprase ‡‡ **28:19** a terror: Heb. terrors §§ **28:26** safely: or, with confidence
*** **28:26** despise: or, spoil

5 And I will leave thee *thrown* into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou
shalt fall upon the open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have
given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven.*
6 And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I *am* the LORD, because they have been
a staff of reed to the house of Israel.
7 When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder:
and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand.
8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off
man and beast out of thee.
9 And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they shall know that I *am* the
LORD: because he hath said, The river *is* mine, and I have made *it*.
10 Behold, therefore I *am* against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land
of Egypt utterly waste *and* desolate, from the tower of Syene even unto the border of
Ethiopia.†‡§
11 No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither
shall it be inhabited forty years.
12 And I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries *that are*
desolate, and her cities among the cities *that are* laid waste shall be desolate forty years:
and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the
countries.
13 ¶ Yet thus saith the Lord GOD; At the end of forty years will I gather the Egyptians from
the people whither they were scattered:
14 And I will bring again the captivity of Egypt, and will cause them to return *into* the land
of Pathros, into the land of their habitation; and they shall be there a base kingdom.**††
15 It shall be the basest of the kingdoms; neither shall it exalt itself any more above the
nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations.
16 And it shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, which bringeth *their*
iniquity to remembrance, when they shall look after them: but they shall know that I *am*
the Lord GOD.
17 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first *month*, in the first *day*
of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
18 Son of man, Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service
against Tyrus: every head *was* made bald, and every shoulder *was* peeled: yet had he no
wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it:
19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will give the land of Egypt unto
Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall take her multitude, and take her spoil, and
take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army.‡‡
20 I have given him the land of Egypt *for* his labour wherewith he served against it,
because they wrought for me, saith the Lord GOD.§§
21 ¶ In that day will I cause the horn of the house of Israel to bud forth, and I will give thee
the opening of the mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

30

1 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Howl ye, Woe worth the day!
3 For the day *is* near, even the day of the LORD *is* near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time
of the heathen.
4 And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the
slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall
be broken down.*
5 Ethiopia, and Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the men of
the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword.†‡
6 Thus saith the LORD; They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power
shall come down: from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord
GOD.§

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* **29:5** open...: Heb. face of the field † **29:10** utterly...: Heb. wastes of waste ‡ **29:10** from...: or, from Migdol to Syene § **29:10** Syene: Heb. Seveneh ** **29:14** habitation: or, birth †† **29:14** base: Heb. low ‡‡ **29:19** take her spoil...: Heb. spoil her spoil, and prey her prey §§ **29:20** for his...: or, for his hire * **30:4** pain: or, fear † **30:5** Libya: Heb. Phut ‡ **30:5** men: Heb. children § **30:6** from...: or, from Migdol to Syene

7 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities
shall be in the midst of the cities *that are* wasted.
8 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and *when* all
her helpers shall be destroyed.**
9 In that day shall messengers go forth from me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians
afraid, and great pain shall come upon them, as in the day of Egypt: for, lo, it cometh.
10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand
of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.
11 He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, shall be brought to destroy the
land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.
12 And I will make the rivers dry, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and I
will make the land waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have
spoken *it*.††‡‡
13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also destroy the idols, and I will cause *their* images to
cease out of Noph; and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt: and I will put
a fear in the land of Egypt.
14 And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set fire in Zoan, and will execute judgments
in No.§§
15 And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude
of No.***
16 And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No shall be rent asunder, and
Noph *shall have* distresses daily.
17 The young men of Aven and of Pi-beseth shall fall by the sword: and these *cities* shall
go into captivity.†††‡‡‡
18 At Tehaphnehes also the day shall be darkened, when I shall break there the yokes of
Egypt: and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her,
and her daughters shall go into captivity.§§§
19 Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.
20 ¶ And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first *month*, in the seventh *day* of the
month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
21 Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it shall not be
bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.
22 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and
will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to
fall out of his hand.
23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the
countries.
24 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put my sword in his hand:
but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a
deadly wounded *man*.
25 But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall
down; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall put my sword into the hand of
the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.
26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the
countries; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

31

1 And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third *month*, in the first *day* of the month,
that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Whom art thou
like in thy greatness?
3 ¶ Behold, the Assyrian *was* a cedar in Lebanon with fair branches, and with a
shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.*
4 The waters made him great, the deep set him up on high with her rivers running round
about his plants, and sent out her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.†‡§

** **30:8** destroyed: Heb. broken †† **30:12** dry: Heb. drought ‡‡ **30:12** all...: Heb. the fulness thereof §§ **30:14** Zoan: or, Tanis *** **30:15** Sin: or, Pelusium ††† **30:17** Aven: or, Heliopolis ‡‡‡ **30:17** Pi-beseth: or, Pubastum §§§ **30:18** darkened: or, restrained * **31:3** with fair branches: Heb. fair of branches † **31:4** made...: or, nourished him ‡ **31:4** set...: or, brought him up § **31:4** little rivers: or, conduits

5 Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were
multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he
shot forth.**
6 All the fowls of heaven made their nests in his boughs, and under his branches did all
the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.
7 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great
waters.
8 The cedars in the garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his
boughs, and the chesnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in the garden of
God was like unto him in his beauty.
9 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that
were in the garden of God, envied him.
10 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and
he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height;
11 I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of the heathen; he shall
surely deal with him: I have driven him out for his wickedness.††
12 And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon
the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by
all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow,
and have left him.
13 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field
shall be upon his branches:
14 To the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height,
neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees stand up in their
height, all that drink water: for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the
earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit.‡‡
15 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when he went down to the grave I caused a
mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great
waters were stayed: and I caused Lebanon to mourn for him, and all the trees of the field
fainted for him.§§
16 I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with
them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon,
all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.
17 They also went down into hell with him unto *them that be* slain with the sword; and
they that were his arm, *that* dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen.
18 ¶ To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet
shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: thou
shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with *them that be* slain by the sword. This *is*
Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

32

1 And it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, in the first *day* of the month,
that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him, Thou
art like a young lion of the nations, and thou *art* as a whale in the seas: and thou camest
forth with thy rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their rivers.*
3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will therefore spread out my net over thee with a company
of many people; and they shall bring thee up in my net.
4 Then will I leave thee upon the land, I will cast thee forth upon the open field, and will
cause all the fowls of the heaven to remain upon thee, and I will fill the beasts of the whole
earth with thee.
5 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with thy height.
6 I will also water with thy blood the land wherein thou swimmest, *even* to the mountains;
and the rivers shall be full of thee.†
7 And when I shall put thee out, I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark;
I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.‡

** **31:5** when...: or, when it sent them forth †† **31:11** he...: Heb. in doing he shall do unto him ‡‡ **31:14** their trees...: or, stand upon themselves for their height §§ **31:15** to mourn: Heb. to be black * **32:2** whale: or, dragon † **32:6** the land wherein...: or, the land of thy swimming ‡ **32:7** put...: or, extinguish thee

8 All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy
land, saith the Lord GOD.§**
9 I will also vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the
nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.††
10 Yea, I will make many people amazed at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid
for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at *every*
moment, every man for his own life, in the day of thy fall.
11 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee.
12 By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations,
all of them: and they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shall be
destroyed.
13 I will destroy also all the beasts thereof from beside the great waters; neither shall the
foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.
14 Then will I make their waters deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil, saith the Lord
GOD.
15 When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate, and the country shall be destitute of that
whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, then shall they know
that I *am* the LORD.‡‡
16 This *is* the lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations
shall lament her: they shall lament for her, *even* for Egypt, and for all her multitude, saith
the Lord GOD.
17 ¶ It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth *day* of the month, *that* the
word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
18 Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and cast them down, *even* her, and the
daughters of the famous nations, unto the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down
into the pit.
19 Whom dost thou pass in beauty? go down, and be thou laid with the uncircumcised.
20 They shall fall in the midst of *them that are* slain by the sword: she is delivered to the
sword: draw her and all her multitudes.§§
21 The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of hell with them that
help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword.
22 Asshur *is* there and all her company: his graves *are* about him: all of them slain, fallen
by the sword:
23 Whose graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave:
all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which caused terror in the land of the living.***
24 There *is* Elam and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by
the sword, which are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which
caused their terror in the land of the living; yet have they borne their shame with them
that go down to the pit.
25 They have set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her multitude: her graves *are*
round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword: though their terror was
caused in the land of the living, yet have they borne their shame with them that go down
to the pit: he is put in the midst of *them that be* slain.
26 There *is* Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her graves *are* round about him: all of
them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though they caused their terror in the land of the
living.
27 And they shall not lie with the mighty *that are* fallen of the uncircumcised, which are
gone down to hell with their weapons of war: and they have laid their swords under their
heads, but their iniquities shall be upon their bones, though *they were* the terror of the
mighty in the land of the living.†††
28 Yea, thou shalt be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised, and shalt lie with *them
that are* slain with the sword.
29 There *is* Edom, her kings, and all her princes, which with their might are laid by *them
that were* slain by the sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go
down to the pit.‡‡‡
30 There *be* the princes of the north, all of them, and all the Zidonians, which are gone
down with the slain; with their terror they are ashamed of their might; and they lie

§ **32:8** bright...: Heb. lights of the light in heaven ** **32:8** dark: Heb. them dark †† **32:9** vex: Heb. provoke to anger, or, grief ‡‡ **32:15** destitute...: Heb. desolate from the fulness thereof §§ **32:20** she...: or, the sword is laid *** **32:23** terror: or, dismaying ††† **32:27** with their...: Heb. with weapons of their war ‡‡‡ **32:29** laid: Heb. given, or, put

uncircumcised with *them that be* slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that
go down to the pit.
31 Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be comforted over all his multitude, *even* Pharaoh
and all his army slain by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.
32 For I have caused my terror in the land of the living: and he shall be laid in the midst
of the uncircumcised with *them that are* slain with the sword, *even* Pharaoh and all his
multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

33

1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, speak to the children of thy people, and say unto them, When I bring the
sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their
watchman:*
3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the
people;
4 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword
come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.†
5 He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him.
But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.
6 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be
not warned; if the sword come, and take *any* person from among them, he is taken away
in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.
7 ¶ So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore
thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me.
8 When I say unto the wicked, O wicked *man*, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak
to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood
will I require at thine hand.
9 Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from
his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.
10 Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying,
If our transgressions and our sins *be* upon us, and we pine away in them, how should we
then live?
11 Say unto them, *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the
wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil
ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?
12 Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of
the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of
the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither
shall the righteous be able to live for his *righteousness* in the day that he sinneth.
13 When I shall say to the righteous, *that* he shall surely live; if he trust to his own
righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but
for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it.
14 Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and
do that which is lawful and right;‡
15 *If* the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of
life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.
16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done
that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.
17 ¶ Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them,
their way is not equal.
18 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, he shall
even die thereby.
19 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he
shall live thereby.
20 ¶ Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you
every one after his ways.
21 ¶ And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the tenth *month*, in the fifth
day of the month, *that* one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying, The
city is smitten.

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* **33:2** When...: Heb. A land when I bring a sword upon her
† **33:4** whosoever...: Heb. he that hearing heareth
‡ **33:14** that...: Heb. judgment and justice

22 Now the hand of the LORD was upon me in the evening, afore he that was escaped
came; and had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; and my mouth was
opened, and I was no more dumb.
23 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
24 Son of man, they that inhabit those wastes of the land of Israel speak, saying, Abraham
was one, and he inherited the land: but we *are* many; the land is given us for inheritance.
25 Wherefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Ye eat with the blood, and lift up
your eyes toward your idols, and shed blood: and shall ye possess the land?
26 Ye stand upon your sword, ye work abomination, and ye defile every one his
neighbour's wife: and shall ye possess the land?
27 Say thou thus unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; *As* I live, surely they that *are* in the
wastes shall fall by the sword, and him that *is* in the open field will I give to the beasts to be
devoured, and they that *be* in the forts and in the caves shall die of the pestilence.§
28 For I will lay the land most desolate, and the pomp of her strength shall cease; and the
mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through.**
29 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD, when I have laid the land most desolate
because of all their abominations which they have committed.
30 ¶ Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the
walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother,
saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD.††
31 And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee *as* my people,
and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth they shew much
love, *but* their heart goeth after their covetousness.‡‡§§***
32 And, lo, thou *art* unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and
can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not.†††
33 And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet
hath been among them.

34

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them,
Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe *be* to the shepherds of Israel that do
feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?
3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: *but* ye feed not
the flock.
4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick,
neither have ye bound up *that which was* broken, neither have ye brought again that which
was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with
cruelty have ye ruled them.
5 And they were scattered, because *there is* no shepherd: and they became meat to all the
beasts of the field, when they were scattered.*
6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock
was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek *after them*.
7 ¶ Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;
8 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock
became meat to every beast of the field, because *there was* no shepherd, neither did my
shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;†
9 Therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;
10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against the shepherds; and I will require my
flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the
shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that
they may not be meat for them.
11 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, *even* I, will both search my sheep, and seek
them out.

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§ **33:27** to be...: Heb. to devour him ** **33:28** most...: Heb. desolation and desolation †† **33:30** against thee: of, of thee ‡‡ **33:31** as the...: Heb. according to the coming of the people §§ **33:31** they sit...: or, my people sit before thee *** **33:31** they shew...: Heb. they make loves, or, jests ††† **33:32** a very...: Heb. a song of loves * **34:5** because...: or, without a shepherd † **34:8** because...: or, without a shepherd

12 As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep *that are*
scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they
have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.‡
13 And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and
will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers,
and in all the inhabited places of the country.
14 I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their
fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and *in* a fat pasture shall they feed upon the
mountains of Israel.
15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.
16 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will
bind up *that which was* broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy
the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment.
17 And *as for* you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I judge between cattle and
cattle, between the rams and the he goats.§**
18 *Seemeth it* a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread
down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters,
but ye must foul the residue with your feet?
19 And *as for* my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink
that which ye have fouled with your feet.
20 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, *even* I, will judge between
the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.
21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with
your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;
22 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge
between cattle and cattle.
23 And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, *even* my servant
David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.
24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the
LORD have spoken *it*.
25 And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease
out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.
26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause
the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.
27 And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and
they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have broken the
bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of
them.
28 And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land
devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make *them* afraid.
29 And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed
with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.††‡‡
30 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God *am* with them, and *that* they, *even* the
house of Israel, *are* my people, saith the Lord GOD.
31 And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, *are* men, *and* I *am* your God, saith the Lord
GOD.

35

1 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it,
3 And say unto it, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O mount Seir, I *am* against thee, and
I will stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make thee most desolate.*
4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt know that I *am* the
LORD.
5 Because thou hast had a perpetual hatred, and hast shed *the blood of* the children of
Israel by the force of the sword in the time of their calamity, in the time *that their* iniquity
had an end:†‡§

‡ **34:12** As...: Heb. According to the seeking § **34:17** cattle: Heb. small cattle of lambs and kids ** **34:17** he goats: Heb. great he goats †† **34:29** of renown: or, for renown ‡‡ **34:29** consumed: Heb. taken away * **35:3** most...: Heb. desolation and desolation † **35:5** perpetual...: or, hatred of old ‡ **35:5** shed...: Heb. poured out the children § **35:5** force: Heb. hands

6 Therefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood shall
pursue thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee.
7 Thus will I make mount Seir most desolate, and cut off from it him that passeth out and
him that returneth.**
8 And I will fill his mountains with his slain *men:* in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all
thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword.
9 I will make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not return: and ye shall know
that I *am* the LORD.
10 Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and
we will possess it; whereas the LORD was there:††
11 Therefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will even do according to thine anger, and
according to thine envy which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and I will
make myself known among them, when I have judged thee.
12 And thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD, *and that* I have heard all thy blasphemies
which thou hast spoken against the mountains of Israel, saying, They are laid desolate,
they are given us to consume.‡‡
13 Thus with your mouth ye have boasted against me, and have multiplied your words
against me: I have heard *them.*§§
14 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee desolate.
15 As thou didst rejoice at the inheritance of the house of Israel, because it was desolate,
so will I do unto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O mount Seir, and all Idumea, *even* all of it:
and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

36

1 Also, thou son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say, Ye mountains of
Israel, hear the word of the LORD:
2 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the enemy hath said against you, Aha, even the
ancient high places are ours in possession:
3 Therefore prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they have made *you*
desolate, and swallowed you up on every side, that ye might be a possession unto the
residue of the heathen, and ye are taken up in the lips of talkers, and *are* an infamy of
the people:*†
4 Therefore, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord
GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate
wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which became a prey and derision to the residue
of the heathen that *are* round about;‡
5 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken
against the residue of the heathen, and against all Idumea, which have appointed my land
into their possession with the joy of all *their* heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for
a prey.
6 Prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to
the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I have spoken
in my jealousy and in my fury, because ye have borne the shame of the heathen:
7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I have lifted up mine hand, Surely the heathen that
are about you, they shall bear their shame.
8 ¶ But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit
to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come.
9 For, behold, I *am* for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown:
10 And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, *even* all of it: and the cities
shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded:
11 And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring
fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better *unto you* than at your
beginnings: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
12 Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, *even* my people Israel; and they shall possess
thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth bereave them
of men.

** **35:7** most...: Heb. desolation and desolation †† **35:10** whereas...: or, though the LORD was there ‡‡ **35:12** to consume: Heb. to devour §§ **35:13** boasted: Heb. magnified * **36:3** Because: Heb. Because for because † **36:3** are...: or, ye are made to come up on the lip of the tongue ‡ **36:4** rivers: or, bottoms, or, dales

13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they say unto you, Thou *land* devourest up men, and
hast bereaved thy nations;
14 Therefore thou shalt devour men no more, neither bereave thy nations any more, saith
the Lord GOD.§
15 Neither will I cause *men* to hear in thee the shame of the heathen any more, neither
shalt thou bear the reproach of the people any more, neither shalt thou cause thy nations
to fall any more, saith the Lord GOD.
16 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
17 Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their
own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed
woman.
18 Wherefore I poured my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land,
and for their idols *wherewith* they had polluted it:
19 And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the
countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.
20 And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy
name, when they said to them, These *are* the people of the LORD, and are gone forth out of
his land.
21 ¶ But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among
the heathen, whither they went.
22 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I do not *this* for your
sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the
heathen, whither ye went.
23 And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye
have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, saith
the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes.**
24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and
will bring you into your own land.
25 ¶ Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your
filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.
26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take
away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.
27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall
keep my judgments, and do *them*.
28 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people,
and I will be your God.
29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will
increase it, and lay no famine upon you.
30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall
receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen.
31 Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that *were* not good, and
shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.
32 Not for your sakes do I *this*, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you: be ashamed and
confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel.
33 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your
iniquities I will also cause *you* to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.
34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that
passed by.
35 And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden; and
the waste and desolate and ruined cities *are become* fenced, *and* are inhabited.
36 Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the
ruined *places, and* plant that that was desolate: I the LORD have spoken *it*, and I will do *it*.
37 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will yet *for* this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do
it for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.
38 As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities
be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.††

37

1 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and
set me down in the midst of the valley which *was* full of bones,

§ **36:14** bereave: or, cause to fall ** **36:23** their: or, your †† **36:38** holy...: Heb. flock of holy things

2 And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, *there were* very many in the
open valley; and, lo, *they were* very dry.*
3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD,
thou knowest.
4 Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones,
hear the word of the LORD.
5 Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you,
and ye shall live:
6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with
skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.
7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and
behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.
8 And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin
covered them above: but *there was* no breath in them.
9 Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the
wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon
these slain, that they may live.†
10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived,
and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.
11 ¶ Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold,
they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.
12 Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people,
I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into
the land of Israel.
13 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people,
and brought you up out of your graves,
14 And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land:
then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken *it*, and performed *it*, saith the LORD.
15 ¶ The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,
16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the
children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph,
the stick of Ephraim, and *for* all the house of Israel his companions:
17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.
18 ¶ And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not
shew us what thou *meanest* by these?
19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which
is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him,
even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.
20 ¶ And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.
21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel
from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and
bring them into their own land:
22 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one
king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be
divided into two kingdoms any more at all:
23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their de-
testable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their
dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my
people, and I will be their God.
24 And David my servant *shall be* king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd:
they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.
25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your
fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, *even* they, and their children, and their
children's children for ever: and my servant David *shall be* their prince for ever.
26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting
covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary
in the midst of them for evermore.
27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my
people.

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* **37:2** valley: or, champaign † **37:9** wind: or, breath

28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary
shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

38

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and
Tubal, and prophesy against him,*
3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of
Meshech and Tubal:
4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and
all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts *of armour, even* a
great company *with* bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:
5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:†
6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his
bands: *and* many people with thee.
7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are
assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.
8 ¶ After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the
land *that is* brought back from the sword, *and is* gathered out of many people, against
the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the
nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.
9 Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land,
thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.
10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, *that* at the same time shall things
come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought:‡
11 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that
are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars
nor gates,§
12 To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places *that
are now* inhabited, and upon the people *that are* gathered out of the nations, which have
gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land.**††
13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof,
shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take
a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?
14 ¶ Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that
day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know *it*?
15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with
thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:
16 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall
be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me,
when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.
17 Thus saith the Lord GOD; *Art* thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants
the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days *many* years that I would bring thee
against them?‡‡
18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of
Israel, saith the Lord GOD, *that* my fury shall come up in my face.
19 For in my jealousy *and* in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there
shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;
20 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and
all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that *are* upon the face of the
earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep
places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.§§
21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord
GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.
22 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him,
and upon his bands, and upon the many people that *are* with him, an overflowing rain, and
great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

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* **38:2** the chief...: or, prince of the chief † **38:5** Libya: or, Phut ‡ **38:10** think...: or, conceive a mischievous purpose § **38:11** safely: or, confidently ** **38:12** To take...: Heb. To spoil the spoil, and to prey the prey †† **38:12** midst: Heb. navel ‡‡ **38:17** by: Heb. by the hand of §§ **38:20** steep...: or, towers, or, stairs

23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of
many nations, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

39

1 Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD;
Behold, I *am* against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:
2 And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to
come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:*†
3 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of
thy right hand.
4 Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people
that *is* with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and *to* the beasts of
the field to be devoured.‡§
5 Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.**
6 And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and
they shall know that I *am* the LORD.††
7 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not *let
them* pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, the
Holy One in Israel.
8 ¶ Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this *is* the day whereof I have
spoken.
9 And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the
weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the handstaves,
and the spears, and they shall burn them with fire seven years:‡‡§§
10 So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down *any* out of the forests;
for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and
rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord GOD.
11 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will give unto Gog a place there of graves
in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the *noses* of
the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call *it*
The valley of Hamon-gog.***†††
12 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse
the land.
13 Yea, all the people of the land shall bury *them;* and it shall be to them a renown the day
that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord GOD.
14 And they shall sever out men of continual employment, passing through the land to
bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after
the end of seven months shall they search.‡‡‡
15 And the passengers *that* pass through the land, when *any* seeth a man's bone, then
shall he set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-gog.§§§
16 And also the name of the city *shall be* Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.*
17 ¶ And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and
to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side
to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, *even* a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel,
that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.†‡
18 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of
rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.§
19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice
which I have sacrificed for you.
20 Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots, with mighty men, and with
all men of war, saith the Lord GOD.
21 And I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment
that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them.

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* **39:2** leave...: or, strike thee with six plagues: or, draw thee back with an hook of six teeth † **39:2** the north...: Heb. the sides of the north ‡ **39:4** sort: Heb. wing § **39:4** to be...: Heb. to devour ** **39:5** the open...: Heb. the face of the field †† **39:6** carelessly: or, confidently ‡‡ **39:9** handstaves: or, javelins §§ **39:9** burn them...: or, make a fire of them *** **39:11** noses: or, mouths ††† **39:11** Hamon-gog: that is, The multitude of Gog ‡‡‡ **39:14** men...: Heb. men of continuance §§§ **39:15** set up: Heb. build * **39:16** Hamonah: that is, The multitude † **39:17** unto...: Heb. to the fowl of every wing ‡ **39:17** my sacrifice: or, my slaughter § **39:18** goats: Heb. great goats

22 So the house of Israel shall know that I *am* the LORD their God from that day and forward.
23 ¶ And the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.
24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.
25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name;
26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made *them* afraid.
27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations;
28 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.**
29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

40

1 In the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth *day* of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither.
2 In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me upon a very high mountain, by which *was* as the frame of a city on the south.*
3 And he brought me thither, and, behold, *there was* a man, whose appearance *was* like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate.
4 And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thine heart upon all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew *them* unto thee *art* thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.
5 And behold a wall on the outside of the house round about, and in the man's hand a measuring reed of six cubits *long* by the cubit and an hand breadth: so he measured the breadth of the building, one reed; and the height, one reed.
6 ¶ Then came he unto the gate which looketh toward the east, and went up the stairs thereof, and measured the threshold of the gate, *which was* one reed broad; and the other threshold *of the gate, which was* one reed broad.†
7 And *every* little chamber *was* one reed long, and one reed broad; and between the little chambers *were* five cubits; and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within *was* one reed.
8 He measured also the porch of the gate within, one reed.
9 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the posts thereof, two cubits; and the porch of the gate *was* inward.
10 And the little chambers of the gate eastward *were* three on this side, and three on that side; they three *were* of one measure: and the posts had one measure on this side and on that side.
11 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate, ten cubits; *and* the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.
12 The space also before the little chambers *was* one cubit *on this side*, and the space *was* one cubit on that side: and the little chambers *were* six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.‡
13 He measured then the gate from the roof of *one* little chamber to the roof of another: the breadth *was* five and twenty cubits, door against door.
14 He made also posts of threescore cubits, even unto the post of the court round about the gate.
15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of the porch of the inner gate *were* fifty cubits.

** **39:28** which...: Heb. by my causing of them, etc * **40:2** by which: or, upon which † **40:6** which looketh...: Heb. whose face was the way toward the east ‡ **40:12** space: Heb. limit, or, bound

16 And *there were* narrow windows to the little chambers, and to their posts within the
gate round about, and likewise to the arches: and windows *were* round about inward: and
upon *each* post *were* palm trees.§**††
17 Then brought he me into the outward court, and, lo, *there were* chambers, and a
pavement made for the court round about: thirty chambers *were* upon the pavement.
18 And the pavement by the side of the gates over against the length of the gates *was* the
lower pavement.
19 Then he measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront
of the inner court without, an hundred cubits eastward and northward.‡‡
20 ¶ And the gate of the outward court that looked toward the north, he measured the
length thereof, and the breadth thereof.§§
21 And the little chambers thereof *were* three on this side and three on that side; and the
posts thereof and the arches thereof were after the measure of the first gate: the length
thereof *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.***
22 And their windows, and their arches, and their palm trees, *were* after the measure
of the gate that looketh toward the east; and they went up unto it by seven steps; and the
arches thereof *were* before them.
23 And the gate of the inner court *was* over against the gate toward the north, and toward
the east; and he measured from gate to gate an hundred cubits.
24 ¶ After that he brought me toward the south, and behold a gate toward the south: and
he measured the posts thereof and the arches thereof according to these measures.
25 And *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those
windows: the length *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.
26 And *there were* seven steps to go up to it, and the arches thereof *were* before them: and
it had palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the posts thereof.
27 And *there was* a gate in the inner court toward the south: and he measured from gate
to gate toward the south an hundred cubits.
28 And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he measured the south
gate according to these measures;
29 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof,
according to these measures: and *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round
about: *it was* fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.
30 And the arches round about *were* five and twenty cubits long, and five cubits broad.†††
31 And the arches thereof *were* toward the utter court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts
thereof: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.
32 ¶ And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate
according to these measures.
33 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, *were*
according to these measures: and *there were* windows therein and in the arches thereof
round about: *it was* fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.
34 And the arches thereof *were* toward the outward court; and palm trees *were* upon the
posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.
35 ¶ And he brought me to the north gate, and measured *it* according to these measures;
36 The little chambers thereof, the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, and the windows
to it round about: the length *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.
37 And the posts thereof *were* toward the utter court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts
thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.
38 And the chambers and the entries thereof *were* by the posts of the gates, where they
washed the burnt offering.
39 ¶ And in the porch of the gate *were* two tables on this side, and two tables on that side,
to slay thereon the burnt offering and the sin offering and the trespass offering.
40 And at the side without, as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, *were* two tables;
and on the other side, which *was* at the porch of the gate, *were* two tables.‡‡‡
41 Four tables *were* on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight
tables, whereupon they slew *their sacrifices*.

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§ **40:16** narrow: Heb. closed ** **40:16** arches: or, galleries, or, porches †† **40:16** inward: or, within ‡‡ **40:19** without: or, from without §§ **40:20** that looked: Heb. whose face was *** **40:21** arches: or, galleries, or, porches ††† **40:30** broad: Heb. breadth ‡‡‡ **40:40** as one...: or, at the step

42 And the four tables *were* of hewn stone for the burnt offering, of a cubit and an half
long, and a cubit and an half broad, and one cubit high: whereupon also they laid the
instruments wherewith they slew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.
43 And within *were* hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables
was the flesh of the offering.§§§
44 ¶ And without the inner gate *were* the chambers of the singers in the inner court, which
was at the side of the north gate; and their prospect *was* toward the south: one at the side
of the east gate *having* the prospect toward the north.
45 And he said unto me, This chamber, whose prospect *is* toward the south, *is* for the
priests, the keepers of the charge of the house.*
46 And the chamber whose prospect *is* toward the north *is* for the priests, the keepers of
the charge of the altar: these *are* the sons of Zadok among the sons of Levi, which come
near to the LORD to minister unto him.
47 So he measured the court, an hundred cubits long, and an hundred cubits broad,
foursquare; and the altar *that was* before the house.
48 ¶ And he brought me to the porch of the house, and measured *each* post of the porch,
five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side: and the breadth of the gate *was* three
cubits on this side, and three cubits on that side.
49 The length of the porch *was* twenty cubits, and the breadth eleven cubits; and *he
brought me* by the steps whereby they went up to it: and *there were* pillars by the posts,
one on this side, and another on that side.

41

1 Afterward he brought me to the temple, and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the
one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, *which was* the breadth of the tabernacle.
2 And the breadth of the door *was* ten cubits; and the sides of the door *were* five cubits on
the one side, and five cubits on the other side: and he measured the length thereof, forty
cubits: and the breadth, twenty cubits.*
3 Then went he inward, and measured the post of the door, two cubits; and the door, six
cubits; and the breadth of the door, seven cubits.
4 So he measured the length thereof, twenty cubits; and the breadth, twenty cubits,
before the temple: and he said unto me, This *is* the most holy *place*.
5 After he measured the wall of the house, six cubits; and the breadth of *every* side
chamber, four cubits, round about the house on every side.
6 And the side chambers *were* three, one over another, and thirty in order; and they
entered into the wall which *was* of the house for the side chambers round about, that they
might have hold, but they had not hold in the wall of the house.†‡§
7 And *there was* an enlarging, and a winding about still upward to the side chambers: for
the winding about of the house went still upward round about the house: therefore the
breadth of the house *was still* upward, and so increased *from* the lowest *chamber* to the
highest by the midst.**
8 I saw also the height of the house round about: the foundations of the side chambers
were a full reed of six great cubits.
9 The thickness of the wall, which *was* for the side chamber without, *was* five cubits: and
that which *was* left *was* the place of the side chambers that *were* within.
10 And between the chambers *was* the wideness of twenty cubits round about the house
on every side.
11 And the doors of the side chambers *were* toward *the place that was* left, one door
toward the north, and another door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that
was left *was* five cubits round about.
12 Now the building that *was* before the separate place at the end toward the west *was*
seventy cubits broad; and the wall of the building *was* five cubits thick round about, and
the length thereof ninety cubits.
13 So he measured the house, an hundred cubits long; and the separate place, and the
building, with the walls thereof, an hundred cubits long;
14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an
hundred cubits.

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§§§ **40:43** hooks: or, andirons, or, the two hearthstones * **40:45** charge: or, ward, or, ordinance * **41:2** door: or, entrance † **41:6** one...: Heb. side chamber over side chamber ‡ **41:6** thirty...: or, three and thirty times, or, foot § **41:6** have hold: Heb. be holden ** **41:7** there...: Heb. it was made broader, and went round

15 And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which *was*
behind it, and the galleries thereof on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits,
with the inner temple, and the porches of the court;[††]
16 The door posts, and the narrow windows, and the galleries round about on their three
stories, over against the door, cieled with wood round about, and from the ground up to
the windows, and the windows *were* covered;[‡‡§§]
17 To that above the door, even unto the inner house, and without, and by all the wall
round about within and without, by measure.[***]
18 And *it was* made with cherubims and palm trees, so that a palm tree *was* between a
cherub and a cherub; and *every* cherub had two faces;
19 So that the face of a man *was* toward the palm tree on the one side, and the face of a
young lion toward the palm tree on the other side: *it was* made through all the house round
about.
20 From the ground unto above the door *were* cherubims and palm trees made, and *on*
the wall of the temple.
21 The posts of the temple *were* squared, *and* the face of the sanctuary; the appearance *of*
the one as the appearance *of the other*.[†††]
22 The altar of wood *was* three cubits high, and the length thereof two cubits; and the
corners thereof, and the length thereof, and the walls thereof, *were* of wood: and he said
unto me, This *is* the table that *is* before the LORD.
23 And the temple and the sanctuary had two doors.
24 And the doors had two leaves *apiece*, two turning leaves; two *leaves* for the one door,
and two leaves for the other *door*.
25 And *there were* made on them, on the doors of the temple, cherubims and palm trees,
like as *were* made upon the walls; and *there were* thick planks upon the face of the porch
without.
26 And *there were* narrow windows and palm trees on the one side and on the other side,
on the sides of the porch, and *upon* the side chambers of the house, and thick planks.

42

1 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, the way toward the north: and he
brought me into the chamber that *was* over against the separate place, and which *was*
before the building toward the north.
2 Before the length of an hundred cubits *was* the north door, and the breadth *was* fifty
cubits.
3 Over against the twenty *cubits* which *were* for the inner court, and over against the
pavement which *was* for the utter court, *was* gallery against gallery in three *stories*.
4 And before the chambers *was* a walk of ten cubits breadth inward, a way of one cubit;
and their doors toward the north.
5 Now the upper chambers *were* shorter: for the galleries were higher than these, than
the lower, and than the middlemost of the building.[*†]
6 For they *were* in three *stories*, but had not pillars as the pillars of the courts: therefore
the building was straitened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.
7 And the wall that *was* without over against the chambers, toward the utter court on the
forepart of the chambers, the length thereof *was* fifty cubits.
8 For the length of the chambers that *were* in the utter court *was* fifty cubits: and, lo,
before the temple *were* an hundred cubits.
9 And from under these chambers *was* the entry on the east side, as one goeth into them
from the utter court.[‡§**]
10 The chambers *were* in the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, over
against the separate place, and over against the building.
11 And the way before them *was* like the appearance of the chambers which *were* toward
the north, as long as they, *and* as broad as they: and all their goings out *were* both according
to their fashions, and according to their doors.

[††] **41:15** galleries: or, several walks, or, walks with pillars [‡‡] **41:16** cieled...: Heb. cieling of wood [§§] **41:16** and from...: or, and the ground unto the windows [***] **41:17** measure: Heb. measures [†††] **41:21** posts: Heb. post
[*] **42:5** were higher...: or, did eat of these [†] **42:5** than the lower...: or, and the building consisted of the lower and the middlemost [‡] **42:9** from under: or, from the place [§] **42:9** the entry: or, he that brought me [**] **42:9** as...: or, as he came

12 And according to the doors of the chambers that *were* toward the south *was* a door in
the head of the way, *even* the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth
into them.
13 ¶ Then said he unto me, The north chambers *and* the south chambers, which *are* before
the separate place, they *be* holy chambers, where the priests that approach unto the LORD
shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat
offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; for the place *is* holy.
14 When the priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the holy *place* into the utter
court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they *are* holy; and
shall put on other garments, and shall approach to *those things* which *are* for the people.
15 Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth
toward the gate whose prospect *is* toward the east, and measured it round about.
16 He measured the east side with the measuring reed, five hundred reeds, with the
measuring reed round about.††
17 He measured the north side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.
18 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed.
19 ¶ He turned about to the west side, *and* measured five hundred reeds with the
measuring reed.
20 He measured it by the four sides: it had a wall round about, five hundred *reeds* long,
and five hundred broad, to make a separation between the sanctuary and the profane
place.

43

1 Afterward he brought me to the gate, *even* the gate that looketh toward the east:
2 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice
was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.
3 And *it was* according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, *even* according to the
vision that I saw when I came to destroy the city: and the visions *were* like the vision that I
saw by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face.*
4 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect
is toward the east.
5 So the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of
the LORD filled the house.
6 And I heard *him* speaking unto me out of the house; and the man stood by me.
7 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of
my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever, and my holy name,
shall the house of Israel no more defile, *neither* they, nor their kings, by their whoredom,
nor by the carcases of their kings in their high places.
8 In their setting of their threshold by my thresholds, and their post by my posts, and the
wall between me and them, they have even defiled my holy name by their abominations
that they have committed: wherefore I have consumed them in mine anger.†
9 Now let them put away their whoredom, and the carcases of their kings, far from me,
and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.
10 ¶ Thou son of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed
of their iniquities: and let them measure the pattern.‡
11 And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, shew them the form of the house,
and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comings in thereof, and all the
forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws
thereof: and write *it* in their sight, that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the
ordinances thereof, and do them.
12 This *is* the law of the house; Upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round
about *shall be* most holy. Behold, this *is* the law of the house.
13 ¶ And these *are* the measures of the altar after the cubits: The cubit *is* a cubit and an
hand breadth; even the bottom *shall be* a cubit, and the breadth a cubit, and the border
thereof by the edge thereof round about *shall be* a span: and this *shall be* the higher place
of the altar.§**

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†† **42:16** side: Heb. wind * **43:3** when...: or, when I came to prophesy that the city should be destroyed † **43:8** and the...: or, for there was but a wall between me and them ‡ **43:10** pattern: or, sum, or, number § **43:13** bottom: Heb. bosom ** **43:13** edge: Heb. lip

14 And from the bottom *upon* the ground *even* to the lower settle *shall be* two cubits, and
the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser settle *even* to the greater settle *shall be* four
cubits, and the breadth *one* cubit.
15 So the altar *shall be* four cubits; and from the altar and upward *shall be* four horns.††‡‡
16 And the altar *shall be* twelve *cubits* long, twelve broad, square in the four squares
thereof.
17 And the settle *shall be* fourteen *cubits* long and fourteen broad in the four squares
thereof; and the border about it *shall be* half a cubit; and the bottom thereof *shall be* a cubit
about; and his stairs shall look toward the east.
18 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; These *are* the ordinances
of the altar in the day when they shall make it, to offer burnt offerings thereon, and to
sprinkle blood thereon.
19 And thou shalt give to the priests the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which
approach unto me, to minister unto me, saith the Lord GOD, a young bullock for a sin
offering.
20 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put *it* on the four horns of it, and on the
four corners of the settle, and upon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and
purge it.
21 Thou shalt take the bullock also of the sin offering, and he shall burn it in the appointed
place of the house, without the sanctuary.
22 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goats without blemish for a sin
offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse *it* with the bullock.
23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing *it*, thou shalt offer a young bullock without
blemish, and a ram out of the flock without blemish.
24 And thou shalt offer them before the LORD, and the priests shall cast salt upon them,
and they shall offer them up *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD.
25 Seven days shalt thou prepare every day a goat *for* a sin offering: they shall also
prepare a young bullock, and a ram out of the flock, without blemish.
26 Seven days shall they purge the altar and purify it; and they shall consecrate
themselves.§§
27 And when these days are expired, it shall be, *that* upon the eighth day, and *so* forward,
the priests shall make your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your peace offerings; and I
will accept you, saith the Lord GOD.***

44

1 Then he brought me back the way of the gate of the outward sanctuary which looketh
toward the east; and it *was* shut.
2 Then said the LORD unto me; This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man
shall enter in by it; because the LORD, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it
shall be shut.
3 *It is* for the prince; the prince, he shall sit in it to eat bread before the LORD; he shall
enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and shall go out by the way of the same.
4 ¶ Then brought he me the way of the north gate before the house: and I looked, and,
behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD: and I fell upon my face.
5 And the LORD said unto me, Son of man, mark well, and behold with thine eyes, and
hear with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of
the LORD, and all the laws thereof; and mark well the entering in of the house, with every
going forth of the sanctuary.*†
6 And thou shalt say to the rebellious, *even* to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD;
O ye house of Israel, let it suffice you of all your abominations,
7 In that ye have brought *into my sanctuary* strangers, uncircumcised in heart, and
uncircumcised in flesh, to be in my sanctuary, to pollute it, *even* my house, when ye offer
my bread, the fat and the blood, and they have broken my covenant because of all your
abominations.‡
8 And ye have not kept the charge of mine holy things: but ye have set keepers of my
charge in my sanctuary for yourselves.§

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†† **43:15** the altar shall: Heb. Harel, that is, the mountain of God ‡‡ **43:15** the altar and: Heb. Ariel, that is, the lion of God §§ **43:26** consecrate...: Heb. fill their hands *** **43:27** peace...: or, thank offerings * **44:5** mark well: Heb. set thine heart † **44:5** mark well: Heb. set thine heart ‡ **44:7** strangers: Heb. children of a stranger § **44:8** my charge: or, my ward, or, ordinance

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in
flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that *is* among the children of Israel.

10 And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went
astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity.
11 Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, *having* charge at the gates of the house,
and ministering to the house: they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the
people, and they shall stand before them to minister unto them.
12 Because they ministered unto them before their idols, and caused the house of Israel
to fall into iniquity; therefore have I lifted up mine hand against them, saith the Lord GOD,
and they shall bear their iniquity.**
13 And they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me, nor to come
near to any of my holy things, in the most holy *place:* but they shall bear their shame, and
their abominations which they have committed.
14 But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and
for all that shall be done therein.

15 ¶ But the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary
when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister
unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the
Lord GOD:
16 They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister
unto me, and they shall keep my charge.

17 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* when they enter in at the gates of the inner court,
they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they
minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.
18 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon
their loins; they shall not gird *themselves* with any thing that causeth sweat.††
19 And when they go forth into the utter court, *even* into the utter court to the people, they
shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the holy chambers,
and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the people with their
garments.
20 Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only
poll their heads.
21 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court.
22 Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is put away: but they shall
take maidens of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow that had a priest before.‡‡§§
23 And they shall teach my people *the difference* between the holy and profane, and cause
them to discern between the unclean and the clean.
24 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; *and* they shall judge it according to
my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and
they shall hallow my sabbaths.
25 And they shall come at no dead person to defile themselves: but for father, or for
mother, or for son, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister that hath had no husband,
they may defile themselves.
26 And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.
27 And in the day that he goeth into the sanctuary, unto the inner court, to minister in the
sanctuary, he shall offer his sin offering, saith the Lord GOD.
28 And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: I *am* their inheritance: and ye shall give
them no possession in Israel: I *am* their possession.
29 They shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; and
every dedicated thing in Israel shall be theirs.***
30 And the first of all the firstfruits of all *things*, and every oblation of all, of every *sort*
of your oblations, shall be the priest's: ye shall also give unto the priest the first of your
dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.†††
31 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is dead of itself, or torn, whether it be fowl
or beast.

** **44:12** caused...: Heb. were for a stumblingblock of iniquity unto, etc †† **44:18** with...: or, in sweating places: Heb. in, or, with sweat ‡‡ **44:22** put...: Heb. thrust forth §§ **44:22** that had...: Heb. from a priest *** **44:29** dedicated: or, devoted ††† **44:30** And the first: or, And the chief

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1 Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall offer an oblation
unto the LORD, an holy portion of the land: the length *shall be* the length of five and twenty
thousand *reeds*, and the breadth *shall be* ten thousand. This *shall be* holy in all the borders
thereof round about.*†
2 Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred *in length*, with five hundred *in*
breadth, square round about; and fifty cubits round about for the suburbs thereof.‡
3 And of this measure shalt thou measure the length of five and twenty thousand, and
the breadth of ten thousand: and in it shall be the sanctuary *and* the most holy *place*.
4 The holy *portion* of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which
shall come near to minister unto the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses, and an
holy place for the sanctuary.
5 And the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall also
the Levites, the ministers of the house, have for themselves, for a possession for twenty
chambers.
6 ¶ And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and
twenty thousand long, over against the oblation of the holy *portion:* it shall be for the whole
house of Israel.
7 ¶ And a *portion shall be* for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the
oblation of the holy *portion*, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the
holy *portion*, and before the possession of the city, from the west side westward, and from
the east side eastward: and the length *shall be* over against one of the portions, from the
west border unto the east border.
8 In the land shall be his possession in Israel: and my princes shall no more oppress my
people; and *the rest of* the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.
9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence and
spoil, and execute judgment and justice, take away your exactions from my people, saith
the Lord GOD.§
10 Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.
11 The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth
part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be
after the homer.
12 And the shekel *shall be* twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen
shekels, shall be your maneh.
13 This *is* the oblation that ye shall offer; the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of wheat,
and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of barley:
14 Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, *ye shall offer* the tenth part of a bath
out of the cor, *which is* an homer of ten baths; for ten baths *are* an homer:
15 And one lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel; for
a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for peace offerings, to make reconciliation
for them, saith the Lord GOD.**††
16 All the people of the land shall give this oblation for the prince in Israel.‡‡§§
17 And it shall be the prince's part *to give* burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink
offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths, in all solemnities of
the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt
offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel.***
18 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, thou shalt
take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary:
19 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put *it* upon the posts of the
house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of
the inner court.
20 And so thou shalt do the seventh *day* of the month for every one that erreth, and for
him that is simple: so shall ye reconcile the house.
21 In the first *month*, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a
feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.
22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the
land a bullock *for* a sin offering.

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* **45:1** when...: Heb. when ye cause the land to fall † **45:1** an holy...: Heb. holiness ‡ **45:2** suburbs: or, void places § **45:9** exactions: Heb. expulsions ** **45:15** lamb: or, kid †† **45:15** peace...: or, thank offerings ‡‡ **45:16** shall...: Heb. shall be for §§ **45:16** for: or, with *** **45:17** peace...: or, thank offerings

23 And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the LORD, seven
bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily
for a sin offering.
24 And he shall prepare a meat offering of an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a
ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.
25 In the seventh *month*, in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the
feast of the seven days, according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and
according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.

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1 Thus saith the Lord GOD; The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall
be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the
new moon it shall be opened.
2 And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate without, and shall stand
by the post of the gate, and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace
offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the
gate shall not be shut until the evening.
3 Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD
in the sabbaths and in the new moons.
4 And the burnt offering that the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day *shall
be* six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish.
5 And the meat offering *shall be* an ephah for a ram, and the meat offering for the lambs
as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.*
6 And in the day of the new moon *it shall be* a young bullock without blemish, and six
lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.
7 And he shall prepare a meat offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram,
and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an hin of oil to an ephah.
8 And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and
he shall go forth by the way thereof.
9 ¶ But when the people of the land shall come before the LORD in the solemn feasts, he
that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship shall go out by the way of the south
gate; and he that entereth by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north
gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over
against it.
10 And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in; and when they go
forth, shall go forth.
11 And in the feasts and in the solemnities the meat offering shall be an ephah to a bullock,
and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.
12 Now when the prince shall prepare a voluntary burnt offering or peace offerings
voluntarily unto the LORD, *one* shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east,
and he shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, as he did on the sabbath
day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth *one* shall shut the gate.
13 Thou shalt daily prepare a burnt offering unto the LORD *of* a lamb of the first year
without blemish: thou shalt prepare it every morning.†‡
14 And thou shalt prepare a meat offering for it every morning, the sixth part of an ephah,
and the third part of an hin of oil, to temper with the fine flour; a meat offering continually
by a perpetual ordinance unto the LORD.
15 Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering, and the oil, every morning
for a continual burnt offering.
16 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, the inheritance
thereof shall be his sons'; it *shall be* their possession by inheritance.
17 But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it shall be his to the
year of liberty; after it shall return to the prince: but his inheritance shall be his sons' for
them.
18 Moreover the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance by oppression, to
thrust them out of their possession; *but* he shall give his sons inheritance out of his own
possession: that my people be not scattered every man from his possession.

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* **46:5** as he...: Heb. the gift of his hand † **46:13** of the...: Heb. a son of his year ‡ **46:13** every...: Heb. morning by morning

19 ¶ After he brought me through the entry, which *was* at the side of the gate, into the holy
chambers of the priests, which looked toward the north: and, behold, there *was* a place on
the two sides westward.
20 Then said he unto me, This *is* the place where the priests shall boil the trespass offering
and the sin offering, where they shall bake the meat offering; that they bear *them* not out
into the utter court, to sanctify the people.
21 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, and caused me to pass by the four
corners of the court; and, behold, in every corner of the court *there was* a court.§
22 In the four corners of the court *there were* courts joined of forty *cubits* long and thirty
broad: these four corners *were* of one measure.**††
23 And *there was* a row *of building* round about in them, round about them four, and *it*
was made with boiling places under the rows round about.
24 Then said he unto me, These *are* the places of them that boil, where the ministers of
the house shall boil the sacrifice of the people.

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1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued
out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house *stood*
toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at
the south *side* of the altar.
2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way
without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out
waters on the right side.
3 And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a
thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the waters *were* to the ankles.*
4 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters *were*
to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters *were* to
the loins.
5 Afterward he measured a thousand; *and it was* a river that I could not pass over: for
the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.†
6 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen *this*? Then he brought me, and caused
me to return to the brink of the river.
7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river *were* very many trees on the
one side and on the other.‡
8 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into
the desert, and go into the sea: *which being* brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be
healed.§
9 And it shall come to pass, *that* every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the
rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these
waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the
river cometh.**
10 And it shall come to pass, *that* the fishers shall stand upon it from En-gedi even unto
En-eglaim; they shall be a *place* to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their
kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many.
11 But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof shall not be healed; they shall be
given to salt.††
12 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow
all trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed:
it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued
out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for
medicine.‡‡§§***
13 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; This *shall be* the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land
according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph *shall have two* portions.

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§ **46:21** in every...: Heb. a court in a corner of a court, and a court in a corner of a court ** **46:22** joined: or, made with chimneys †† **46:22** corners were...: Heb. cornered, etc * **47:3** the waters were...: Heb. waters of the ankles † **47:5** waters to...: Heb. waters of swimming ‡ **47:7** bank: Heb. lip § **47:8** desert: or, plain ** **47:9** rivers: Heb. two rivers †† **47:11** shall not...: or, and that which shall not be healed ‡‡ **47:12** shall grow: Heb. shall come up §§ **47:12** new: or, principal *** **47:12** for medicine: or, for bruises and sores

14 And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: *concerning* the which I lifted up mine
hand to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance.†††
15 And this *shall be* the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, the
way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad;
16 Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which *is* between the border of Damascus and the border
of Hamath; Hazar-hatticon, which *is* by the coast of Hauran.‡‡‡
17 And the border from the sea shall be Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus, and the
north northward, and the border of Hamath. And *this is* the north side.
18 And the east side ye shall measure from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead,
and from the land of Israel *by* Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And *this is* the east
side.§§§
19 And the south side southward, from Tamar *even* to the waters of strife *in* Kadesh, the
river to the great sea. And *this is* the south side southward.*†‡
20 The west side also *shall be* the great sea from the border, till a man come over against
Hamath. This *is* the west side.
21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel.
22 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you,
and to the strangers that sojourn among you, which shall beget children among you: and
they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel; they shall have
inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.
23 And it shall come to pass, *that* in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give
him his inheritance, saith the Lord GOD.

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1 Now these *are* the names of the tribes. From the north end to the coast of the way of
Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus northward, to the
coast of Hamath; for these are his sides east *and* west; a *portion for* Dan.*
2 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for* Asher.
3 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, a *portion for*
Naphtali.
4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for*
Manasseh.
5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for*
Ephraim.
6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the west side, a *portion for*
Reuben.
7 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for* Judah.
8 ¶ And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the offering
which ye shall offer of five and twenty thousand *reeds in* breadth, and *in* length as one of
the *other* parts, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the
midst of it.
9 The oblation that ye shall offer unto the LORD *shall be* of five and twenty thousand in
length, and of ten thousand in breadth.
10 And for them, *even* for the priests, shall be *this* holy oblation; toward the north five and
twenty thousand *in length*, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the
east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length:
and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.
11 *It shall be* for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok; which have kept my
charge, which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the Levites went
astray.†‡
12 And *this* oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them a thing most holy by the
border of the Levites.
13 And over against the border of the priests the Levites *shall have* five and twenty
thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length *shall be* five and twenty
thousand, and the breadth ten thousand.

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††† **47:14** lifted...: or, swore ‡‡‡ **47:16** Hazar-hatticon: or, the middle village §§§ **47:18** from (Hauran, Damascus, Gilead, the land): Heb. from between * **47:19** strife: or, Meribah † **47:19** river: or, valley ‡ **47:19** is the south side southward: or, is the south side toward Teman * **48:1** a portion: Heb. one portion † **48:11** It...: or, The sanctified portion shall be for the priests ‡ **48:11** charge: or, ward, or, ordinance

14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land:
for *it is* holy unto the LORD.
15 ¶ And the five thousand, that are left in the breadth over against the five and twenty
thousand, shall be a profane *place* for the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs: and the city
shall be in the midst thereof.
16 And these *shall be* the measures thereof; the north side four thousand and five
hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and on the east side four
thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred.
17 And the suburbs of the city shall be toward the north two hundred and fifty, and
toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and
toward the west two hundred and fifty.
18 And the residue in length over against the oblation of the holy *portion shall be* ten
thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward: and it shall be over against the oblation
of the holy *portion;* and the increase thereof shall be for food unto them that serve the city.
19 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of Israel.
20 All the oblation *shall be* five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye
shall offer the holy oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city.
21 ¶ And the residue *shall be* for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy
oblation, and of the possession of the city, over against the five and twenty thousand of the
oblation toward the east border, and westward over against the five and twenty thousand
toward the west border, over against the portions for the prince: and it shall be the holy
oblation; and the sanctuary of the house *shall be* in the midst thereof.
22 Moreover from the possession of the Levites, and from the possession of the city, *being*
in the midst *of that* which is the prince's, between the border of Judah and the border of
Benjamin, shall be for the prince.
23 As for the rest of the tribes, from the east side unto the west side, Benjamin *shall have*
a *portion.*§
24 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, Simeon *shall*
have a *portion.*
25 And by the border of Simeon, from the east side unto the west side, Issachar a *portion.*
26 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, Zebulun a *portion.*
27 And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side, Gad a *portion.*
28 And by the border of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even from
Tamar *unto* the waters of strife *in* Kadesh, *and* to the river toward the great sea.**
29 This *is* the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance,
and these *are* their portions, saith the Lord GOD.
30 ¶ And these *are* the goings out of the city on the north side, four thousand and five
hundred measures.
31 And the gates of the city *shall be* after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates
northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, one gate of Levi.
32 And at the east side four thousand and five hundred: and three gates; and one gate of
Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan.
33 And at the south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and three gates; one
gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun.
34 At the west side four thousand and five hundred, *with* their three gates; one gate of
Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali.
35 *It was* round about eighteen thousand *measures:* and the name of the city from *that*
day *shall be,* The LORD *is* there.††

§ **48:23** a portion: Heb. one portion ** **48:28** strife...: or, Meribah-kadesh †† **48:35** The LORD...: Heb. Jehovah-shammah

The Book of Daniel

1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of
Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.
2 And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of
the house of God: which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he
brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.
3 ¶ And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring
certain of the children of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the princes;
4 Children in whom *was* no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and
cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as *had* ability in them to
stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the
Chaldeans.
5 And the king appointed them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of the wine which
he drank: so nourishing them three years, that at the end thereof they might stand before
the king.*
6 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and
Azariah:
7 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel *the name* of
Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah,
of Abed-nego.
8 ¶ But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of
the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of
the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.
9 Now God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince of the
eunuchs.
10 And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath
appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces worse liking than
the children which *are* of your sort? then shall ye make *me* endanger my head to the king.†‡
11 Then said Daniel to Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel,
Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,§
12 Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us pulse to eat, and water
to drink.**††
13 Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the
children that eat of the portion of the king's meat: and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.
14 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.
15 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than
all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.
16 Thus Melzar took away the portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink;
and gave them pulse.
17 ¶ As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and
wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.‡‡
18 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the
prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.
19 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel,
Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king.
20 And in all matters of wisdom *and* understanding, that the king enquired of them, he
found them ten times better than all the magicians *and* astrologers that *were* in all his
realm.§§
21 And Daniel continued *even* unto the first year of king Cyrus.

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1 And in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed
dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him.

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* **1:5** the wine...: Heb. the wine of his drink † **1:10** worse...: Heb. sadder ‡ **1:10** sort: or, term, or, continuance? § **1:11** Melzar: or, the steward ** **1:12** pulse: Heb. of pulse †† **1:12** to eat...: Heb. that we may eat, etc ‡‡ **1:17** Daniel...: or, he made Daniel understand §§ **1:20** wisdom...: Heb. wisdom of understanding

2 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers,
and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.
3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to
know the dream.
4 Then spake the Chaldeans to the king in Syriack, O king, live for ever: tell thy servants
the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.*
5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if ye will not
make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be cut in pieces,
and your houses shall be made a dunghill.†
6 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and
rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.‡
7 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will
shew the interpretation of it.
8 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would gain the time, because
ye see the thing is gone from me.§
9 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, *there is but* one decree for you: for
ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed:
therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation
thereof.
10 ¶ The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth
that can shew the king's matter: therefore *there is* no king, lord, nor ruler, *that* asked such
things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.
11 And *it is* a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it
before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.
12 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the
wise *men* of Babylon.
13 And the decree went forth that the wise *men* should be slain; and they sought Daniel
and his fellows to be slain.
14 ¶ Then Daniel answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the captain of the king's
guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise *men* of Babylon:**††
15 He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why *is* the decree *so* hasty from the
king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel.
16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he
would shew the king the interpretation.
17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and
Azariah, his companions:
18 That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that Daniel
and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise *men* of Babylon.‡‡§§
19 ¶ Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the
God of heaven.
20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom
and might are his:
21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings:
he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:
22 He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what *is* in the darkness, and the
light dwelleth with him.
23 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom
and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast *now*
made known unto us the king's matter.
24 ¶ Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the
wise *men* of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; Destroy not the wise *men* of Babylon:
bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation.
25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him,
I have found a man of the captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the
interpretation.***†††

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* **2:4** O king...: (Chaldee, to the end of chapter seven) † **2:5** cut...: Chaldee, made pieces ‡ **2:6** rewards: or, fee § **2:8** gain: Chaldee, buy ** **2:14** answered...: Chaldee, returned †† **2:14** captain...: or, chief marshal: Chaldee, chief of the executioners, or, slaughtermen ‡‡ **2:18** of the God: Chaldee, from before God §§ **2:18** that Daniel...: or, that they should not destroy Daniel, etc *** **2:25** I have...: Chaldee, That I have found ††† **2:25** captives...: Chaldee, children of the captivity of Judah

26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, Art thou able to
make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?
27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath
demanded cannot the wise *men*, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto
the king;
28 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king
Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head
upon thy bed, are these;‡‡‡
29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came *into thy mind* upon thy bed, what should come
to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to
pass.§§§
30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for *any* wisdom that I have more than
any living, but for *their* sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the king, and
that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.*
31 ¶ Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness
was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible.†
32 This image's head *was* of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his
thighs of brass,‡
33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.
34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon
his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.§
35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces
together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried
them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became
a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.
36 ¶ This *is* the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.
37 Thou, O king, *art* a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom,
power, and strength, and glory.
38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the
heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou *art*
this head of gold.
39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom
of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.
40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces
and subdueth all *things:* and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and
bruise.
41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the
kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as
thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.
42 And *as* the toes of the feet *were* part of iron, and part of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be
partly strong, and partly broken.**
43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with
the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with
clay.††
44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall
never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in
pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.‡‡§§
45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands,
and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God
hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream *is* certain,
and the interpretation thereof sure.***†††
46 ¶ Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and
commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.

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‡‡‡ **2:28** maketh...: Chaldee, hath made known §§§ **2:29** came: Chaldee, came up * **2:30** but for...: or, but for the intent that the interpretation may be made known to the king † **2:31** sawest: Chaldee, wast seeing ‡ **2:32** thighs: or, sides § **2:34** without...: or, which was not in hands ** **2:42** broken: or, brittle †† **2:43** one...: Chaldee, this with this ‡‡ **2:44** the days: Chaldee, their days §§ **2:44** the kingdom: Chaldee, the kingdom thereof *** **2:45** without...: or, which was not in hands ††† **2:45** hereafter: Chaldee, after this

47 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth *it is*, that your God *is* a God of gods,
and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.
48 Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him
ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise *men*
of Babylon.
49 Then Daniel requested of the king, and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, over
the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel *sat* in the gate of the king.

3

1 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height *was* threescore cubits,
and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of
Babylon.
2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and
the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of
the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had
set up.
3 Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the coun-
sellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the
dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before
the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.
4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and lan-
guages,*†
5 *That* at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery,
dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that
Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:‡
6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst
of a burning fiery furnace.
7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp,
sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages,
fell down *and* worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.
8 ¶ Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.
9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for ever.
10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the
cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down
and worship the golden image:§
11 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, *that* he should be cast into the midst of
a burning fiery furnace.
12 There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon,
Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve
not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.**
13 ¶ Then Nebuchadnezzar in *his* rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach,
and Abed-nego. Then they brought these men before the king.
14 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, *Is it* true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-
nego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?††
15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp,
sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the
image which I have made; *well:* but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into
the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who *is* that God that shall deliver you out of my
hands?‡‡
16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnez-
zar, we *are* not careful to answer thee in this matter.
17 If it be *so*, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace,
and he will deliver *us* out of thine hand, O king.
18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship
the golden image which thou hast set up.

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* **3:4** aloud: Chaldee, with might † **3:4** it...: Chaldee, they command ‡ **3:5** dulcimer: or, singing: Chaldee, symphony
§ **3:10** dulcimer: or, singing: Chaldee, symphony ** **3:12** have...: Chaldee, have set no regard upon thee †† **3:14** true: or, of purpose ‡‡ **3:15** dulcimer: or, singing: Chaldee, symphony

19 ¶ Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed
against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego: *therefore* he spake, and commanded that they
should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.§§
20 And he commanded the most mighty men that *were* in his army to bind Shadrach,
Meshach, and Abed-nego, *and* to cast *them* into the burning fiery furnace.***
21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their *other*
garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.†††‡‡‡
22 Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding
hot, the flame of the fire slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-
nego.§§§*
23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, fell down bound into the
midst of the burning fiery furnace.
24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonied, and rose up in haste, *and* spake, and
said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They
answered and said unto the king, True, O king.†
25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and
they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.‡
26 ¶ Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace, *and*
spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high God,
come forth, and come *hither*. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, came forth of the
midst of the fire.§
27 And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered
together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their
head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.
28 *Then* Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed *be* the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and
Abed-nego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and
have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor
worship any god, except their own God.
29 Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any
thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, shall be cut in pieces,
and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other God that can deliver
after this sort.**††‡‡
30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, in the province of
Babylon.§§

4

1 Nebuchadnezzar the king, unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the
earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.
2 I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward
me.*
3 How great *are* his signs! and how mighty *are* his wonders! his kingdom *is* an everlasting
kingdom, and his dominion *is* from generation to generation.
4 ¶ I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:
5 I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of
my head troubled me.
6 Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise *men* of Babylon before me, that they
might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.
7 Then came in the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers: and
I told the dream before them; but they did not make known unto me the interpretation
thereof.
8 ¶ But at the last Daniel came in before me, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, according to
the name of my god, and in whom *is* the spirit of the holy gods: and before him I told the
dream, *saying*,

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§§ **3:19** full: Chaldee, filled *** **3:20** most...: Chaldee, mighty of strength ††† **3:21** coats: or, mantles ‡‡‡ **3:21** hats: or, turbans §§§ **3:22** commandment: Chaldee, word * **3:22** flame: or, spark † **3:24** counsellors: or, governors ‡ **3:25** they...: Chaldee, there is no hurt in them § **3:26** mouth: Chaldee, door ** **3:29** I make...: Chaldee, a decree is made by me †† **3:29** any...: Chaldee, error ‡‡ **3:29** cut...: Chaldee, made pieces §§ **3:30** promoted: Chaldee, made to prosper * **4:2** I thought...: Chaldee, It was seemly before me

9 O Belteshazzar, master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods
is in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen,
and the interpretation thereof.
10 Thus *were* the visions of mine head in my bed; I saw, and behold a tree in the midst of
the earth, and the height thereof *was* great.†
11 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the
sight thereof to the end of all the earth:
12 The leaves thereof *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all: the
beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs
thereof, and all flesh was fed of it.
13 I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a watcher and an holy one
came down from heaven;
14 He cried aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off
his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from
his branches:‡
15 Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and
brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and *let* his
portion *be* with the beasts in the grass of the earth:
16 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let
seven times pass over him.
17 This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy
ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of
men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.
18 This dream I king Nebuchadnezzar have seen. Now thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the
interpretation thereof, forasmuch as all the wise *men* of my kingdom are not able to make
known unto me the interpretation: but thou *art* able; for the spirit of the holy gods *is* in
thee.
19 ¶ Then Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, was astonied for one hour, and his
thoughts troubled him. The king spake, and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the
interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream
be to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.
20 The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the
heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth;
21 Whose leaves *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all; under
which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had
their habitation:
22 It *is* thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and
reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.
23 And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and
saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the
earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet
with the dew of heaven, and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts of the field, till seven times
pass over him;
24 This *is* the interpretation, O king, and this *is* the decree of the most High, which is come
upon my lord the king:
25 That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the
field, and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of
heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in
the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.
26 And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall
be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule.
27 Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and break off thy sins by
righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening
of thy tranquillity.§
28 ¶ All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.
29 At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.**
30 The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the
kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?

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† **4:10** I saw: Chaldee, I was seeing ‡ **4:14** aloud: Chaldee, with might § **4:27** a lengthening...: or, an healing of thine error ** **4:29** in: or, upon

31 While the word *was* in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, *saying*, O king
Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.
32 And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the
field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until
thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever
he will.
33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from
men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs
were grown like eagles' *feathers*, and his nails like birds' *claws*.
34 And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and
mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and
honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, and his
kingdom *is* from generation to generation:
35 And all the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to
his will in the army of heaven, and *among* the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay
his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?
36 At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine
honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto
me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.
37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose
works *are* truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

5

1 Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before
the thousand.
2 Belshazzar, whiles he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver
vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken out of the temple which *was* in
Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink
therein.*†
3 Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of
God which *was* at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines,
drank in them.
4 They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood,
and of stone.
5 ¶ In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the
candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part
of the hand that wrote.
6 Then the king's countenance was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the
joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another.‡§**
7 The king cried aloud to bring in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers.
And the king spake, and said to the wise *men* of Babylon, Whosoever shall read this writing,
and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with scarlet, and *have* a chain of
gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.††‡‡
8 Then came in all the king's wise *men:* but they could not read the writing, nor make
known to the king the interpretation thereof.
9 Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his countenance was changed in him,
and his lords were astonied.§§
10 ¶ *Now* the queen, by reason of the words of the king and his lords, came into the
banquet house: *and* the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts
trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:
11 There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom *is* the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days
of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found
in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, *I say*, thy father, made master
of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, *and* soothsayers;***
12 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, interpreting of
dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts, were found in the same

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* **5:2** father: or, grandfather † **5:2** taken: Chaldee, brought forth ‡ **5:6** countenance: Chaldee, brightnesses § **5:6** was changed: Chaldee, changed it ** **5:6** joints: or, girdles: Chaldee, bindings, or, knots †† **5:7** aloud: Chaldee, with might ‡‡ **5:7** scarlet: or, purple §§ **5:9** countenance: Chaldee, brightnesses *** **5:11** father: or, grandfather

Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.[†††][‡‡‡][§§§]

13 Then was Daniel brought in before the king. *And* the king spake and said unto Daniel, *Art* thou that Daniel, which *art* of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of Jewry?[*]

14 I have even heard of thee, that the spirit of the gods *is* in thee, and *that* light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.

15 And now the wise *men*, the astrologers, have been brought in before me, that they should read this writing, and make known unto me the interpretation thereof: but they could not shew the interpretation of the thing:

16 And I have heard of thee, that thou canst make interpretations, and dissolve doubts: now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation thereof, thou shalt be clothed with scarlet, and *have* a chain of gold about thy neck, and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdom.[†]

17 ¶ Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation.[‡]

18 O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour:

19 And for the majesty that he gave him, all people, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down.

20 But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him:[§][**]

21 And he was driven from the sons of men; and his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling *was* with the wild asses: they fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven; till he knew that the most high God ruled in the kingdom of men, and *that* he appointeth over it whomsoever he will.[††]

22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this;

23 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath *is*, and whose *are* all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:

24 Then was the part of the hand sent from him; and this writing was written.

25 ¶ And this *is* the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

26 This *is* the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

27 TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

28 PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.

29 Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and *put* a chain of gold about his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

30 ¶ In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.

31 And Darius the Median took the kingdom, *being* about threescore and two years old.[‡‡][§§]

6

1 It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom an hundred and twenty princes, which should be over the whole kingdom;

2 And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel *was* first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

3 Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit *was* in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.

[†††] **5:12** interpreting: or, of an interpreter [‡‡‡] **5:12** dissolving: or, of a dissolver [§§§] **5:12** doubts: Chaldee, knots [*] **5:13** father: or, grandfather [†] **5:16** make interpretations: Chaldee, interpret, etc [‡] **5:17** rewards: or, fee [§] **5:20** in pride: or, to deal proudly [**] **5:20** deposed: Chaldee, made to come down [††] **5:21** his heart...: or, he made his heart equal, etc [‡‡] **5:31** being...: Chaldee, he as the son of, etc [§§] **5:31** about: or, now

4 ¶ Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning
the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he *was* faithful,
neither was there any error or fault found in him.
5 Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find
it against him concerning the law of his God.
6 Then these presidents and princes assembled together to the king, and said thus unto
him, King Darius, live for ever.*
7 All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors,
and the captains, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm
decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee,
O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.†
8 Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according
to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.‡
9 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.
10 ¶ Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his
windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three
times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.
11 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before
his God.
12 Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree; Hast
thou not signed a decree, that every man that shall ask *a petition* of any God or man within
thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and
said, The thing *is* true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.
13 Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, which *is* of the children of
the captivity of Judah, regardeth not thee, O king, nor the decree that thou hast signed, but
maketh his petition three times a day.
14 Then the king, when he heard *these* words, was sore displeased with himself, and set
his heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver
him.
15 Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that the
law of the Medes and Persians *is*, That no decree nor statute which the king establisheth
may be changed.
16 Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast *him* into the den of lions.
Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will
deliver thee.
17 And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it
with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed
concerning Daniel.
18 ¶ Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were
instruments of musick brought before him: and his sleep went from him.§
19 Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.
20 And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: *and* the
king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou
servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?
21 Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.
22 My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt
me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king,
have I done no hurt.
23 Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take
Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt
was found upon him, because he believed in his God.
24 ¶ And the king commanded, and they brought those men which had accused Daniel,
and they cast *them* into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; and the
lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces or ever they came at the
bottom of the den.
25 ¶ Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the
earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.

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* **6:6** assembled...: or, came tumultuously † **6:7** decree: or, interdict ‡ **6:8** altereth not: Chaldee, passeth not
§ **6:18** instruments...: or, table

26 I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before
the God of Daniel: for he *is* the living God, and stedfast for ever, and his kingdom *that* which
shall not be destroyed, and his dominion *shall be even* unto the end.
27 He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth,
who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.**
28 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

7

1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his
head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, *and* told the sum of the matters.*†
2 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the
heaven strove upon the great sea.
3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.
4 The first *was* like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were
plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a
man's heart was given to it.‡
5 And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side,
and *it had* three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it,
Arise, devour much flesh.§
6 After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four
wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.
7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible,
and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and
stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it *was* diverse from all the beasts that *were*
before it; and it had ten horns.
8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn,
before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in
this horn *were* eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.
9 ¶ I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose
garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was*
like the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire.
10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands minis-
tered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was
set, and the books were opened.
11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld
even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.
12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their
lives were prolonged for a season and time.**
13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of
heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.
14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations,
and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall
not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.
15 ¶ I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of *my* body, and the visions of my head
troubled me.††
16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he
told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.
17 These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth.
18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for
ever, even for ever and ever.‡‡
19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others,
exceeding dreadful, whose teeth *were of* iron, and his nails *of* brass; *which* devoured, brake
in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;§§
20 And of the ten horns that *were* in his head, and *of* the other which came up, and before
whom three fell; even *of* that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things,
whose look *was* more stout than his fellows.

** **6:27** power: Chaldee, hand * **7:1** had: Chaldee, saw † **7:1** matters: or, words ‡ **7:4** and it: or, wherewith it § **7:5** it raised...: or, it raised up one dominion ** **7:12** their lives...: Chaldee, a prolonging in life was given them †† **7:15** body: Chaldee, sheath ‡‡ **7:18** most...: Chaldee, high ones, that is, things, or, places §§ **7:19** from...: Chaldee, from all those

21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;
22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High;
and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.
23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be
diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and
break it in pieces.
24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom *are* ten kings *that* shall arise: and another shall
rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.
25 And he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of
the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand
until a time and times and the dividing of time.
26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to
destroy *it* unto the end.
27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole
heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom *is* an
everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.***
28 Hitherto *is* the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me,
and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

8

1 In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, *even unto*
me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.
2 And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I *was* at Shushan *in* the palace,
which *is* in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.
3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram
which had *two* horns: and the *two* horns *were* high; but one *was* higher than the other, and
the higher came up last.*
4 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts
might stand before him, neither *was there any* that could deliver out of his hand; but he
did according to his will, and became great.
5 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole
earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat *had* a notable horn between his eyes.†‡
6 And he came to the ram that had *two* horns, which I had seen standing before the river,
and ran unto him in the fury of his power.
7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him,
and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand
before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was
none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.
8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was
broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.
9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward
the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant *land*.
10 And it waxed great, *even* to the host of heaven; and it cast down *some* of the host and
of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.§
11 Yea, he magnified *himself* even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily *sacrifice*
was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.**††
12 And an host was given *him* against the daily *sacrifice* by reason of transgression, and
it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.‡‡
13 ¶ Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain *saint* which
spake, How long *shall be* the vision *concerning* the daily *sacrifice*, and the transgression of
desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?§§***
14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the
sanctuary be cleansed.†††‡‡‡
15 ¶ And it came to pass, when I, *even* I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the
meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.

*** **7:27** dominions: or, rulers * **8:3** the other: Heb. the second † **8:5** touched...: or, none touched him in the earth ‡ **8:5** a notable...: Heb. a horn of sight § **8:10** to the host: or, against the host ** **8:11** to: or, against †† **8:11** by him: or, from him ‡‡ **8:12** an host...: or, the host was given over for the transgression against the daily sacrifice §§ **8:13** that...: or, the numberer of secrets, or, the wonderful numberer: Heb. Palmoni *** **8:13** of...: or, making desolate ††† **8:14** days: Heb. evening morning ‡‡‡ **8:14** cleansed: Heb. justified

16 And I heard a man's voice between *the banks of* Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel,
make this *man* to understand the vision.
17 So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face:
but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end *shall be* the vision.
18 Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground:
but he touched me, and set me upright.§§§
19 And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the
indignation: for at the time appointed the end *shall be*.
20 The ram which thou sawest having *two* horns *are* the kings of Media and Persia.
21 And the rough goat *is* the king of Grecia: and the great horn that *is* between his eyes *is*
the first king.
22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out
of the nation, but not in his power.
23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a
king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.*
24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy
wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy
people.†
25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall
magnify *himself* in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up
against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.‡
26 And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told *is* true: wherefore shut
thou up the vision; for it *shall be* for many days.
27 And I Daniel fainted, and was sick *certain* days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's
business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood *it*.

9

1 In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was
made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;*
2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years,
whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish
seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.
3 ¶ And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting,
and sackcloth, and ashes:
4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the
great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to
them that keep his commandments;
5 We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have
rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:
6 Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name
to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.
7 O Lord, righteousness *belongeth* unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day;
to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, *that are* near,
and *that are* far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of
their trespass that they have trespassed against thee.†
8 O Lord, to us *belongeth* confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers,
because we have sinned against thee.
9 To the Lord our God *belong* mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against
him;
10 Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he
set before us by his servants the prophets.
11 Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey
thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that *is* written in the law of
Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.
12 And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges
that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been
done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.

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§§§ **8:18** set...: Heb. made me stand upon my standing * **8:23** are...: Heb. are accomplished † **8:24** holy...: Heb. people of the holy ones ‡ **8:25** peace: or, prosperity * **9:1** which: or, in which he † **9:7** belongeth...: or, thou hast

13 As *it is* written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our
prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand
thy truth.‡
14 Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD
our God *is* righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice.
15 And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt
with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have
done wickedly.§
16 ¶ O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy
fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and
for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people *are become* a reproach to all *that
are* about us.
17 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and
cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.
18 O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations,
and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before
thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies.**††
19 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake,
O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.
20 ¶ And whiles I *was* speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of
my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy
mountain of my God;
21 Yea, whiles I *was* speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the
vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the
evening oblation.‡‡
22 And he informed *me*, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to
give thee skill and understanding.§§
23 At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come
to shew *thee;* for thou *art* greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider
the vision.***†††
24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the
transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to
bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint
the most Holy.‡‡‡§§§*
25 Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to
restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and
threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous
times.†‡§
26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself:
and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary;
and the end thereof *shall be* with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are
determined.**††
27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the
week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading
of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that deter-
mined shall be poured upon the desolate.‡‡§§***

10

1 In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name
was called Belteshazzar; and the thing *was* true, but the time appointed *was* long: and he
understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.*

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‡ **9:13** made...: Heb. intreated we not the face of the, etc § **9:15** gotten...: Heb. made thee a name ** **9:18** which...: Heb. whereupon thy name is called †† **9:18** present: Heb. cause to fall ‡‡ **9:21** swiftly: Heb. with weariness, or, flight §§ **9:22** to...: Heb. to make thee skilful of *** **9:23** commandment: Heb. word ††† **9:23** greatly...: Heb. a man of desires ‡‡‡ **9:24** finish: or, restrain §§§ **9:24** make an...: or, seal up * **9:24** prophecy: Heb. prophet † **9:25** be built...: Heb. return and be built ‡ **9:25** wall: or, breach, or, ditch § **9:25** troublous: Heb. strait of ** **9:26** but...: or, and shall have nothing †† **9:26** desolations...: or, it shall be cut off by desolations ‡‡ **9:27** the covenant: or, a covenant §§ **9:27** for the...: or, with the abominable armies *** **9:27** the desolate: or, the desolator * **10:1** long: Heb. great

2 In those days I Daniel was mourning three full weeks.†
3 I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint
myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.‡
4 And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great
river, which *is* Hiddekel;
5 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain man clothed in linen, whose
loins *were* girded with fine gold of Uphaz:§
6 His body also *was* like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his
eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the
voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.
7 And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision;
but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.
8 Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength
in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.**
9 Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I
in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.
10 ¶ And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and *upon* the palms
of my hands.††
11 And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I
speak unto thee, and stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken
this word unto me, I stood trembling.‡‡§§
12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine
heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I
am come for thy words.
13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo,
Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of
Persia.***
14 Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days:
for yet the vision *is* for *many* days.
15 And when he had spoken such words unto me, I set my face toward the ground, and I
became dumb.
16 And, behold, *one* like the similitude of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened
my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by the vision my
sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength.
17 For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me,
straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me.†††
18 Then there came again and touched me *one* like the appearance of a man, and he
strengthened me,
19 And said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace *be* unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong.
And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou
hast strengthened me.
20 Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight
with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come.
21 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and *there is* none that
holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.‡‡‡

11

1 Also I in the first year of Darius the Mede, *even* I, stood to confirm and to strengthen
him.
2 And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in
Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than *they* all: and by his strength through his
riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.
3 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according
to his will.
4 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward
the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he
ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.

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† **10:2** full...: Heb. weeks of days ‡ **10:3** pleasant...: Heb. bread of desires § **10:5** a...: Heb. one man ** **10:8** comeliness: or, vigour †† **10:10** set: Heb. moved ‡‡ **10:11** greatly...: Heb. of desires §§ **10:11** upright: Heb. upon thy standing *** **10:13** chief: or, first ††† **10:17** the...: or, this servant of my lord ‡‡‡ **10:21** holdeth: Heb. strengtheneth himself

5 ¶ And the king of the south shall be strong, and *one* of his princes; and he shall be strong
above him, and have dominion; his dominion *shall be* a great dominion.
6 And in the end of years they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of
the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain
the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and
they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in *these* times.*†‡
7 But out of a branch of her roots shall *one* stand up in his estate, which shall come with
an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against
them, and shall prevail:§
8 And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, *and* with their
precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue *more* years than the king of the
north.**
9 So the king of the south shall come into *his* kingdom, and shall return into his own land.
10 But his sons shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and *one*
shall certainly come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and be stirred
up, *even* to his fortress.††‡‡
11 And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight
with him, *even* with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the
multitude shall be given into his hand.
12 *And* when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall
cast down *many* ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened *by it*.
13 For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than
the former, and shall certainly come after certain years with a great army and with much
riches.§§
14 And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the
robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.***
15 So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced
cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither
shall there be any strength to withstand.†††‡‡‡
16 But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall
stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, which by his hand shall be
consumed.§§§
17 He shall also set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and upright
ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, corrupting
her: but she shall not stand *on his side*, neither be for him.*†
18 After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince for his
own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he
shall cause *it* to turn upon him.‡§
19 Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and
fall, and not be found.
20 Then shall stand up in his estate a raiser of taxes *in* the glory of the kingdom: but within
few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle.**††‡‡
21 And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour
of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.§§
22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before him, and shall be
broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.
23 And after the league *made* with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up,
and shall become strong with a small people.
24 He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do
that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them

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* **11:6** join...: Heb. associate themselves † **11:6** an...: Heb. rights ‡ **11:6** he that begat...: or, whom she brought forth § **11:7** in...: or, in his place, or, office ** **11:8** their precious...: Heb. vessels of their desire †† **11:10** shall be...: or, shall war ‡‡ **11:10** return...: or, be stirred up again §§ **11:13** after...: Heb. at the end of times, even years *** **11:14** the robbers: Heb. the children of robbers ††† **11:15** the most...: Heb. the city of munitions ‡‡‡ **11:15** his...: Heb. the people of his choices §§§ **11:16** glorious...: or, goodly, etc.: Heb. land of ornament * **11:17** upright...: or, much uprightness: or, equal conditions † **11:17** corrupting: Heb. to corrupt ‡ **11:18** for...: Heb. for him § **11:18** the reproach...: Heb. his reproach ** **11:20** estate: or, place †† **11:20** a...: Heb. one that causeth an exacter to pass over ‡‡ **11:20** anger: Heb. angers §§ **11:21** estate: or, place

the prey, and spoil, and riches: *yea*, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.***†††
25 And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.
26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.
27 And both these kings' hearts *shall be* to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end *shall be* at the time appointed.‡‡‡
28 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart *shall be* against the holy covenant; and he shall do *exploits*, and return to his own land.
29 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.
30 ¶ For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.
31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily *sacrifice*, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate.§§§
32 And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do *exploits*.*
33 And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many* days.
34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.
35 And *some* of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make *them* white, *even* to the time of the end: because *it is* yet for a time appointed.†
36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.
37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.
38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.‡§**††
39 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge *and* increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.‡‡§§
40 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.
41 He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, *even* Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.***
42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.†††
43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.
44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.
45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.‡‡‡

*** **11:24** peaceably...: or, into the peaceable and fat, etc ††† **11:24** forecast...: Heb. think his thoughts ‡‡‡ **11:27** hearts: Heb. their hearts §§§ **11:31** maketh...: or, astonisheth * **11:32** corrupt: or, cause to dissemble † **11:35** try them: or, try by them ‡ **11:38** in...: or, as for the Almighty God, in his seat he shall honour yea, he shall honour a god, whom, etc § **11:38** estate: or, stead ** **11:38** forces: or, munitions: Heb. Mauzzim, or, God's protectors †† **11:38** pleasant: Heb. things desired ‡‡ **11:39** most...: Heb. fortresses of munitions §§ **11:39** gain: Heb. a price *** **11:41** glorious...: or, goodly, etc.: Heb. land of delight, or, ornament ††† **11:42** stretch...: Heb. send forth ‡‡‡ **11:45** glorious...: or, goodly, etc.: Heb. mountain of delight of holiness

12

1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children
of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a
nation *even* to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one
that shall be found written in the book.
2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting
life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt.
3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn
many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.*
4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end:
many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
5 ¶ Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the
bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.†‡
6 And *one* said to the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, How
long *shall it be to* the end of these wonders?§
7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, when
he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for
ever that *it shall be* for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to
scatter the power of the holy people, all these *things* shall be finished.**
8 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what *shall be* the end of these
things?
9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of
the end.
10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly:
and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.
11 And from the time *that* the daily *sacrifice* shall be taken away, and the abomination
that maketh desolate set up, *there shall be* a thousand two hundred and ninety days.††‡‡
12 Blessed *is* he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and
thirty days.
13 But go thou thy way till the end *be:* for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of
the days.§§

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* **12:3** wise: or, teachers † **12:5** bank: Heb. lip ‡ **12:5** bank: Heb. lip § **12:6** upon...: or, from above ** **12:7** a time...: or, part †† **12:11** the abomination: Heb. to set up the abomination ‡‡ **12:11** maketh...: or, astonisheth §§ **12:13** for thou: or, and thou, etc

Hosea

1 The word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah,
Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash,
king of Israel.
2 The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take
unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: for the land hath committed
great whoredom, *departing* from the LORD.
3 So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a
son.
4 And the LORD said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; for yet a little *while*, and I will avenge
the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause to cease the kingdom of the
house of Israel.*
5 And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of
Jezreel.
6 ¶ And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And *God* said unto him, Call her name
Lo-ruhamah: for I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; but I will utterly take
them away.†‡§
7 But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by the LORD
their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by
horsemen.
8 ¶ Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.
9 Then said *God*, Call his name Lo-ammi: for ye *are* not my people, and I will not be your
God.**
10 ¶ Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot
be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, *that* in the place where it was said
unto them, Ye *are* not my people, *there* it shall be said unto them, *Ye are* the sons of the
living God.††
11 Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and
appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great *shall be* the
day of Jezreel.

2

1 Say ye unto your brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ru-hamah. *†
2 Plead with your mother, plead: for she *is* not my wife, neither *am* I her husband: let her
therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her
breasts;
3 Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a
wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst.
4 And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they *be* the children of whoredoms.
5 For their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully:
for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give *me* my bread and my water, my wool and
my flax, mine oil and my drink.‡
6 ¶ Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and make a wall, that she shall
not find her paths.§
7 And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek
them, but shall not find *them:* then shall she say, I will go and return to my first husband;
for then *was it* better with me than now.
8 For she did not know that I gave her corn, and wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver
and gold, *which* they prepared for Baal.**††
9 Therefore will I return, and take away my corn in the time thereof, and my wine in the
season thereof, and will recover my wool and my flax *given* to cover her nakedness.‡‡

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* **1:4** avenge: Heb. visit † **1:6** Lo-ruhamah: that is, Not having obtained mercy ‡ **1:6** no...: Heb. not add any more to § **1:6** but...: or, that I should altogether pardon them ** **1:9** Lo-ammi: that is, Not my people †† **1:10** in...: or, instead of that * **2:1** Ammi: that is, My people † **2:1** Ru-hamah: that is, Having obtained mercy ‡ **2:5** drink: Heb. drinks § **2:6** make...: Heb. wall a wall ** **2:8** wine: Heb. new wine †† **2:8** which...: or, wherewith they made Baal ‡‡ **2:9** recover: or, take away

10 And now will I discover her lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver
her out of mine hand.§§
11 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths,
and all her solemn feasts.
12 And I will destroy her vines and her fig trees, whereof she hath said, These *are* my
rewards that my lovers have given me: and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the
field shall eat them.***
13 And I will visit upon her the days of Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and
she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and
forgat me, saith the LORD.
14 ¶ Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak
comfortably unto her.†††
15 And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of
hope: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she
came up out of the land of Egypt.
16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, *that* thou shalt call me Ishi; and shalt call
me no more Baali.‡‡‡§§§
17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be
remembered by their name.
18 And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with
the fowls of heaven, and *with* the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow
and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely.
19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in
righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.
20 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the LORD.
21 And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens,
and they shall hear the earth;
22 And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel.
23 And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not
obtained mercy; and I will say to *them which were* not my people, Thou *art* my people; and
they shall say, *Thou art* my God.

3

1 Then said the LORD unto me, Go yet, love a woman beloved of *her* friend, yet an
adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to
other gods, and love flagons of wine.*
2 So I bought her to me for fifteen *pieces* of silver, and *for* an homer of barley, and an half
homer of barley:†
3 And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide for me many days; thou shalt not play the harlot,
and thou shalt not be for *another* man: so *will* I also *be* for thee.
4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince,
and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and *without*
teraphim:‡
5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David
their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

4

1 Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with
the inhabitants of the land, because *there is* no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in
the land.
2 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break
out, and blood toucheth blood.*
3 Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish,
with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also
shall be taken away.
4 Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people *are* as they that strive with
the priest.

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§§ **2:10** lewdness: Heb. folly, or, villany *** **2:12** destroy: Heb. make desolate ††† **2:14** comfortably: or, friendly: Heb. to her heart ‡‡‡ **2:16** Ishi: that is, My husband §§§ **2:16** Baali: that is, My lord * **3:1** of wine: Heb. of grapes † **3:2** half...: Heb. lethech ‡ **3:4** image: Heb. a standing, or, statue, or, pillar * **4:2** blood: Heb. bloods

5 Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night,
and I will destroy thy mother.†
6 ¶ My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowl-
edge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten
the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.‡
7 As they were increased, so they sinned against me: *therefore* will I change their glory
into shame.
8 They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity.§
9 And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and
reward them their doings.**††
10 For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not
increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD.
11 Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.
12 ¶ My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the
spirit of whoredoms hath caused *them* to err, and they have gone a whoring from under
their God.
13 They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under
oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof *is* good: therefore your daughters
shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.
14 I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses
when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice
with harlots: therefore the people *that* doth not understand shall fall.‡‡§§
15 ¶ Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, *yet* let not Judah offend; and come not ye unto
Gilgal, neither go ye up to Beth-aven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.
16 For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb
in a large place.
17 Ephraim *is* joined to idols: let him alone.
18 Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers *with*
shame do love, Give ye.***†††
19 The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their
sacrifices.

5

1 Hear ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of
the king; for judgment *is* toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net
spread upon Tabor.
2 And the revolters are profound to make slaughter, though I *have been* a rebuker of them
all.*†
3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest
whoredom, *and* Israel is defiled.
4 They will not frame their doings to turn unto their God: for the spirit of whoredoms *is*
in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD.‡§
5 And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in
their iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them.
6 They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; but they shall not
find *him;* he hath withdrawn himself from them.
7 They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange
children: now shall a month devour them with their portions.
8 Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, *and* the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud *at* Beth-aven, after
thee, O Benjamin.
9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made
known that which shall surely be.
10 The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound: *therefore* I will pour out
my wrath upon them like water.
11 Ephraim *is* oppressed *and* broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the
commandment.

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† **4:5** destroy: Heb. cut off ‡ **4:6** destroyed: Heb. cut off § **4:8** set...: Heb. lift up their soul to ** **4:9** punish: Heb. visit upon †† **4:9** reward: Heb. cause to return ‡‡ **4:14** I will not: or, Shall I not §§ **4:14** fall: or, be punished *** **4:18** sour: Heb. gone ††† **4:18** rulers: Heb. shields * **5:2** though: or, and † **5:2** a rebuker: Heb. a correction ‡ **5:4** They will...: or, Their doings will not suffer them § **5:4** frame: Heb. give

12 Therefore *will* I *be* unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness.**
13 When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah *saw* his wound, then went Ephraim to the
Assyrian, and sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound.††
14 For I *will be* unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, *even* I,
will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue *him*.
15 ¶ I will go *and* return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my
face: in their affliction they will seek me early.‡‡

6

1 Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath
smitten, and he will bind us up.
2 After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live
in his sight.
3 Then shall we know, *if* we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as
the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter *and* former rain unto the
earth.
4 ¶ O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your
goodness *is* as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.*
5 Therefore have I hewed *them* by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my
mouth: and thy judgments *are as* the light *that* goeth forth.†
6 For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt
offerings.
7 But they like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously
against me.‡
8 Gilead *is* a city of them that work iniquity, *and is* polluted with blood.§
9 And as troops of robbers wait for a man, *so* the company of priests murder in the way
by consent: for they commit lewdness.**††
10 I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there *is* the whoredom of Ephraim,
Israel is defiled.
11 Also, O Judah, he hath set an harvest for thee, when I returned the captivity of my
people.

7

1 When I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the
wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, *and* the troop
of robbers spoileth without.*†
2 And they consider not in their hearts *that* I remember all their wickedness: now their
own doings have beset them about; they are before my face.‡
3 They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies.
4 They *are* all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, *who* ceaseth from raising after
he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.§**
5 In the day of our king the princes have made *him* sick with bottles of wine; he stretched
out his hand with scorners.††
6 For they have made ready their heart like an oven, whiles they lie in wait: their baker
sleepeth all the night; in the morning it burneth as a flaming fire.‡‡
7 They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; all their kings are fallen:
there is none among them that calleth unto me.
8 Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake not turned.
9 Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth *it* not: yea, gray hairs are here
and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.§§
10 And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and they do not return to the LORD their
God, nor seek him for all this.
11 ¶ Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.

** **5:12** rottenness: or, a worm †† **5:13** king Jareb: or, the king of Jareb: or, the king that should plead ‡‡ **5:15** acknowledge...: Heb. be guilty * **6:4** goodness: or, mercy, or, kindness † **6:5** and...: or, that thy judgments might be, etc ‡ **6:7** men: or, Adam § **6:8** polluted: or, cunning for ** **6:9** by...: Heb. with one shoulder, or, to Shechem †† **6:9** lewdness: or, enormity * **7:1** wickedness: Heb. evils † **7:1** spoileth: Heb. strippeth ‡ **7:2** consider...: Heb. say not to § **7:4** who...: or, the raiser will cease ** **7:4** raising: or, waking †† **7:5** bottles...: or, heat through wine ‡‡ **7:6** made...: or, applied §§ **7:9** here...: Heb. sprinkled

12 When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them; I will bring them down as the
fowls of the heaven; I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard.
13 Woe unto them! for they have fled from me: destruction unto them! because they
have transgressed against me: though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies
against me.***
14 And they have not cried unto me with their heart, when they howled upon their beds:
they assemble themselves for corn and wine, *and* they rebel against me.
15 Though I have bound *and* strengthened their arms, yet do they imagine mischief
against me.†††
16 They return, *but* not to the most High: they are like a deceitful bow: their princes shall
fall by the sword for the rage of their tongue: this *shall be* their derision in the land of Egypt.

8

1 *Set* the trumpet to thy mouth. *He shall come* as an eagle against the house of the LORD,
because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my law.*
2 Israel shall cry unto me, My God, we know thee.
3 Israel hath cast off *the thing that is* good: the enemy shall pursue him.
4 They have set up kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew *it* not: of
their silver and their gold have they made them idols, that they may be cut off.
5 ¶ Thy calf, O Samaria, hath cast *thee* off; mine anger is kindled against them: how long
will it be ere they attain to innocency?
6 For from Israel *was* it also: the workman made it; therefore it *is* not God: but the calf of
Samaria shall be broken in pieces.
7 For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk: the
bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.†
8 Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles as a vessel wherein *is* no
pleasure.
9 For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass alone by himself: Ephraim hath hired lovers.‡
10 Yea, though they have hired among the nations, now will I gather them, and they shall
sorrow a little for the burden of the king of princes.§**
11 Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sin, altars shall be unto him to sin.
12 I have written to him the great things of my law, *but* they were counted as a strange
thing.
13 They sacrifice flesh *for* the sacrifices of mine offerings, and eat *it; but* the LORD
accepteth them not; now will he remember their iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall
return to Egypt.††
14 For Israel hath forgotten his Maker, and buildeth temples; and Judah hath multiplied
fenced cities: but I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour the palaces thereof.

9

1 Rejoice not, O Israel, for joy, as *other* people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God,
thou hast loved a reward upon every cornfloor.*
2 The floor and the winepress shall not feed them, and the new wine shall fail in her.†
3 They shall not dwell in the LORD's land; but Ephraim shall return to Egypt, and they
shall eat unclean *things* in Assyria.
4 They shall not offer wine *offerings* to the LORD, neither shall they be pleasing unto him:
their sacrifices *shall be* unto them as the bread of mourners; all that eat thereof shall be
polluted: for their bread for their soul shall not come into the house of the LORD.
5 What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of the LORD?
6 For, lo, they are gone because of destruction: Egypt shall gather them up, Memphis shall
bury them: the pleasant *places* for their silver, nettles shall possess them: thorns *shall be*
in their tabernacles.‡§
7 The days of visitation are come, the days of recompence are come; Israel shall know *it:*
the prophet *is* a fool, the spiritual man *is* mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the
great hatred.**

*** **7:13** destruction: Heb. spoil ††† **7:15** have...: or, chastened * **8:1** thy: Heb. the roof of thy † **8:7** stalk: or, standing corn ‡ **8:9** lovers: Heb. loves § **8:10** sorrow: or, begin ** **8:10** a...: or, in a little while †† **8:13** They sacrifice...: or, In the sacrifices of mine offerings they, etc * **9:1** upon: or, in, etc † **9:2** winepress: or, winefat ‡ **9:6** destruction: Heb. spoil § **9:6** the...: or, their silver shall be desired, the nettle, etc.: Heb. the desire ** **9:7** spiritual...: Heb. man of the spirit

8 The watchman of Ephraim *was* with my God: *but* the prophet *is* a snare of a fowler in
all his ways, *and* hatred in the house of his God.††
9 They have deeply corrupted *themselves*, as in the days of Gibeah: *therefore* he will
remember their iniquity, he will visit their sins.
10 I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the
fig tree at her first time: *but* they went to Baal-peor, and separated themselves unto *that*
shame; and *their* abominations were according as they loved.
11 *As for* Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird, from the birth, and from the
womb, and from the conception.
12 Though they bring up their children, yet will I bereave them, *that there shall* not *be* a
man *left:* yea, woe also to them when I depart from them!
13 Ephraim, as I saw Tyrus, *is* planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring forth
his children to the murderer.
14 Give them, O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry
breasts.‡‡
15 All their wickedness *is* in Gilgal: for there I hated them: for the wickedness of their
doings I will drive them out of mine house, I will love them no more: all their princes *are*
revolters.
16 Ephraim is smitten, their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: yea, though they
bring forth, yet will I slay *even* the beloved *fruit* of their womb.§§
17 My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto him: and they shall be
wanderers among the nations.

10

1 Israel *is* an empty vine, he bringeth forth fruit unto himself: according to the multitude
of his fruit he hath increased the altars; according to the goodness of his land they have
made goodly images.*†
2 Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty: he shall break down their altars,
he shall spoil their images.‡§**
3 For now they shall say, We have no king, because we feared not the LORD; what then
should a king do to us?
4 They have spoken words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: thus judgment
springeth up as hemlock in the furrows of the field.
5 The inhabitants of Samaria shall fear because of the calves of Beth-aven: for the people
thereof shall mourn over it, and the priests thereof *that* rejoiced on it, for the glory thereof,
because it is departed from it.††
6 It shall be also carried unto Assyria *for* a present to king Jareb: Ephraim shall receive
shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel.
7 *As for* Samaria, her king is cut off as the foam upon the water.‡‡
8 The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed: the thorn and the
thistle shall come up on their altars; and they shall say to the mountains, Cover us; and to
the hills, Fall on us.
9 O Israel, thou hast sinned from the days of Gibeah: there they stood: the battle in Gibeah
against the children of iniquity did not overtake them.
10 *It is* in my desire that I should chastise them; and the people shall be gathered against
them, when they shall bind themselves in their two furrows.§§
11 And Ephraim *is as* an heifer *that is* taught, *and* loveth to tread out *the corn;* but I passed
over upon her fair neck: I will make Ephraim to ride; Judah shall plow, *and* Jacob shall
break his clods.***
12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for
it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.
13 Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies:
because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.

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†† **9:8** in the: or, against the ‡‡ **9:14** miscarrying: Heb. that casteth the fruit §§ **9:16** the...: Heb. the desires
* **10:1** an...: or, a vine emptying the fruit which it giveth † **10:1** images: Heb. statues, or, standing images ‡ **10:2**
Their heart...: or, He hath divided their heart § **10:2** break...: Heb. behead ** **10:2** images: Heb. statues, or,
standing images †† **10:5** the priests...: or, Chemarim ‡‡ **10:7** the water: Heb. the face of the water §§ **10:10**
when...: or, when I shall bind them for their two transgressions, or, in their two habitations *** **10:11** her...: Heb. the
beauty of her neck

14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled,
as Shalman spoiled Beth-arbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces upon
her children.
15 So shall Beth-el do unto you because of your great wickedness: in a morning shall the
king of Israel utterly be cut off.[†††]

11

1 When Israel *was* a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.
2 *As* they called them, so they went from them: they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned
incense to graven images.
3 I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they knew not that I healed
them.
4 I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love: and I was to them as they that take
off the yoke on their jaws, and I laid meat unto them.[*]
5 ¶ He shall not return into the land of Egypt, but the Assyrian shall be his king, because
they refused to return.
6 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his branches, and devour
them, because of their own counsels.
7 And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called them to the most
High, none at all would exalt *him*.[†]
8 How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? *how* shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make
thee as Admah? *how* shall I set thee as Zeboim? mine heart is turned within me, my
repentings are kindled together.
9 I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for
I *am* God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of thee: and I will not enter into the city.
10 They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the
children shall tremble from the west.
11 They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria: and
I will place them in their houses, saith the LORD.
12 Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Judah
yet ruleth with God, and is faithful with the saints.[‡]

12

1 Ephraim feedeth on wind, and followeth after the east wind: he daily increaseth lies
and desolation; and they do make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oil is carried into
Egypt.
2 The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will punish Jacob according to his
ways; according to his doings will he recompense him.[*]
3 ¶ He took his brother by the heel in the womb, and by his strength he had power with
God:[†]
4 Yea, he had power over the angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto
him: he found him *in* Beth-el, and there he spake with us;
5 Even the LORD God of hosts; the LORD *is* his memorial.
6 Therefore turn thou to thy God: keep mercy and judgment, and wait on thy God
continually.
7 ¶ *He is* a merchant, the balances of deceit *are* in his hand: he loveth to oppress.[‡§]
8 And Ephraim said, Yet I am become rich, I have found me out substance: *in* all my
labours they shall find none iniquity in me that *were* sin.[**††]
9 And I *that am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt will yet make thee to dwell in
tabernacles, as in the days of the solemn feast.
10 I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes,
by the ministry of the prophets.[‡‡]
11 *Is there* iniquity *in* Gilead? surely they are vanity: they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal; yea,
their altars *are* as heaps in the furrows of the fields.
12 And Jacob fled into the country of Syria, and Israel served for a wife, and for a wife he
kept *sheep*.

[†††] **10:15** your...: Heb. the evil of your evil [*] **11:4** take off: Heb. lift up [†] **11:7** none...: Heb. together they exalted not [‡] **11:12** saints: or, most holy [*] **12:2** punish: Heb. visit upon [†] **12:3** had...: Heb. was a prince, or, behaved himself princely [‡] **12:7** a merchant: or, Canaan [§] **12:7** oppress: or, deceive [**] **12:8** in all...: or, all my labours suffice me not: he shall have punishment of iniquity in whom is sin [††] **12:8** that: Heb. which [‡‡] **12:10** ministry: Heb. hand

13 And by a prophet the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he
preserved.
14 Ephraim provoked *him* to anger most bitterly: therefore shall he leave his blood upon
him, and his reproach shall his Lord return unto him.§§***

13

1 When Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but when he offended in
Baal, he died.
2 And now they sin more and more, and have made them molten images of their silver,
and idols according to their own understanding, all of it the work of the craftsmen: they
say of them, Let the men that sacrifice kiss the calves.*†
3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away,
as the chaff *that* is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the
chimney.
4 Yet I *am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me:
for *there is* no saviour beside me.
5 ¶ I did know thee in the wilderness, in the land of great drought.‡
6 According to their pasture, so were they filled; they were filled, and their heart was
exalted; therefore have they forgotten me.
7 Therefore I will be unto them as a lion: as a leopard by the way will I observe *them:*
8 I will meet them as a bear *that is* bereaved *of her whelps*, and will rend the caul of their
heart, and there will I devour them like a lion: the wild beast shall tear them.§
9 ¶ O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me *is* thine help.**
10 I will be thy king: where *is any other* that may save thee in all thy cities? and thy judges
of whom thou saidst, Give me a king and princes?††
11 I gave thee a king in mine anger, and took *him* away in my wrath.
12 The iniquity of Ephraim *is* bound up; his sin *is* hid.
13 The sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him: he *is* an unwise son; for he
should not stay long in *the place of* the breaking forth of children.‡‡
14 I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O
death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from
mine eyes.§§
15 ¶ Though he be fruitful among *his* brethren, an east wind shall come, the wind of the
LORD shall come up from the wilderness, and his spring shall become dry, and his fountain
shall be dried up: he shall spoil the treasure of all pleasant vessels.***
16 Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall
by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be
ripped up.

14

1 O Israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.
2 Take with you words, and turn to the LORD: say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and
receive *us* graciously: so will we render the calves of our lips.*
3 Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to
the work of our hands, *Ye are* our gods: for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy.
4 ¶ I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away
from him.
5 I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as
Lebanon.†‡
6 His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as
Lebanon.§
7 They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive *as* the corn, and grow
as the vine: the scent thereof *shall be* as the wine of Lebanon.**††

§§ **12:14** most...: Heb. with bitternesses *** **12:14** blood: Heb. bloods * **13:2** they sin...: Heb. they add to sin † **13:2** the men...: or, the sacrificers of men ‡ **13:5** great...: Heb. droughts § **13:8** wild...: Heb. beast of the field ** **13:9** is...: Heb. in thy help †† **13:10** I will...: rather, Where is thy king? ‡‡ **13:13** long: Heb. a time §§ **13:14** power: Heb. hand *** **13:15** pleasant...: Heb. vessels of desire * **14:2** receive...: or, give good † **14:5** grow: or, blossom ‡ **14:5** cast...: Heb. strike § **14:6** spread: Heb. go ** **14:7** grow: or, blossom †† **14:7** scent: or, memorial

8 Ephraim *shall say*, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard *him*, and
observed him: I *am* like a green fir tree. From me is thy fruit found.
9 Who *is* wise, and he shall understand these *things*? prudent, and he shall know them?
for the ways of the LORD *are* right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors
shall fall therein.

Joel

1 The word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.
2 Hear this, ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land. Hath this been in your
days, or even in the days of your fathers?
3 Tell ye your children of it, and *let* your children *tell* their children, and their children
another generation.
4 That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust
hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the
caterpiller eaten.*
5 Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new
wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.
6 For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose teeth *are* the
teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.
7 He hath laid my vine waste, and barked my fig tree: he hath made it clean bare, and
cast *it* away; the branches thereof are made white.†
8 ¶ Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth.
9 The meat offering and the drink offering is cut off from the house of the LORD; the
priests, the LORD's ministers, mourn.
10 The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the new wine is dried
up, the oil languisheth.
11 Be ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O ye vinedressers, for the wheat and for the
barley; because the harvest of the field is perished.
12 The vine is dried up, and the fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree
also, and the apple tree, *even* all the trees of the field, are withered: because joy is withered
away from the sons of men.
13 Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all
night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is
withholden from the house of your God.
14 ¶ Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders *and* all the inhabitants of
the land *into* the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD,‡
15 Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD *is* at hand, and as a destruction from the
Almighty shall it come.
16 Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, *yea*, joy and gladness from the house of our
God?
17 The seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken
down; for the corn is withered.§
18 How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no
pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.
19 O LORD, to thee will I cry: for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness,
and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.**
20 The beasts of the field cry also unto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the
fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness.

2

1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the
inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for *it is* nigh at hand;*
2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the
morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been
ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, *even* to the years of many generations.†
3 A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land *is* as the
garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing
shall escape them.
4 The appearance of them *is* as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they
run.

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* **1:4** That which the palmerworm...: Heb. The residue of the palmerworm † **1:7** barked...: Heb. laid my fig tree for a barking ‡ **1:14** solemn...: or, day of restraint § **1:17** seed: Heb. grains ** **1:19** pastures: or, habitations * **2:1** trumpet: or, cornet † **2:2** of many...: Heb. of generation and generation

5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a
flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.
6 Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather blackness.‡
7 They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall
march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:
8 Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and *when* they
fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.§
9 They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up
upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.
10 The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon
shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:
11 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp *is* very great: for *he*
is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible; and
who can abide it?
12 ¶ Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye *even* to me with all your heart, and with
fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:
13 And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for
he *is* gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the
evil.
14 Who knoweth *if* he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; *even* a
meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?
15 ¶ Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:
16 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children,
and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride
out of her closet.
17 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and
let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the
heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where *is*
their God?**
18 ¶ Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.
19 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and
wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach
among the heathen:
20 But I will remove far off from you the northern *army*, and will drive him into a land
barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the
utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath
done great things.††
21 ¶ Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.‡‡
22 Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for
the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.
23 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given
you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the
former rain, and the latter rain in the first *month*.§§***
24 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.
25 And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the
caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.
26 And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God,
that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.
27 And ye shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel, and *that* I *am* the LORD your God,
and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.
28 ¶ And it shall come to pass afterward, *that* I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh;
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your
young men shall see visions:
29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my
spirit.
30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars
of smoke.

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‡ **2:6** blackness: Heb. pot § **2:8** sword: or, dart ** **2:17** rule over: or, use a byword against †† **2:20** hath...: Heb. hath magnified to do ‡‡ **2:21** will...: Heb. hath magnified to do §§ **2:23** the former rain moderately: or, a teacher of righteousness *** **2:23** moderately: Heb. according to righteousness

31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and
the terrible day of the LORD come.
32 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be
delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said,
and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

3

1 For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of
Judah and Jerusalem,
2 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat,
and will plead with them there for my people and *for* my heritage Israel, whom they have
scattered among the nations, and parted my land.
3 And they have cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a
girl for wine, that they might drink.
4 Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine?
will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompense me, swiftly *and* speedily will I
return your recompence upon your own head;
5 Because ye have taken my silver and my gold, and have carried into your temples my
goodly pleasant things:*
6 The children also of Judah and the children of Jerusalem have ye sold unto the Grecians,
that ye might remove them far from their border.†
7 Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return
your recompence upon your own head:
8 And I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and
they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people far off: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.
9 ¶ Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the
men of war draw near; let them come up:‡
10 Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak
say, I *am* strong.§
11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round
about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD.**
12 Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will
I sit to judge all the heathen round about.
13 Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the
fats overflow; for their wickedness *is* great.
14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD *is* near in the
valley of decision.††
15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.
16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the
heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD *will be* the hope of his people, and the
strength of the children of Israel.‡‡
17 So shall ye know that I *am* the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain:
then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.§§
18 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the mountains shall drop down new wine,
and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a
fountain shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.***
19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence
against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land.
20 But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.†††
21 For I will cleanse their blood *that* I have not cleansed: for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.‡‡‡

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* **3:5** pleasant: Heb. desirable † **3:6** the Grecians: Heb. the sons of the Grecians ‡ **3:9** Prepare: Heb. Sanctify § **3:10** pruninghooks: or, scythes ** **3:11** cause...: or, the LORD shall bring down †† **3:14** decision: or, concision, or, threshing ‡‡ **3:16** hope: Heb. place of repair, or, harbour §§ **3:17** holy: Heb. holiness *** **3:18** flow: Heb. go ††† **3:20** dwell: or, abide ‡‡‡ **3:21** for the...: or, even I the LORD that

Amos

1 The words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, which he saw concerning
Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king
of Israel, two years before the earthquake.
2 And he said, The LORD will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the
habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.
3 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Damascus, and for four, I will not
turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they have threshed Gilead with threshing
instruments of iron:*†
4 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Ben-
hadad.
5 I will break also the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the plain of Aven,
and him that holdeth the sceptre from the house of Eden: and the people of Syria shall go
into captivity unto Kir, saith the LORD.‡§
6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Gaza, and for four, I will not turn
away *the punishment* thereof; because they carried away captive the whole captivity, to
deliver *them* up to Edom:**
7 But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces thereof:
8 And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre from
Ashkelon, and I will turn mine hand against Ekron: and the remnant of the Philistines shall
perish, saith the Lord GOD.
9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Tyrus, and for four, I will not turn
away *the punishment* thereof; because they delivered up the whole captivity to Edom, and
remembered not the brotherly covenant:††
10 But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.
11 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will not turn
away *the punishment* thereof; because he did pursue his brother with the sword, and did
cast off all pity, and his anger did tear perpetually, and he kept his wrath for ever:‡‡
12 But I will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.
13 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for
four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they have ripped up the women
with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border:§§
14 But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces thereof,
with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind:
15 And their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together, saith the LORD.

2

1 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Moab, and for four, I will not turn away
the punishment thereof; because he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:
2 But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kerioth: and Moab
shall die with tumult, with shouting, *and* with the sound of the trumpet:
3 And I will cut off the judge from the midst thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof
with him, saith the LORD.
4 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn
away *the punishment* thereof; because they have despised the law of the LORD, and have
not kept his commandments, and their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers
have walked:
5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.
6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn
away *the punishment* thereof; because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a
pair of shoes;
7 That pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way
of the meek: and a man and his father will go in unto the *same* maid, to profane my holy
name:*

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* **1:3** and...: or, yea, for four † **1:3** turn...: or, convert it, or, let it be quiet ‡ **1:5** the plain...: or, Bikathaven § **1:5** the house...: or, Beth-eden ** **1:6** away captive...: or, them away with an entire †† **1:9** the brotherly...: Heb. the covenant of brethren ‡‡ **1:11** did cast...: Heb. corrupted his compassions §§ **1:13** ripped...: or, divided the mountains * **2:7** maid: or, young woman

8 And they lay *themselves* down upon clothes laid to pledge by every altar, and they drink
the wine of the condemned *in* the house of their god.†
9 ¶ Yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height *was* like the height of the
cedars, and he *was* strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots
from beneath.
10 Also I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years through the
wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.
11 And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites. *Is it*
not even thus, O ye children of Israel? saith the LORD.
12 But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying,
Prophesy not.
13 Behold, I am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed *that is* full of sheaves.‡
14 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his
force, neither shall the mighty deliver himself:§
15 Neither shall he stand that handleth the bow; and *he that is* swift of foot shall not
deliver *himself:* neither shall he that rideth the horse deliver himself.
16 And *he that is* courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked in that day, saith
the LORD.**

3

1 Hear this word that the LORD hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the
whole family which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying,
2 You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will punish you for
all your iniquities.*
3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?
4 Will a lion roar in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion cry out of his den,
if he have taken nothing?†
5 Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin *is* for him? shall *one* take up a
snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?
6 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in
a city, and the LORD hath not done *it*?‡§
7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the
prophets.
8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but
prophesy?
9 ¶ Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say,
Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the great tumults in the
midst thereof, and the oppressed in the midst thereof.**
10 For they know not to do right, saith the LORD, who store up violence and robbery in
their palaces.††
11 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; An adversary *there shall be* even round about the
land; and he shall bring down thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.
12 Thus saith the LORD; As the shepherd taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or
a piece of an ear; so shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the
corner of a bed, and in Damascus *in* a couch.‡‡§§
13 Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord GOD, the God of hosts,
14 That in the day that I shall visit the transgressions of Israel upon him I will also visit
the altars of Beth-el: and the horns of the altar shall be cut off, and fall to the ground.***
15 And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of ivory shall
perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the LORD.

4

1 Hear this word, ye kine of Bashan, that *are* in the mountain of Samaria, which oppress
the poor, which crush the needy, which say to their masters, Bring, and let us drink.

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† **2:8** the condemned: or, such as have fined, or, mulcted ‡ **2:13** I am...: or, I will press your place, as a cart full of sheaves presseth § **2:14** himself: Heb. his soul, or, life ** **2:16** courageous: Heb. strong of his heart * **3:2** punish: Heb. visit upon † **3:4** cry: Heb. give forth his voice ‡ **3:6** be afraid: or, run together? § **3:6** the LORD...: or, shall not the LORD do somewhat? ** **3:9** oppressed: or, oppressions †† **3:10** robbery: or, spoil ‡‡ **3:12** taketh: Heb. delivereth §§ **3:12** in Damascus...: or, on the bed's feet *** **3:14** visit: or, punish Israel for

2 The Lord GOD hath sworn by his holiness, that, lo, the days shall come upon you, that
he will take you away with hooks, and your posterity with fishhooks.
3 And ye shall go out at the breaches, every *cow at that which is* before her; and ye shall
cast *them* into the palace, saith the LORD.*
4 ¶ Come to Beth-el, and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression; and bring your
sacrifices every morning, *and* your tithes after three years:†
5 And offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, and proclaim *and* publish the free
offerings: for this liketh you, O ye children of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.‡§
6 ¶ And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and want of bread in all
your places: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.
7 And also I have withholden the rain from you, when *there were* yet three months to the
harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it not to rain upon another city:
one piece was rained upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered.
8 So two *or* three cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but they were not
satisfied: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.
9 I have smitten you with blasting and mildew: when your gardens and your vineyards
and your fig trees and your olive trees increased, the palmerworm devoured *them:* yet
have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.**
10 I have sent among you the pestilence after the manner of Egypt: your young men have
I slain with the sword, and have taken away your horses; and I have made the stink of your
camps to come up unto your nostrils: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.††‡‡
11 I have overthrown *some* of you, as God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and ye were
as a firebrand plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the
LORD.
12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: *and* because I will do this unto thee, prepare
to meet thy God, O Israel.
13 For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man
what *is* his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places
of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, *is* his name.§§

5

1 Hear ye this word which I take up against you, *even* a lamentation, O house of Israel.
2 The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is forsaken upon her land; *there
is* none to raise her up.
3 For thus saith the Lord GOD; The city that went out *by* a thousand shall leave an
hundred, and that which went forth *by* an hundred shall leave ten, to the house of Israel.
4 ¶ For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, Seek ye me, and ye shall live:
5 But seek not Beth-el, nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall
surely go into captivity, and Beth-el shall come to nought.
6 Seek the LORD, and ye shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and
devour *it*, and *there be* none to quench *it* in Beth-el.
7 Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth,
8 *Seek him* that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into
the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea,
and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD *is* his name:
9 That strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against
the fortress.*
10 They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly.
11 Forasmuch therefore as your treading *is* upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens
of wheat: ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have
planted pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.†
12 For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins: they afflict the just,
they take a bribe, and they turn aside the poor in the gate *from their right*.‡
13 Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it *is* an evil time.
14 Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be
with you, as ye have spoken.

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* **4:3** cast...: or, cast away the things of the palace † **4:4** three...: Heb. three years of days ‡ **4:5** offer: Heb. offer by burning § **4:5** this...: Heb. so ye love ** **4:9** when...: or, the multitude of your gardens, etc. did the palmerworm †† **4:10** after...: or, in the way ‡‡ **4:10** and have...: Heb. with the captivity of your horses §§ **4:13** wind: or, spirit * **5:9** spoiled: Heb. spoil † **5:11** pleasant...: Heb. vineyards of desire ‡ **5:12** a bribe: or, a ransom

15 Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the
LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.
16 Therefore the LORD, the God of hosts, the Lord, saith thus; Wailing *shall be* in all streets;
and they shall say in all the highways, Alas! alas! and they shall call the husbandman to
mourning, and such as are skilful of lamentation to wailing.
17 And in all vineyards *shall be* wailing: for I will pass through thee, saith the LORD.
18 Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end *is* it for you? the day of the
LORD *is* darkness, and not light.
19 As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned
his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.
20 *Shall* not the day of the LORD *be* darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no
brightness in it?
21 ¶ I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not smell in your solemn assemblies.§
22 Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I will not accept *them:*
neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts.**
23 Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy
viols.
24 But let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.††
25 Have ye offered unto me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house
of Israel?
26 But ye have borne the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of
your god, which ye made to yourselves.‡‡
27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus, saith the LORD,
whose name *is* The God of hosts.

6

1 Woe to them *that are* at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, *which are*
named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!*†
2 Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go down
to Gath of the Philistines: *be they* better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than
your border?
3 Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near;‡
4 That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the
lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;§
5 That chant to the sound of the viol, *and* invent to themselves instruments of musick,
like David;**
6 That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they are
not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.††‡‡
7 ¶ Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of
them that stretched themselves shall be removed.
8 The Lord GOD hath sworn by himself, saith the LORD the God of hosts, I abhor the
excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces: therefore will I deliver up the city with all that is
therein.§§
9 And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house, that they shall die.
10 And a man's uncle shall take him up, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones
out of the house, and shall say unto him that *is* by the sides of the house, *Is there* yet *any*
with thee? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Hold thy tongue: for we may not make
mention of the name of the LORD.***
11 For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with breaches,
and the little house with clefts.†††
12 ¶ Shall horses run upon the rock? will *one* plow *there* with oxen? for ye have turned
judgment into gall, and the fruit of righteousness into hemlock:
13 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, Have we not taken to us horns by our
own strength?

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§ **5:21** in...: or, your holy days ** **5:22** peace...: or, thank offerings †† **5:24** run: Heb. roll ‡‡ **5:26** the tabernacle...: or, Siccuth your king * **6:1** are at...: or, are secure † **6:1** chief: or, firstfruits ‡ **6:3** seat: or, habitation § **6:4** stretch...: or, abound with superfluities ** **6:5** chant: or, quaver †† **6:6** wine...: or, in bowls of wine ‡‡ **6:6** affliction: Heb. breach §§ **6:8** that...: Heb. the fulness thereof *** **6:10** we...: or, they will not, or, have not ††† **6:11** breaches: or, droppings

14 But, behold, I will raise up against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD the
God of hosts; and they shall afflict you from the entering in of Hemath unto the river of the
wilderness.‡‡‡

7

1 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed grasshoppers in the
beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, *it was* the latter growth after the
king's mowings.*
2 And it came to pass, *that* when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then
I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he *is* small.†
3 The LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.
4 ¶ Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend
by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.
5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he *is*
small.‡
6 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.
7 ¶ Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the Lord stood upon a wall *made* by a plumbline,
with a plumbline in his hand.
8 And the LORD said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said
the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again
pass by them any more:
9 And the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid
waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.
10 ¶ Then Amaziah the priest of Beth-el sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos hath
conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his
words.
11 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led
away captive out of their own land.
12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah,
and there eat bread, and prophesy there:
13 But prophesy not again any more at Beth-el: for it *is* the king's chapel, and it *is* the
king's court.§**
14 ¶ Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, I *was* no prophet, neither *was* I a
prophet's son; but I *was* an herdman, and a gatherer of sycomore fruit:††
15 And the LORD took me as I followed the flock, and the LORD said unto me, Go, prophesy
unto my people Israel.‡‡
16 ¶ Now therefore hear thou the word of the LORD: Thou sayest, Prophesy not against
Israel, and drop not *thy word* against the house of Isaac.
17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and
thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be divided by line; and thou shalt
die in a polluted land: and Israel shall surely go into captivity forth of his land.

8

1 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of summer fruit.
2 And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of summer fruit. Then said
the LORD unto me, The end is come upon my people of Israel; I will not again pass by them
any more.
3 And the songs of the temple shall be howlings in that day, saith the Lord GOD: *there
shall be* many dead bodies in every place; they shall cast *them* forth with silence.*†
4 ¶ Hear this, O ye that swallow up the needy, even to make the poor of the land to fail,
5 Saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and the sabbath, that
we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and falsifying the
balances by deceit?‡§**
6 That we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes; *yea*, and sell the
refuse of the wheat?

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‡‡‡ **6:14** river: or, valley * **7:1** grasshoppers: or, green worms † **7:2** by...: or, who of (or, for,) Jacob shall stand? ‡ **7:5** by...: or, who of (or, for,) Jacob shall stand? § **7:13** chapel: or, sanctuary ** **7:13** king's court: Heb. house of the kingdom †† **7:14** sycomore...: or, wild figs ‡‡ **7:15** as...: Heb. from behind * **8:3** shall be howlings: Heb. shall howl † **8:3** with...: Heb. be silent ‡ **8:5** new...: or, month § **8:5** set...: Heb. open ** **8:5** falsifying...: Heb. perverting the balances of deceit

7 The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their
works.
8 Shall not the land tremble for this, and every one mourn that dwelleth therein? and it
shall rise up wholly as a flood; and it shall be cast out and drowned, as *by* the flood of Egypt.
9 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the sun to go
down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:
10 And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; and I
will bring up sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every head; and I will make it as
the mourning of an only *son*, and the end thereof as a bitter day.
11 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not
a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:
12 And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall
run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find *it*.
13 In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.
14 They that swear by the sin of Samaria, and say, Thy god, O Dan, liveth; and, The manner
of Beer-sheba liveth; even they shall fall, and never rise up again.[††]

9

1 I saw the Lord standing upon the altar: and he said, Smite the lintel of the door, that the
posts may shake: and cut them in the head, all of them; and I will slay the last of them with
the sword: he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not
be delivered.[*][†]
2 Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to
heaven, thence will I bring them down:
3 And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them
out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I
command the serpent, and he shall bite them:
4 And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will I command the
sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good.
5 And the Lord GOD of hosts *is* he that toucheth the land, and it shall melt, and all that
dwell therein shall mourn: and it shall rise up wholly like a flood; and shall be drowned,
as *by* the flood of Egypt.
6 *It is* he that buildeth his stories in the heaven, and hath founded his troop in the earth;
he that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth:
The LORD *is* his name.[‡][§]
7 *Are* ye not as children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of Israel? saith the LORD.
Have not I brought up Israel out of the land of Egypt? and the Philistines from Caphtor, and
the Syrians from Kir?
8 Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD *are* upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from
off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the
LORD.
9 For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as *corn*
is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth.[**][††]
10 All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say, The evil shall not
overtake nor prevent us.
11 ¶ In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the
breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old:[‡‡]
12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, which are called
by my name, saith the LORD that doeth this.[§§]
13 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper,
and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine,
and all the hills shall melt.[***][†††]
14 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the
waste cities, and inhabit *them;* and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof;
they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

[††] **8:14** manner: Heb. way [*] **9:1** lintel: or, chapiter, or, knop [†] **9:1** cut...: or, wound them [‡] **9:6** stories: or, spheres: Heb. ascensions [§] **9:6** troop: or, bundle [**] **9:9** sift: Heb. cause to move [††] **9:9** grain: Heb. stone [‡‡] **9:11** close: Heb. hedge, or, wall [§§] **9:12** which...: Heb. upon whom my name is called [***] **9:13** soweth: Heb. draweth forth [†††] **9:13** sweet: or, new

15 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their
land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God.

Obadiah

1 The vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom; We have heard a
rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen, Arise ye, and let
us rise up against her in battle.
2 Behold, I have made thee small among the heathen: thou art greatly despised.
3 ¶ The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock,
whose habitation *is* high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?
4 Though thou exalt *thyself* as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars,
thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.
5 If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (how art thou cut off!) would they not have
stolen till they had enough? if the grapegatherers came to thee, would they not leave *some*
grapes?*
6 How are *the things* of Esau searched out! *how* are his hidden things sought up!
7 All the men of thy confederacy have brought thee *even* to the border: the men that were
at peace with thee have deceived thee, *and* prevailed against thee; *they that eat* thy bread
have laid a wound under thee: *there is* none understanding in him.†‡§
8 Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD, even destroy the wise *men* out of Edom, and
understanding out of the mount of Esau?
9 And thy mighty *men*, O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that every one of the mount
of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.
10 ¶ For *thy* violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be
cut off for ever.
11 In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried
away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem,
even thou *wast* as one of them.**
12 But thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became
a stranger; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the children of Judah in the day of
their destruction; neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress.††
13 Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity;
yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have
laid *hands* on their substance in the day of their calamity;‡‡
14 Neither shouldest thou have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did
escape; neither shouldest thou have delivered up those of his that did remain in the day
of distress.§§
15 For the day of the LORD *is* near upon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done
unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own head.
16 For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain, *so* shall all the heathen drink
continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall swallow down, and they shall be as though
they had not been.***
17 ¶ But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house
of Jacob shall possess their possessions.†††‡‡‡
18 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house
of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be
any remaining of the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken *it*.
19 And *they of* the south shall possess the mount of Esau; and *they of* the plain the
Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and
Benjamin *shall possess* Gilead.
20 And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel *shall possess* that of the
Canaanites, *even* unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which *is* in Sepharad,
shall possess the cities of the south.§§§
21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the
kingdom shall be the LORD's.

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* **1:5** some...: or, gleanings? † **1:7** that were...: Heb. of thy peace ‡ **1:7** they...: Heb. the men of thy bread § **1:7** in him: or, of it ** **1:11** captive...: or, his substance †† **1:12** spoken...: Heb. magnified thy mouth ‡‡ **1:13** substance: or, forces §§ **1:14** delivered up: or, shut up *** **1:16** swallow...: or, sup up ††† **1:17** deliverance: or, they that escape ‡‡‡ **1:17** there...: or, it shall be holy §§§ **1:20** which...: or, shall possess that which is in

Jonah

1 Now the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,*
2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up
before me.
3 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, and went down
to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down
into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.
4 ¶ But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in
the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken.†‡
5 Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and cast forth the
wares that *were* in the ship into the sea, to lighten *it* of them. But Jonah was gone down
into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.
6 So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise,
call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not.
7 And they said every one to his fellow, Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for
whose cause this evil *is* upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.
8 Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this evil *is* upon us;
What *is* thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what *is* thy country? and of what
people *art* thou?
9 And he said unto them, I *am* an Hebrew; and I fear the LORD, the God of heaven, which
hath made the sea and the dry *land.*§
10 Then were the men exceedingly afraid, and said unto him, Why hast thou done this?
For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.**
11 ¶ Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto thee, that the sea may be calm unto
us? for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous.††‡‡
12 And he said unto them, Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be
calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest *is* upon you.
13 Nevertheless the men rowed hard to bring *it* to the land; but they could not: for the sea
wrought, and was tempestuous against them.§§***
14 Wherefore they cried unto the LORD, and said, We beseech thee, O LORD, we beseech
thee, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood: for thou, O
LORD, hast done as it pleased thee.
15 So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea ceased from her
raging.†††
16 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and offered a sacrifice unto the LORD, and
made vows.‡‡‡
17 ¶ Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the
belly of the fish three days and three nights.§§§

2

1 Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,
2 And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of
the belly of hell cried I, *and* thou heardest my voice.*†
3 For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the midst of the seas; and the floods compassed
me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.‡
4 Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple.
5 The waters compassed me about, *even* to the soul: the depth closed me round about,
the weeds were wrapped about my head.
6 I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars *was* about me for
ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LORD my God.§**

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* **1:1** Jonah: Gr. Jonas † **1:4** sent out: Heb. cast forth ‡ **1:4** was like...: Heb. thought to be broken § **1:9** the LORD: or, JEHOVAH ** **1:10** exceedingly...: Heb. with great fear †† **1:11** may...: Heb. may be silent from us ‡‡ **1:11** wrought...: or, grew more and more tempestuous: Heb. went §§ **1:13** rowed: Heb. digged *** **1:13** wrought...: or, grew more and more tempestuous: Heb. went ††† **1:15** ceased: Heb. stood ‡‡‡ **1:16** offered...: Heb. sacrifice unto the LORD, and vowed vows §§§ **1:17** belly: Heb. bowels * **2:2** by...: or, out of mine affliction † **2:2** hell: or, the grave ‡ **2:3** midst: Heb. heart § **2:6** bottoms: Heb. cuttings off ** **2:6** corruption: or, the pit

7 When my soul fainted within me I remembered the LORD: and my prayer came in unto
thee, into thine holy temple.
8 They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.
9 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay *that* that I have
vowed. Salvation *is* of the LORD.
10 ¶ And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry *land*.

3

1 And the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying,
2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.
3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now
Nineveh was an exceeding great city of three days' journey.*
4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty
days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.
5 ¶ So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth,
from the greatest of them even to the least of them.
6 For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his
robe from him, and covered *him* with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.
7 And he caused *it* to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the
king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let
them not feed, nor drink water:†‡
8 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let
them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that *is* in their hands.
9 Who can tell *if* God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we
perish not?
10 ¶ And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of
the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did *it* not.

4

1 But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.
2 And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, *was* not this my saying,
when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou
art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee
of the evil.
3 Therefore now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for *it is* better for me to
die than to live.
4 ¶ Then said the LORD, Doest thou well to be angry?*
5 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a
booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.
6 And the LORD God prepared a gourd, and made *it* to come up over Jonah, that it might
be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah was exceeding glad of
the gourd.†‡
7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd
that it withered.
8 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a vehement east wind;
and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and
said, *It is* better for me to die than to live.§
9 And God said to Jonah, Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well
to be angry, *even* unto death.**††
10 Then said the LORD, Thou hast had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not
laboured, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night:‡‡§§
11 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore
thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and
also much cattle?

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* **3:3** exceeding: Heb. of God † **3:7** published: Heb. said ‡ **3:7** nobles: Heb. great men * **4:4** Doest...: or, Art thou greatly angry? † **4:6** gourd: or, palmcrist: Heb. Kikajon ‡ **4:6** was...: Heb. rejoiced with great joy § **4:8** vehement: or, silent ** **4:9** Doest...: or, Art thou greatly angry? †† **4:9** I do well...: or, I am greatly angry ‡‡ **4:10** had pity: or, spared §§ **4:10** came...: Heb. was the son of the night

Micah

1 The word of the LORD that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz,
and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.
2 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD be
witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.*†
3 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread
upon the high places of the earth.
4 And the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax
before the fire, *and* as the waters *that are* poured down a steep place.‡
5 For the transgression of Jacob *is* all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What *is*
the transgression of Jacob? *is it* not Samaria? and what *are* the high places of Judah? *are*
they not Jerusalem?
6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, *and* as plantings of a vineyard:
and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations
thereof.
7 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof
shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered
it of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.
8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like
the dragons, and mourning as the owls.§
9 For her wound *is* incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my
people, *even* to Jerusalem.**
10 ¶ Declare ye *it* not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of Aphrah roll thyself in the
dust.††
11 Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant
of Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Beth-ezel; he shall receive of you his
standing.‡‡§§***†††
12 For the inhabitant of Maroth waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the
LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem.‡‡‡§§§
13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she *is* the beginning
of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.*
14 Therefore shalt thou give presents to Moresheth-gath: the houses of Achzib *shall be* a
lie to the kings of Israel.†‡
15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: he shall come unto
Adullam the glory of Israel.§**
16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the
eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

2

1 Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is
light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.
2 And they covet fields, and take *them* by violence; and houses, and take *them* away: so
they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.*
3 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from
which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time *is* evil.
4 ¶ In that day shall *one* take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful
lamentation, *and* say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people:
how hath he removed *it* from me! turning away he hath divided our fields.†‡

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* **1:2** all ye...: Heb. ye people, all of them † **1:2** all that...: Heb. the fulness thereof ‡ **1:4** a steep...: Heb. a descent § **1:8** owls: Heb. daughters of the owl ** **1:9** her...: or, she is grievously sick of her wounds †† **1:10** Aphrah: that is, Dust ‡‡ **1:11** thou...: or, thou that dwellest fairly §§ **1:11** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress *** **1:11** Zaanan: or, The country of flocks ††† **1:11** Beth-ezel: or, A place near ‡‡‡ **1:12** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress §§§ **1:12** waited...: or, was grieved * **1:13** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress † **1:14** to...: or, for Moresheth-gath ‡ **1:14** Achzib: that is, A lie § **1:15** inhabitant: Heb. inhabitress ** **1:15** he...: or, the glory of Israel shall, etc * **2:2** oppress: or, defraud † **2:4** a doleful...: Heb. a lamentation of lamentations ‡ **2:4** turning...: or, instead of restoring

5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the
LORD.
6 Prophesy ye not, *say they to them that* prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, *that*
they shall not take shame.§
7 ¶ O *thou that art* named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the LORD straitened? *are*
these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh uprightly?**††
8 Even of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment
from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.‡‡§§
9 The women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their
children have ye taken away my glory for ever.***
10 Arise ye, and depart; for this *is* not *your* rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy *you*,
even with a sore destruction.
11 If a man walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, *saying*, I will prophesy unto thee of
wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.†††
12 ¶ I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel;
I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they
shall make great noise by reason of *the multitude of* men.
13 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through
the gate, and are gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the LORD on the
head of them.

3

1 And I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel; *Is it*
not for you to know judgment?
2 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their
flesh from off their bones;
3 Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break
their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.
4 Then shall they cry unto the LORD, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face
from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.
5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that make my people err, that bite with
their teeth, and cry, Peace; and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare
war against him.
6 Therefore night *shall be* unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark
unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day
shall be dark over them.*†
7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover
their lips; for *there is* no answer of God.‡
8 ¶ But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might,
to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.
9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel,
that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.
10 They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.§
11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the
prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the LORD, and say, *Is* not the
LORD among us? none evil can come upon us.**
12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed *as* a field, and Jerusalem shall become
heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.

4

1 But in the last days it shall come to pass, *that* the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and
people shall flow unto it.
2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the
LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we

§ **2:6** Prophesy ye...: or, Prophesy not as they prophesy: Heb. Drop, etc ** **2:7** straitened: or, shortened? †† **2:7** uprightly: Heb. upright? ‡‡ **2:8** of late: Heb. yesterday §§ **2:8** with the: Heb. over against a *** **2:9** women: or, wives ††† **2:11** walking...: or, walk with the wind, and lie falsely * **3:6** that...: vision: Heb. from a vision † **3:6** that...: divine: Heb. from divining ‡ **3:7** lips: Heb. upper lip § **3:10** blood: Heb. bloods ** **3:11** and say: Heb. saying

will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from
Jerusalem.
3 ¶ And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they
shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall
not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.*
4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make
them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken *it*.
5 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name
of the LORD our God for ever and ever.
6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is
driven out, and her that I have afflicted;
7 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation:
and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.
8 ¶ And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall
it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.
9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? *is there* no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished?
for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.
10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for
now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go
even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the
hand of thine enemies.
11 ¶ Now also many nations are gathered against thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let
our eye look upon Zion.
12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for
he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.
13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make
thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain
unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

5

1 Now gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they
shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.
2 But thou, Beth-lehem Ephratah, *though* thou be little among the thousands of Judah, *yet*
out of thee shall he come forth unto me *that is* to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth *have*
been from of old, from everlasting.*
3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time *that* she which travaileth hath brought
forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.
4 ¶ And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name
of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the
earth.†
5 And this *man* shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when
he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight
principal men.‡
6 And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the
entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver *us* from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our
land, and when he treadeth within our borders.§**
7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst of many people as a dew from the LORD,
as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.
8 ¶ And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as
a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of sheep: who, if he
go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.††
9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut
off.
10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of
the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:
11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:
12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no *more*
soothsayers:

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* **4:3** pruninghooks: or, scythes * **5:2** everlasting: Heb. the days of eternity † **5:4** feed: or, rule ‡ **5:5** principal: Heb. princes of § **5:6** waste: Heb. eat up ** **5:6** in the...: or, with her own naked swords †† **5:8** sheep: or, goats

13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee;
and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.‡‡
14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy cities.§§
15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have
not heard.

6

1 Hear ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou before the mountains, and let
the hills hear thy voice.*
2 Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth:
for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.
3 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify
against me.
4 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of
servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.
5 O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the
son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness
of the LORD.
6 ¶ Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, *and* bow myself before the high God? shall
I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old?†
7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, *or* with ten thousands of rivers of
oil? shall I give my firstborn *for* my transgression, the fruit of my body *for* the sin of my
soul?‡
8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what *is* good; and what doth the LORD require of thee,
but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?§
9 The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and *the man of* wisdom shall see thy name: hear
ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.**
10 ¶ Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant
measure *that is* abominable?††‡‡
11 Shall I count *them* pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful
weights?§§
12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken
lies, and their tongue *is* deceitful in their mouth.
13 Therefore also will I make *thee* sick in smiting thee, in making *thee* desolate because
of thy sins.
14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down *shall be* in the midst of thee;
and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and *that* which thou deliverest will I give up
to the sword.
15 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not
anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.
16 ¶ For the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye
walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof
an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.***†††

7

1 Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grapeglean-
ings of the vintage: *there is* no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.*
2 The good *man* is perished out of the earth: and *there is* none upright among men: they
all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.†
3 ¶ That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge
asketh for a reward; and the great *man*, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap
it up.‡
4 The best of them *is* as a brier: the most upright *is sharper* than a thorn hedge: the day
of thy watchmen *and* thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

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‡‡ **5:13** standing...: or, statues §§ **5:14** cities: or, enemies * **6:1** before: or, with † **6:6** of a...: Heb. sons of a year? ‡ **6:7** body: Heb. belly § **6:8** walk...: Heb. humble thyself to walk ** **6:9** the man...: or, thy name shall see that which is †† **6:10** Are...: or, Is there yet unto every man an house of the, etc ‡‡ **6:10** scant...: Heb. measure of leanness §§ **6:11** count...: or, be pure with, etc *** **6:16** For the...: or, For he doth much keep the, etc ††† **6:16** desolation: or, astonishment * **7:1** when...: Heb. the gatherings of summer † **7:2** good: or, godly, or, merciful ‡ **7:3** his...: Heb. the mischief of his soul

5 ¶ Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth
from her that lieth in thy bosom.
6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the
daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies *are* the men of his own house.
7 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will
hear me.
8 ¶ Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness,
the LORD *shall be* a light unto me.
9 I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he
plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, *and* I
shall behold his righteousness.
10 Then *she that is* mine enemy shall see *it*, and shame shall cover her which said unto
me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden
down as the mire of the streets.§**
11 *In* the day that thy walls are to be built, *in* that day shall the decree be far removed.
12 *In* that day *also* he shall come even to thee from Assyria, and *from* the fortified
cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and *from* mountain to
mountain.††
13 Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the
fruit of their doings.‡‡
14 ¶ Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily *in* the
wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed *in* Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.§§
15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him
marvellous *things*.
16 ¶ The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay *their* hand
upon *their* mouth, their ears shall be deaf.
17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like worms of
the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.***
18 Who *is* a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression
of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth
in mercy.
19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities;
and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.
20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, *and* the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast
sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.

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§ **7:10** Then...: or, And thou wilt see her that is mine enemy, and cover her with shame ** **7:10** shall she...: Heb. she shall be for a treading down †† **7:12** and from the fortified cities: or, even to the fortified cities ‡‡ **7:13** Notwithstanding: or, After that it hath been §§ **7:14** Feed: or, Rule *** **7:17** worms: or, creeping things

Nahum

1 The burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.
2 God *is* jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and *is* furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth *wrath* for his enemies.*†
3 The LORD *is* slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit *the wicked:* the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds *are* the dust of his feet.
4 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.
5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.
6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.‡
7 The LORD *is* good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.§
8 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.
9 What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.
10 For while *they be* folden together *as* thorns, and while they are drunken *as* drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.
11 There is *one* come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor.**
12 Thus saith the LORD; Though *they be* quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.††‡‡
13 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.
14 And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, *that* no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.
15 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.§§***

2

1 He that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make *thy* loins strong, fortify *thy* power mightily.*
2 For the LORD hath turned away the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.†
3 The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men *are* in scarlet: the chariots *shall be* with flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.‡§
4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall justle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.**
5 He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defence shall be prepared.††‡‡
6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved.§§

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* **1:2** God...: or, The LORD is a jealous God, and a revenger, etc † **1:2** is furious: Heb. that hath fury ‡ **1:6** abide: Heb. stand up § **1:7** strong hold: or, strength ** **1:11** a wicked...: Heb. a counsellor of Belial †† **1:12** Though...: or, If they would have been at peace, so should they have been many, and so should they have been shorn, and he should have passed away ‡‡ **1:12** cut down: Heb. shorn §§ **1:15** keep...: Heb. feast *** **1:15** the wicked: Heb. Belial * **2:1** He...: or, The disperser, or, hammer † **2:2** the excellency of Jacob...: or, the pride of Jacob as the pride, etc ‡ **2:3** in scarlet: or, dyed scarlet § **2:3** flaming: or, fiery ** **2:4** they: Heb. their show †† **2:5** worthies: or, gallants ‡‡ **2:5** defence: Heb. covering, or, coverer §§ **2:6** dissolved: or, molten

7 And Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead
her as with the voice of doves, tabering upon their breasts.***†††
8 But Nineveh *is* of old like a pool of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, *shall*
they cry; but none shall look back.‡‡‡§§§
9 Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold: for *there is* none end of the store *and*
glory out of all the pleasant furniture.*†
10 She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together,
and much pain *is* in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.
11 Where *is* the dwelling of the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the
lion, *even* the old lion, walked, *and* the lion's whelp, and none made *them* afraid?
12 The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and
filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.
13 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the
smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the
earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.

3

1 Woe to the bloody city! it *is* all full of lies *and* robbery; the prey departeth not;*
2 The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the pransing
horses, and of the jumping chariots.
3 The horseman lifteth up both the bright sword and the glittering spear: and *there is* a
multitude of slain, and a great number of carcases; and *there is* none end of *their* corpses;
they stumble upon their corpses:†
4 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress
of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her
witchcrafts.
5 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon
thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.
6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a
gazingstock.
7 And it shall come to pass, *that* all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say,
Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?
8 Art thou better than populous No, that was situate among the rivers, *that had* the waters
round about it, whose rampart *was* the sea, *and* her wall *was* from the sea?‡
9 Ethiopia and Egypt *were* her strength, and *it was* infinite; Put and Lubim were thy
helpers.§
10 Yet *was* she carried away, she went into captivity: her young children also were dashed
in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her
great men were bound in chains.
11 Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of
the enemy.
12 All thy strong holds *shall be like* fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they
shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.
13 Behold, thy people in the midst of thee *are* women: the gates of thy land shall be set
wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.
14 Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into clay, and tread the
morter, make strong the brickkiln.
15 There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the
cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.
16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm
spoileth, and flieth away.**
17 Thy crowned *are* as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which
camp in the hedges in the cold day, *but* when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their
place is not known where they *are*.

*** **2:7** Huzzab: or, that which was established, or, there was a stand made ††† **2:7** led...: or, discovered ‡‡‡ **2:8** of old: or, from the days that she hath been §§§ **2:8** look back: or, cause them to turn * **2:9** for...: or, and their infinite store, etc † **2:9** pleasant...: Heb. vessels of desire * **3:1** bloody...: Heb. city of bloods † **3:3** the bright...: Heb. the flame of the sword, and the lightning of the spear ‡ **3:8** populous...: or, nourishing, etc: Heb. No Amon § **3:9** thy helpers: Heb. in thy help ** **3:16** spoileth: or, spreadeth himself

18 Thy shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall dwell *in the dust:* thy people
is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth *them.*[††]
19 *There is* no healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the bruit of
thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed
continually?[‡‡]

[††] **3:18** nobles: or, valiant ones [‡‡] **3:19** healing: Heb. wrinkling

Habakkuk

1 The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.
2 O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! *even* cry out unto thee *of* violence, and thou wilt not save!
3 Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause *me* to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence *are* before me: and there are *that* raise up strife and contention.
4 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.*
5 ¶ Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvellously: for *I* will work a work in your days, *which* ye will not believe, though it be told *you*.
6 For, lo, I raise up the Chaldeans, *that* bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the breadth of the land, to possess the dwellingplaces *that are* not theirs.†
7 They *are* terrible and dreadful: their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves.‡
8 Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are more fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the eagle *that* hasteth to eat.§
9 They shall come all for violence: their faces shall sup up *as* the east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand.**
10 And they shall scoff at the kings, and the princes shall be a scorn unto them: they shall deride every strong hold; for they shall heap dust, and take it.
11 Then shall *his* mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend, *imputing* this his power unto his god.
12 ¶ *Art* thou not from everlasting, O LORD my God, mine Holy One? we shall not die. O LORD, thou hast ordained them for judgment; and, O mighty God, thou hast established them for correction.††‡‡
13 *Thou art* of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, *and* holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth *the man that is* more righteous than he?§§
14 And makest men as the fishes of the sea, as the creeping things, *that have* no ruler over them?***
15 They take up all of them with the angle, they catch them in their net, and gather them in their drag: therefore they rejoice and are glad.†††
16 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto their drag; because by them their portion *is* fat, and their meat plenteous.‡‡‡
17 Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

2

1 I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reproved.*†‡
2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make *it* plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.
3 For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.
4 Behold, his soul *which* is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.
5 ¶ Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, *he is* a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and *is* as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people:§

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* **1:4** wrong: or, wrested † **1:6** breadth: Heb. breadths ‡ **1:7** their judgment...: or, from them shall proceed the judgment of these, and the captivity of these § **1:8** fierce: Heb. sharp ** **1:9** their...: or, the supping up of their faces, etc: or, their faces shall look (Heb. the opposition of their faces) toward the east †† **1:12** mighty...: Heb. rock ‡‡ **1:12** established: Heb. founded §§ **1:13** iniquity: or, grievance *** **1:14** creeping: or, moving ††† **1:15** drag: or, flue net ‡‡‡ **1:16** plenteous: or, dainty: Heb. fat * **2:1** tower: Heb. fenced place † **2:1** unto me: or, in me ‡ **2:1** when...: or, when I am argued with: Heb. upon my reproof, or, arguing § **2:5** Yea...: or, How much more

6 Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him,
and say, Woe to him that increaseth *that which is* not his! how long? and to him that ladeth
himself with thick clay!**
7 Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite thee, and awake that shall vex thee, and
thou shalt be for booties unto them?
8 Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee;
because of men's blood, and *for* the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell
therein.††
9 ¶ Woe to him that coveteth an evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest
on high, that he may be delivered from the power of evil!‡‡§§
10 Thou hast consulted shame to thy house by cutting off many people, and hast sinned
against thy soul.
11 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer
it.***†††
12 ¶ Woe to him that buildeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity!‡‡‡
13 Behold, *is it* not of the LORD of hosts that the people shall labour in the very fire, and
the people shall weary themselves for very vanity?§§§
14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters
cover the sea.*
15 ¶ Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to *him*, and
makest *him* drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness!
16 Thou art filled with shame for glory: drink thou also, and let thy foreskin be
uncovered: the cup of the LORD's right hand shall be turned unto thee, and shameful
spewing *shall be* on thy glory.†
17 For the violence of Lebanon shall cover thee, and the spoil of beasts, *which* made them
afraid, because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that
dwell therein.
18 ¶ What profiteth the graven image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the molten
image, and a teacher of lies, that the maker of his work trusteth therein, to make dumb
idols?‡
19 Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach!
Behold, it *is* laid over with gold and silver, and *there is* no breath at all in the midst of it.
20 But the LORD *is* in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him.§

3

1 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon Shigionoth.*
2 O LORD, I have heard thy speech, *and* was afraid: O LORD, revive thy work in the midst
of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.†‡
3 God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered
the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.§
4 And *his* brightness was as the light; he had horns *coming* out of his hand: and there *was*
the hiding of his power.**
5 Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at his feet.††
6 He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and
the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways *are*
everlasting.
7 I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction: *and* the curtains of the land of Midian did
tremble.‡‡§§
8 Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? *was* thine anger against the rivers?
was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses *and* thy chariots of
salvation?***

** **2:6** Woe...: or, Ho, he †† **2:8** blood: Heb. bloods ‡‡ **2:9** coveteth...: or, gaineth and evil gain §§ **2:9** power...: Heb. palm of the hand *** **2:11** beam: or, piece, or, fastening ††† **2:11** answer it: or, witness against it ‡‡‡ **2:12** blood: Heb. bloods §§§ **2:13** for...: or, in vain? * **2:14** with...: or, by knowing the glory † **2:16** with...: or, more with shame than with glory ‡ **2:18** maker of...: Heb. fashioner of his fashion § **2:20** let...: Heb. be silent all the earth before him * **3:1** upon...: or, according to variable songs, or, tunes, called in Hebrew, Shigionoth † **3:2** speech: Heb. report, or, hearing ‡ **3:2** revive: or, preserve alive § **3:3** Teman: or, the south ** **3:4** horns...: or, bright beams out of his side †† **3:5** coals: or, diseases ‡‡ **3:7** Cushan: or, Ethiopia §§ **3:7** in...: or, under affliction, or, vanity *** **3:8** of...: or, were salvation?

9 Thy bow was made quite naked, *according* to the oaths of the tribes, *even thy* word.
Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers.[†††]
10 The mountains saw thee, *and* they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by:
the deep uttered his voice, *and* lifted up his hands on high.
11 The sun *and* moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went,
and at the shining of thy glittering spear.[‡‡‡]
12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in
anger.
13 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, *even* for salvation with thine
anointed; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the
foundation unto the neck. Selah.[§§§]
14 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a
whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing *was* as to devour the poor secretly.[*]
15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, *through* the heap of great waters.[†]
16 When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered
into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he
cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops.[‡]
17 ¶ Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour
of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the
fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls:[§]
18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.
19 The LORD God *is* my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' *feet*, and he
will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed
instruments.[**][††]

[†††] **3:9** earth...: or, rivers of the earth [‡‡‡] **3:11** at the light...: or, thine arrows walked in the light [§§§] **3:13** by...: Heb. making naked [*] **3:14** came...: Heb. were tempestuous [†] **3:15** heap: or, mud [‡] **3:16** invade...: or, cut them in pieces [§] **3:17** fail: Heb. lie [**] **3:19** chief...: or, overseer [††] **3:19** stringed...: Heb. Neginoth

Zephaniah

1 The word of the LORD which came unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah,
the son of Amariah, the son of Hizkiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.
2 I will utterly consume all *things* from off the land, saith the LORD.*†
3 I will consume man and beast; I will consume the fowls of the heaven, and the fishes of
the sea, and the stumblingblocks with the wicked; and I will cut off man from off the land,
saith the LORD.‡
4 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem;
and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, *and* the name of the Chemarims with
the priests;
5 And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship
and that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham;§
6 And them that are turned back from the LORD; and *those* that have not sought the
LORD, nor enquired for him.
7 Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD *is* at hand: for
the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath bid his guests.**
8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD's sacrifice, that I will punish the princes,
and the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.††
9 In the same day also will I punish all those that leap on the threshold, which fill their
masters' houses with violence and deceit.
10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, *that there shall be* the noise of a
cry from the fish gate, and an howling from the second, and a great crashing from the hills.
11 Howl, ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are cut down; all they
that bear silver are cut off.
12 And it shall come to pass at that time, *that* I will search Jerusalem with candles, and
punish the men that are settled on their lees: that say in their heart, The LORD will not do
good, neither will he do evil.‡‡
13 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they shall
also build houses, but not inhabit *them;* and they shall plant vineyards, but not drink the
wine thereof.
14 The great day of the LORD *is* near, *it is* near, and hasteth greatly, *even* the voice of
the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.
15 That day *is* a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and
desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.
17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they
have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh
as the dung.
18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD's
wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make
even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

2

1 Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not desired;*
2 Before the decree bring forth, *before* the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger
of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORD's anger come upon you.
3 Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek
righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD's anger.
4 ¶ For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at
the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.
5 Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of
the LORD *is* against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that
there shall be no inhabitant.
6 And the sea coast shall be dwellings *and* cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks.

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* **1:2** I will...: Heb. By taking away I will make an end † **1:2** the land: Heb. the face of the land ‡ **1:3** stumblingblocks: or, idols § **1:5** by the...: or, to the LORD ** **1:7** bid: Heb. sanctified, or, prepared †† **1:8** punish: Heb. visit upon ‡‡ **1:12** settled: Heb. curded, or, thickened * **2:1** not...: or, not desirous

7 And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon:
in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: for the LORD their God shall
visit them, and turn away their captivity.†
8 ¶ I have heard the reproach of Moab, and the revilings of the children of Ammon,
whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified *themselves* against their border.
9 Therefore *as* I live, saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as
Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, *even* the breeding of nettles, and saltpits,
and a perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them, and the remnant of
my people shall possess them.
10 This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified
themselves against the people of the LORD of hosts.
11 The LORD *will be* terrible unto them: for he will famish all the gods of the earth; and
men shall worship him, every one from his place, *even* all the isles of the heathen.‡
12 ¶ Ye Ethiopians also, ye *shall be* slain by my sword.
13 And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy Assyria; and will make
Nineveh a desolation, *and* dry like a wilderness.
14 And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, all the beasts of the nations: both the
cormorant and the bittern shall lodge in the upper lintels of it; *their* voice shall sing in the
windows; desolation *shall be* in the thresholds: for he shall uncover the cedar work.§**††
15 This *is* the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, that said in her heart, I *am*, and *there is*
none beside me: how is she become a desolation, a place for beasts to lie down in! every
one that passeth by her shall hiss, *and* wag his hand.

3

1 Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!*
2 She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in the LORD; she
drew not near to her God.†
3 Her princes within her *are* roaring lions; her judges *are* evening wolves; they gnaw not
the bones till the morrow.
4 Her prophets *are* light *and* treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctu-
ary, they have done violence to the law.
5 The just LORD *is* in the midst thereof; he will not do iniquity: every morning doth he
bring his judgment to light, he faileth not; but the unjust knoweth no shame.‡
6 I have cut off the nations: their towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that
none passeth by: their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none
inhabitant.§
7 I said, Surely thou wilt fear me, thou wilt receive instruction; so their dwelling should
not be cut off, howsoever I punished them: but they rose early, *and* corrupted all their
doings.
8 ¶ Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey:
for my determination *is* to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour
upon them mine indignation, *even* all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured
with the fire of my jealousy.
9 For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name
of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.**††
10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, *even* the daughter of my dispersed,
shall bring mine offering.
11 In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast trans-
gressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice
in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of my holy mountain.‡‡
12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust
in the name of the LORD.
13 The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful
tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make
them afraid.

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† **2:7** for the LORD: or, when, etc ‡ **2:11** famish: Heb. make lean § **2:14** cormorant: or, pelican ** **2:14** upper...: or, knops, or, chapiters †† **2:14** for...: or, when he hath uncovered * **3:1** her...: or, gluttonous: Heb. craw † **3:2** correction: or, instruction ‡ **3:5** every...: Heb. morning by morning § **3:6** towers: or, corners ** **3:9** language: Heb. lip †† **3:9** consent: Heb. shoulder ‡‡ **3:11** because...: Heb. in my holy

14 ¶ Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O
daughter of Jerusalem.
15 The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of
Israel, *even* the LORD, *is* in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.
16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: *and to* Zion, Let not thine hands
be slack.§§
17 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee *is* mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee
with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.***
18 I will gather *them that are* sorrowful for the solemn assembly, *who* are of thee, *to whom*
the reproach of it *was* a burden.†††
19 Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and
gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where
they have been put to shame.‡‡‡§§§
20 At that time will I bring you *again*, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make
you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity
before your eyes, saith the LORD.

§§ **3:16** slack: or, faint *** **3:17** rest: Heb. be silent ††† **3:18** reproach...: Heb. the burden upon it was reproach
‡‡‡ **3:19** get...: Heb. set them for a praise §§§ **3:19** where...: Heb. of their shame

Haggai

1 In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, saying, *†
2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built.
3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,
4 *Is it* time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house *lie* waste?
5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.‡
6 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages *to put it* into a bag with holes.§
7 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.**
8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.
9 Ye looked for much, and, lo, *it came* to little; and when ye brought *it* home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of mine house that *is* waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.††
10 Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed *from* her fruit.
11 And I called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon *that* which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.
12 ¶ Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people did fear before the LORD.
13 Then spake Haggai the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message unto the people, saying, I *am* with you, saith the LORD.
14 And the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God,
15 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

2

1 In the seventh *month*, in the one and twentieth *day* of the month, came the word of the LORD by the prophet Haggai, saying, *
2 Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,
3 Who *is* left among you that saw this house in her first glory? and how do ye see it now? *is it* not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?
4 Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the LORD, and work: for I *am* with you, saith the LORD of hosts:
5 *According to* the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.
6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it *is* a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry *land;*
7 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.
8 The silver *is* mine, and the gold *is* mine, saith the LORD of hosts.
9 The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.

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* **1:1** by: Heb. by the hand of † **1:1** governor: or, captain ‡ **1:5** Consider...: Heb. Set your heart on your ways § **1:6** with holes: Heb. pierced through ** **1:7** Consider...: Heb. Set your heart on your ways †† **1:9** blow...: or, blow it away * **2:1** by: Heb. by the hand of

10 ¶ In the four and twentieth *day* of the ninth *month*, in the second year of Darius, came
the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,
11 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ask now the priests *concerning* the law, saying,
12 If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or
pottage, or wine, or oil, or any meat, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said,
No.
13 Then said Haggai, If *one that is* unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be
unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean.
14 Then answered Haggai, and said, So *is* this people, and so *is* this nation before me, saith
the LORD; and so *is* every work of their hands; and that which they offer there *is* unclean.
15 And now, I pray you, consider from this day and upward, from before a stone was laid
upon a stone in the temple of the LORD:
16 Since those *days* were, when *one* came to an heap of twenty *measures*, there were *but*
ten: when *one* came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty *vessels* out of the press, there were
but twenty.
17 I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your
hands; yet ye *turned* not to me, saith the LORD.
18 Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth
month, even from the day that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, consider *it*.
19 Is the seed yet in the barn? yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate,
and the olive tree, hath not brought forth: from this day will I bless *you*.
20 ¶ And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth *day* of
the month, saying,
21 Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth;
22 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the
kingdoms of the heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them;
and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.
23 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son
of Shealtiel, saith the LORD, and will make thee as a signet: for I have chosen thee, saith
the LORD of hosts.

Zechariah

1 In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto
Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,
2 The LORD hath been sore displeased with your fathers.*
3 Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye unto me, saith the
LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.
4 Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith
the LORD of hosts; Turn ye now from your evil ways, and *from* your evil doings: but they
did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith the LORD.
5 Your fathers, where *are* they? and the prophets, do they live for ever?
6 But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did
they not take hold of your fathers? and they returned and said, Like as the LORD of hosts
thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath he dealt
with us.†
7 ¶ Upon the four and twentieth day of the eleventh month, which *is* the month Sebat, in
the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah,
the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,
8 I saw by night, and behold a man riding upon a red horse, and he stood among the
myrtle trees that *were* in the bottom; and behind him *were there* red horses, speckled, and
white.‡
9 Then said I, O my lord, what *are* these? And the angel that talked with me said unto me,
I will shew thee what these *be*.
10 And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, These *are they*
whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.
11 And they answered the angel of the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said,
We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is
at rest.
12 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD answered and said, O LORD of hosts, how long wilt
thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had
indignation these threescore and ten years?
13 And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me *with* good words *and* comfort-
able words.
14 So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the
LORD of hosts; I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.
15 And I am very sore displeased with the heathen *that are* at ease: for I was but a little
displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.
16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house
shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth upon
Jerusalem.
17 Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; My cities through prosperity shall yet be
spread abroad; and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.§
18 ¶ Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.
19 And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What *be* these? And he answered me,
These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.
20 And the LORD shewed me four carpenters.
21 Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These *are* the horns which
have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them,
to cast out the horns of the Gentiles, which lifted up *their* horn over the land of Judah to
scatter it.

2

1 I lifted up mine eyes again, and looked, and behold a man with a measuring line in his
hand.
2 Then said I, Whither goest thou? And he said unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see
what *is* the breadth thereof, and what *is* the length thereof.
3 And, behold, the angel that talked with me went forth, and another angel went out to
meet him,

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* **1:2** sore...: Heb. with displeasure † **1:6** take...: or, overtake ‡ **1:8** speckled: or, bay § **1:17** prosperity: Heb. good

4 And said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, Jerusalem shall be inhabited
as towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein:
5 For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory
in the midst of her.
6 ¶ Ho, ho, *come forth*, and flee from the land of the north, saith the LORD: for I have
spread you abroad as the four winds of the heaven, saith the LORD.
7 Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest *with* the daughter of Babylon.
8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which
spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.
9 For, behold, I will shake mine hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their
servants: and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.
10 ¶ Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of
thee, saith the LORD.
11 And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people: and
I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me
unto thee.
12 And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose
Jerusalem again.
13 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out of his holy habitation.*

3

1 And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and
Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.*†
2 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that
hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: *is* not this a brand plucked out of the fire?
3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.
4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the
filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to
pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.
5 And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his
head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.
6 And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua, saying,
7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways, and if thou wilt keep my
charge, then thou shalt also judge my house, and shalt also keep my courts, and I will give
thee places to walk among these that stand by.‡§
8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they
are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.**
9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone *shall be* seven eyes:
behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the
iniquity of that land in one day.
10 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbour under the
vine and under the fig tree.

4

1 And the angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened
out of his sleep,
2 And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick
all *of* gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to
the seven lamps, which *are* upon the top thereof:*†
3 And two olive trees by it, one upon the right *side* of the bowl, and the other upon the left
side thereof.
4 So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What *are* these, my
lord?
5 Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what
these be? And I said, No, my lord.
6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This *is* the word of the LORD unto
Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.‡

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* **2:13** his...: Heb. the habitation of his holiness * **3:1** Satan: that is, an adversary † **3:1** to...: Heb. to be his adversary ‡ **3:7** charge: or, ordinance § **3:7** places...: Heb. walks ** **3:8** wondered...: Heb. of wonder, or, sign * **4:2** a bowl: Heb. her bowl † **4:2** seven pipes...: or, seven several pipes to the lamps ‡ **4:6** might: or, army

7 Who *art* thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel *thou shalt become* a plain: and he
shall bring forth the headstone *thereof with* shoutings, *crying*, Grace, grace unto it.
8 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
9 The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also
finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.
10 For who hath despised the day of small things? for they shall rejoice, and shall see the
plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel *with* those seven; they *are* the eyes of the LORD, which
run to and fro through the whole earth.§**
11 ¶ Then answered I, and said unto him, What *are* these two olive trees upon the right
side of the candlestick and upon the left *side* thereof?
12 And I answered again, and said unto him, What *be these* two olive branches which
through the two golden pipes empty the golden *oil* out of themselves?††‡‡§§
13 And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these *be*? And I said, No, my
lord.
14 Then said he, These *are* the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole
earth.***

5

1 Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a flying roll.
2 And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length
thereof *is* twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof ten cubits.
3 Then said he unto me, This *is* the curse that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth:
for every one that stealeth shall be cut off *as* on this side according to it; and every one that
sweareth shall be cut off *as* on that side according to it.*
4 I will bring it forth, saith the LORD of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief,
and into the house of him that sweareth falsely by my name: and it shall remain in the
midst of his house, and shall consume it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof.
5 ¶ Then the angel that talked with me went forth, and said unto me, Lift up now thine
eyes, and see what *is* this that goeth forth.
6 And I said, What *is* it? And he said, This *is* an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover,
This *is* their resemblance through all the earth.
7 And, behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this *is* a woman that sitteth in the
midst of the ephah.†
8 And he said, This *is* wickedness. And he cast it into the midst of the ephah; and he cast
the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof.
9 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came out two women, and
the wind *was* in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork: and they lifted up
the ephah between the earth and the heaven.
10 Then said I to the angel that talked with me, Whither do these bear the ephah?
11 And he said unto me, To build it an house in the land of Shinar: and it shall be
established, and set there upon her own base.

6

1 And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots
out from between two mountains; and the mountains *were* mountains of brass.
2 In the first chariot *were* red horses; and in the second chariot black horses;
3 And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot grisled and bay horses.*
4 Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What *are* these, my lord?
5 And the angel answered and said unto me, These *are* the four spirits of the heavens,
which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth.†
6 The black horses which *are* therein go forth into the north country; and the white go
forth after them; and the grisled go forth toward the south country.
7 And the bay went forth, and sought to go that they might walk to and fro through the
earth: and he said, Get you hence, walk to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and
fro through the earth.

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§ **4:10** for they...: or, since the seven eyes of the LORD shall rejoice ** **4:10** plummet: Heb. stone of tin †† **4:12** through: Heb. by the hand of ‡‡ **4:12** empty...: or, empty out of themselves oil into the gold §§ **4:12** the golden oil: Heb. the gold *** **4:14** anointed...: Heb. sons of oil * **5:3** every one that stealeth...: or, every one of this people that stealeth holdeth himself guiltless, as it doth † **5:7** talent: or, weighty piece * **6:3** bay: or, strong † **6:5** spirits: or, winds

8 Then cried he upon me, and spake unto me, saying, Behold, these that go toward the
north country have quieted my spirit in the north country.
9 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
10 Take of *them of* the captivity, *even* of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah, which are come
from Babylon, and come thou the same day, and go into the house of Josiah the son of
Zephaniah;
11 Then take silver and gold, and make crowns, and set *them* upon the head of Joshua the
son of Josedech, the high priest;
12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Behold the man
whose name *is* The BRANCH; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the
temple of the LORD:‡
13 Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit
and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace
shall be between them both.
14 And the crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen the son
of Zephaniah, for a memorial in the temple of the LORD.
15 And they *that are* far off shall come and build in the temple of the LORD, and ye shall
know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you. And *this* shall come to pass, if ye will
diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God.

7

1 And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Darius, *that* the word of the LORD came
unto Zechariah in the fourth *day* of the ninth month, *even* in Chisleu;
2 When they had sent unto the house of God Sherezer and Regem-melech, and their men,
to pray before the LORD,*
3 *And* to speak unto the priests which *were* in the house of the LORD of hosts, and to the
prophets, saying, Should I weep in the fifth month, separating myself, as I have done these
so many years?
4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD of hosts unto me, saying,
5 Speak unto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When ye fasted and
mourned in the fifth and seventh *month*, even those seventy years, did ye at all fast unto
me, *even* to me?
6 And when ye did eat, and when ye did drink, did not ye eat *for yourselves*, and drink *for
yourselves*?†
7 *Should ye* not *hear* the words which the LORD hath cried by the former prophets, when
Jerusalem was inhabited and in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when
men inhabited the south and the plain?‡§
8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah, saying,
9 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment, and shew mercy and
compassions every man to his brother:**
10 And oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor; and let none
of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart.
11 But they refused to hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears,
that they should not hear.††‡‡
12 Yea, they made their hearts *as* an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the
words which the LORD of hosts hath sent in his spirit by the former prophets: therefore
came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts.§§
13 Therefore it is come to pass, *that* as he cried, and they would not hear; so they cried,
and I would not hear, saith the LORD of hosts:
14 But I scattered them with a whirlwind among all the nations whom they knew not.
Thus the land was desolate after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they
laid the pleasant land desolate.***

8

1 Again the word of the LORD of hosts came *to me*, saying,

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‡ **6:12** grow...: or, branch up from under him * **7:2** pray...: Heb. intreat the face of † **7:6** did not ye: or, be not ye they that ‡ **7:7** Should...: or, Are not these the words § **7:7** by: Heb. by the hand of ** **7:9** Execute...: Heb. Judge judgment of truth †† **7:11** pulled...: Heb. they gave a backsliding shoulder ‡‡ **7:11** stopped: Heb. made heavy §§ **7:12** by: Heb. by the hand of *** **7:14** pleasant...: Heb. land of desire

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was
jealous for her with great fury.
3 Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem:
and Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth; and the mountain of the LORD of hosts the
holy mountain.
4 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; There shall yet old men and old women dwell in the streets
of Jerusalem, and every man with his staff in his hand for very age.*
5 And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.
6 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people
in these days, should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? saith the LORD of hosts.†
7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and
from the west country;‡
8 And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be
my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.
9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days
these words by the mouth of the prophets, which *were* in the day *that* the foundation of
the house of the LORD of hosts was laid, that the temple might be built.
10 For before these days there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast; neither *was
there any* peace to him that went out or came in because of the affliction: for I set all men
every one against his neighbour.§
11 But now I *will* not *be* unto the residue of this people as in the former days, saith the
LORD of hosts.
12 For the seed *shall be* prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and the ground shall
give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of
this people to possess all these *things*.**
13 And it shall come to pass, *that* as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah,
and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, *but* let your hands
be strong.
14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; As I thought to punish you, when your fathers
provoked me to wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, and I repented not:
15 So again have I thought in these days to do well unto Jerusalem and to the house of
Judah: fear ye not.
16 ¶ These *are* the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour;
execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:††
17 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no
false oath: for all these *are things* that I hate, saith the LORD.
18 ¶ And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying,
19 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The fast of the fourth *month*, and the fast of the fifth,
and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Judah joy and
gladness, and cheerful feasts; therefore love the truth and peace.‡‡
20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; *It shall* yet *come to pass*, that there shall come people,
and the inhabitants of many cities:
21 And the inhabitants of one *city* shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray
before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also.§§***
22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem,
and to pray before the LORD.†††
23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days *it shall come to pass*, that ten men shall take
hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew,
saying, We will go with you: for we have heard *that* God *is* with you.

9

1 The burden of the word of the LORD in the land of Hadrach, and Damascus *shall be* the
rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, *shall be* toward the LORD.
2 And Hamath also shall border thereby; Tyrus, and Zidon, though it be very wise.

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* **8:4** very...: Heb. multitude of days † **8:6** marvellous: or, hard, or, difficult ‡ **8:7** the west...: Heb. the country of the going down of the sun § **8:10** there was...: or, the hire of man became nothing ** **8:12** prosperous: Heb. of peace †† **8:16** execute...: Heb. judge truth, and the judgment of peace ‡‡ **8:19** feasts: or, solemn, or, set times §§ **8:21** speedily: or, continually: Heb. going *** **8:21** to pray...: Heb. to intreat the face of ††† **8:22** to pray...: Heb. to intreat the face of

3 And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and heaped up silver as the dust, and fine
gold as the mire of the streets.
4 Behold, the Lord will cast her out, and he will smite her power in the sea; and she shall
be devoured with fire.
5 Ashkelon shall see *it*, and fear; Gaza also *shall see it*, and be very sorrowful, and Ekron;
for her expectation shall be ashamed; and the king shall perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon
shall not be inhabited.
6 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.
7 And I will take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his
teeth: but he that remaineth, even he, *shall be* for our God, and he shall be as a governor
in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.*
8 And I will encamp about mine house because of the army, because of him that passeth
by, and because of him that returneth: and no oppressor shall pass through them any more:
for now have I seen with mine eyes.
9 ¶ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King
cometh unto thee: he *is* just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon
a colt the foal of an ass.†
10 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the
battle bow shall be cut off: and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: and his dominion
shall be from sea *even* to sea, and from the river *even* to the ends of the earth.
11 As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the
pit wherein *is* no water.‡
12 ¶ Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do I declare *that* I will
render double unto thee;
13 When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons,
O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.
14 And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning:
and the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.
15 The LORD of hosts shall defend them; and they shall devour, and subdue with sling
stones; and they shall drink, *and* make a noise as through wine; and they shall be filled like
bowls, *and* as the corners of the altar.§**
16 And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for they
shall be as the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land.
17 For how great *is* his goodness, and how great *is* his beauty! corn shall make the young
men cheerful, and new wine the maids.††

10

1 Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; *so* the LORD shall make bright
clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.*
2 For the idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false
dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they were troubled,
because *there was* no shepherd.†‡
3 Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD
of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse
in the battle.§
4 Out of him came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him the battle bow, out of
him every oppressor together.
5 ¶ And they shall be as mighty *men*, which tread down *their enemies* in the mire of the
streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD *is* with them, and the riders on
horses shall be confounded.**
6 And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will
bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though
I had not cast them off: for I *am* the LORD their God, and will hear them.
7 And *they of* Ephraim shall be like a mighty *man*, and their heart shall rejoice as through
wine: yea, their children shall see *it*, and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in the LORD.

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* **9:7** blood: Heb. bloods † **9:9** having...: or, saving himself ‡ **9:11** by...: or, whose covenant is by blood § **9:15** with...: or, the stones of the sling ** **9:15** be...: or, fill both the bowls, etc †† **9:17** cheerful: or, grow, or, speak * **10:1** bright...: or, lightnings † **10:2** idols: Heb. teraphims ‡ **10:2** were...: or, answered that, etc § **10:3** punished: Heb. visited upon ** **10:5** the riders...: or, they shall make the riders on horses ashamed

8 I will hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them: and they shall increase
as they have increased.
9 And I will sow them among the people: and they shall remember me in far countries;
and they shall live with their children, and turn again.
10 I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria;
and I will bring them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and *place* shall not be found for
them.
11 And he shall pass through the sea with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea,
and all the deeps of the river shall dry up: and the pride of Assyria shall be brought down,
and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart away.
12 And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and they shall walk up and down in his name,
saith the LORD.

11

1 Open thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.
2 Howl, fir tree; for the cedar is fallen; because the mighty are spoiled: howl, O ye oaks
of Bashan; for the forest of the vintage is come down.*†
3 ¶ *There is* a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of
the roaring of young lions; for the pride of Jordan is spoiled.
4 Thus saith the LORD my God; Feed the flock of the slaughter;
5 Whose possessors slay them, and hold themselves not guilty: and they that sell them
say, Blessed *be* the LORD; for I am rich: and their own shepherds pity them not.
6 For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD: but, lo, I will deliver
the men every one into his neighbour's hand, and into the hand of his king: and they shall
smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliver *them*.‡
7 And I will feed the flock of slaughter, *even* you, O poor of the flock. And I took unto me
two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called Bands; and I fed the flock.§**
8 Three shepherds also I cut off in one month; and my soul lothed them, and their soul
also abhorred me.††
9 Then said I, I will not feed you: that that dieth, let it die; and that that is to be cut off, let
it be cut off; and let the rest eat every one the flesh of another.‡‡
10 ¶ And I took my staff, *even* Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant
which I had made with all the people.
11 And it was broken in that day: and so the poor of the flock that waited upon me knew
that it *was* the word of the LORD.§§
12 And I said unto them, If ye think good, give *me* my price; and if not, forbear. So they
weighed for my price thirty *pieces* of silver.***
13 And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prised at
of them. And I took the thirty *pieces* of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the
LORD.
14 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, *even* Bands, that I might break the brotherhood
between Judah and Israel.†††
15 ¶ And the LORD said unto me, Take unto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepherd.
16 For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, *which* shall not visit those that be cut off,
neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor feed that that standeth
still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces.‡‡‡§§§
17 Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword *shall be* upon his arm,
and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly
darkened.

12

1 The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth
the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within
him.

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* **11:2** mighty: or, gallants † **11:2** the forest...: or, the defenced forest ‡ **11:6** deliver: Heb. make to be found § **11:7** even...: or, verily the poor ** **11:7** Bands: or, Binders †† **11:8** lothed...: Heb. was straightened for them ‡‡ **11:9** another: Heb. his fellow, or, neighbour §§ **11:11** so...: or, the poor of the flock, etc. certainly knew *** **11:12** If ye...: Heb. If it be good in your eyes ††† **11:14** Bands: or, Binders ‡‡‡ **11:16** cut off: or, hidden §§§ **11:16** feed: or, bear

2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when
they shall be in the siege both against Judah *and* against Jerusalem.*†
3 ¶ And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that
burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be
gathered together against it.
4 In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider
with madness: and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every
horse of the people with blindness.
5 And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, The inhabitants of Jerusalem *shall*
be my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.‡
6 ¶ In that day will I make the governors of Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood,
and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the
right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, *even*
in Jerusalem.
7 The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David
and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify *themselves* against Judah.
8 In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is feeble
among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David *shall be* as God, as the
angel of the LORD before them.§
9 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will seek to destroy all the nations that
come against Jerusalem.
10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the
spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced,
and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only *son*, and shall be in bitterness
for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.
11 In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of
Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.
12 And the land shall mourn, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart,
and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart;**
13 The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of Shimei apart,
and their wives apart;††
14 All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.

13

1 In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants
of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness.*
2 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will cut off the
names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will
cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.
3 And it shall come to pass, *that* when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his
mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the
name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through
when he prophesieth.
4 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the prophets shall be ashamed every one of
his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive:†‡
5 But he shall say, I *am* no prophet, I *am* an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle
from my youth.
6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall
answer, *Those* with which I was wounded *in* the house of my friends.
7 ¶ Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man *that is* my fellow, saith
the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn
mine hand upon the little ones.
8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be
cut off *and* die; but the third shall be left therein.

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* **12:2** trembling: or, slumber, or, poison † **12:2** when...: or, and also against Judah shall he be which shall be in siege against Jerusalem ‡ **12:5** The inhabitants...: or, There is strength to me and to the inhabitants, etc § **12:8** feeble: or, abject: Heb. fallen ** **12:12** every...: Heb. families, families †† **12:13** of Shimei: or, of Simeon, as LXX * **13:1** uncleanness: Heb. separation for uncleanness † **13:4** a rough...: Heb. a garment of hair ‡ **13:4** deceive: Heb. lie

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined,
and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will
say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

14

1 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.
2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and
the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity,
and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.
3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the
day of battle.
4 ¶ And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which *is* before
Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the
east and toward the west, *and there shall be* a very great valley; and half of the mountain
shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.
5 And ye shall flee *to* the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall
reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of
Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, *and* all the saints with thee.*†
6 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the light shall not be clear, *nor* dark:‡§**
7 But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall
come to pass, *that* at evening time it shall be light.††
8 And it shall be in that day, *that* living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them
toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter
shall it be.‡‡
9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and
his name one.
10 All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem:
and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place
of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and *from* the tower of Hananeel unto the king's
winepresses.§§***
11 And *men* shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem
shall be safely inhabited.†††
12 ¶ And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have
fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet,
and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in
their mouth.
13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* a great tumult from the LORD shall be among
them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand shall
rise up against the hand of his neighbour.
14 And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the heathen round about
shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance.‡‡‡§§§
15 And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of
all the beasts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.
16 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left of all the nations which came
against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of
hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.
17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come up of *all* the families of the earth unto
Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.
18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that *have* no *rain;* there shall be the
plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of
tabernacles.*
19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come
not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.†

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* **14:5** the mountains: or, my mountains † **14:5** for the...: or, when he shall touch the valley of the mountains to the place he separated ‡ **14:6** that the...: that is, it shall not be clear in some places, and dark in other places of the world § **14:6** clear: Heb. precious ** **14:6** dark: Heb. thickness †† **14:7** it shall be...: or, the day shall be one ‡‡ **14:8** former: or, eastern §§ **14:10** turned: or, compassed *** **14:10** inhabited: or, shall abide ††† **14:11** shall be: or, shall abide ‡‡‡ **14:14** Judah...: or, thou also, O Judah shalt §§§ **14:14** at: or, against * **14:18** that have no: Heb. upon whom there is not † **14:19** punishment: or, sin

20 ¶[In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD;
and the pots in the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.‡
21 Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and
all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there
shall be no more the Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

‡ **14:20** bells: or, bridles

Malachi

1 The burden of the word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.*
2 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? *Was* not Esau
Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,
3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the
wilderness.
4 Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate
places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they
shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath
indignation for ever.
5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified from the border
of Israel.†
6 ¶ A son honoureth *his* father, and a servant his master: if then I *be* a father, where *is*
mine honour? and if I *be* a master, where *is* my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O
priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?
7 Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee?
In that ye say, The table of the LORD *is* contemptible.‡
8 And if ye offer the blind for sacrifice, *is it* not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, *is it*
not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person?
saith the LORD of hosts.§
9 And now, I pray you, beseech God that he will be gracious unto us: this hath been by
your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.**††
10 Who *is there* even among you that would shut the doors *for nought?* neither do ye
kindle *fire* on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you, saith the LORD of hosts,
neither will I accept an offering at your hand.
11 For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name *shall be*
great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense *shall be* offered unto my name, and a
pure offering: for my name *shall be* great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.
12 ¶ But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD *is* polluted; and the fruit
thereof, *even* his meat, *is* contemptible.
13 Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness *is it!* and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD
of hosts; and ye brought *that which was* torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought
an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.‡‡
14 But cursed *be* the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth
unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I *am* a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name
is dreadful among the heathen.§§

2

1 And now, O ye priests, this commandment *is* for you.
2 If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay *it* to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith
the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea,
I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay *it* to heart.
3 Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, *even* the dung of
your solemn feasts; and *one* shall take you away with it.*†‡
4 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant
might be with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.
5 My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him *for* the fear
wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my name.
6 The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked
with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity.
7 For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth:
for he *is* the messenger of the LORD of hosts.

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* **1:1** by...: Heb. by the hand of † **1:5** from: or, upon: Heb. from upon ‡ **1:7** offer...: or, bring unto, etc § **1:8** for: Heb. to ** **1:9** God: Heb. the face of God †† **1:9** by...: Heb. from your hand ‡‡ **1:13** and ye have...: or, whereas ye might have blown it away §§ **1:14** which...: Heb. in whose flock is * **2:3** corrupt: or, reprove † **2:3** spread: Heb. scatter ‡ **2:3** one...: or, it shall take you away to it

8 But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have
corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.§
9 Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according
as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law.**
10 Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal
treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?
11 ¶ Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in
Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved, and hath
married the daughter of a strange god.††
12 The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this, the master and the scholar, out of the
tabernacles of Jacob, and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.‡‡
13 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping,
and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiveth *it*
with good will at your hand.
14 ¶ Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the
wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet *is* she thy companion,
and the wife of thy covenant.
15 And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one?
That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal
treacherously against the wife of his youth.§§***†††
16 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for *one* covereth
violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that
ye deal not treacherously.‡‡‡§§§
17 ¶ Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied
him? When ye say, Every one that doeth evil *is* good in the sight of the LORD, and he
delighteth in them; or, Where *is* the God of judgment?

3

1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and
the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the
covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.
2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth?
for he *is* like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:
3 And he shall sit *as* a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of
Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering
in righteousness.
4 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the
days of old, and as in former years.*
5 And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the
sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that
oppress the hireling in *his* wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the
stranger *from his right*, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts.†
6 For I *am* the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.
7 ¶ Even from the days of your fathers ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have
not kept *them*. Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts. But ye
said, Wherein shall we return?
8 ¶ Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed
thee? In tithes and offerings.
9 Ye *are* cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, *even* this whole nation.
10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and
prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of
heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that *there shall* not *be room* enough *to receive it*.‡
11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of
your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the
LORD of hosts.§

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§ **2:8** stumble at: or, fall in ** **2:9** have been...: or, lifted up the face against: Heb. accepted faces †† **2:11** loved: or, ought to love ‡‡ **2:12** the master...: or, him that waketh, and him that answereth §§ **2:15** residue: or, excellency *** **2:15** godly...: Heb. seed of God ††† **2:15** treacherously: or, unfaithfully ‡‡‡ **2:16** that he...: or, if he hate her, put her away §§§ **2:16** putting...: Heb. to put away * **3:4** former: or, ancient † **3:5** oppress: or, defraud ‡ **3:10** pour...: Heb. empty out § **3:11** destroy: Heb. corrupt

12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD
of hosts.
13 ¶ Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, What have we
spoken *so much* against thee?
14 Ye have said, It *is* vain to serve God: and what profit *is it* that we have kept his
ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?[**][††]
15 And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, *they*
that tempt God are even delivered.[‡‡]
16 ¶ Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD
hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them
that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.
17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels;
and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.[§§]
18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him
that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

4

1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all
that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the
LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.
2 ¶ But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in
his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.
3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet
in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.
4 ¶ Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb
for all Israel, *with* the statutes and judgments.
5 ¶ Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful
day of the LORD:
6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children
to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

[**] **3:14** ordinance: Heb. observation [††] **3:14** mournfully: Heb. in black [‡‡] **3:15** are set up: Heb. are built
[§§] **3:17** jewels: or, special treasure

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW

1 The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.
2 Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren;
3 And Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram;
4 And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon;
5 And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse;
6 And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her *that had been the wife* of Urias;
7 And Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa;
8 And Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias;
9 And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias;
10 And Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias;
11 And Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon:
12 And after they were brought to Babylon, Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel;
13 And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor;
14 And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud;
15 And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob;
16 And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.
17 So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon *are* fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ *are* fourteen generations.
18 ¶ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.
19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily.
20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.
21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.
22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,
23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.
24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:
25 And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

2

1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,
2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.
3 When Herod the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.
4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.
5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet,
6 And thou Bethlehem, *in* the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.
7 Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.
8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found *him*, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the
east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.
10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.
11 ¶ And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his
mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures,
they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.
12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they
departed into their own country another way.
13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a
dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be
thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.
14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into
Egypt:
15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of
the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.
16 ¶ Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding
wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the
coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently
enquired of the wise men.
17 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying,
18 In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning,
Rachel weeping *for* her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.
19 ¶ But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to
Joseph in Egypt,
20 Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel:
for they are dead which sought the young child's life.
21 And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.
22 But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod,
he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned
aside into the parts of Galilee:
23 And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was
spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.

3

1 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea,
2 And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying
in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
4 And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins;
and his meat was locusts and wild honey.
5 Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan,
6 And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.
7 ¶ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said
unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?
8 Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance:
9 And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto
you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.
10 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which
bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.
11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is
mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy
Ghost, and *with* fire:
12 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat
into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.
13 ¶ Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.
14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to
me?
15 And Jesus answering said unto him, **Suffer *it to be so* now: for thus it becometh us
to fulfil all righteousness.** Then he suffered him.
16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the
heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and
lighting upon him:

17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

4

1 Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.
2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred.
3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.
4 But he answered and said, **It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**
5 Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple,
6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.
7 Jesus said unto him, **It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.**
8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;
9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.
10 Then saith Jesus unto him, **Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.**
11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.
12 ¶ Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;
13 And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:
14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,
15 The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, *by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;
16 The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
17 ¶ From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, **Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.**
18 ¶ And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
19 And he saith unto them, **Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.**
20 And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.
21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.
22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.
23 ¶ And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.
24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.
25 And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and *from* Decapolis, and *from* Jerusalem, and *from* Judaea, and *from* beyond Jordan.

5

1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:
2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,
3 **Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**
4 **Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.**
5 **Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.**
6 **Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.**
7 **Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.**
8 **Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God.**
9 **Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.**

10 **Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**
11 **Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.**
12 **Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.**
13 ¶ **Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.**
14 **Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.**
15 **Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.**
16 **Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.**
17 ¶ **Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.**
18 **For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.**
19 **Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.**
20 **For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.**
21 ¶ **Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:**
22 **But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.**
23 **Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;**
24 **Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.**
25 **Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.**
26 **Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.**
27 ¶ **Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:**
28 **But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.**
29 **And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.**
30 **And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.**
31 **It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:**
32 **But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.**
33 ¶ **Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:**
34 **But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne:**
35 **Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King.**
36 **Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black.**

37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than
these cometh of evil.
38 ¶ Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:
39 But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy
right cheek, turn to him the other also.
40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have *thy*
cloke also.
41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.
42 Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not
thou away.
43 ¶ Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate
thine enemy.
44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to
them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute
you;
45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh
his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the
unjust.
46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the
publicans the same?
47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more *than others*? do not even
the publicans so?
48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

6

1 Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye
have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.
2 Therefore when thou doest *thine* alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as
the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of
men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.
3 But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:
4 That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself
shall reward thee openly.
5 ¶ And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites *are*: for they love
to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may
be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.
6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy
door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall
reward thee openly.
7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do*: for they think that
they shall be heard for their much speaking.
8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have
need of, before ye ask him.
9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed
be thy name.
10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven.
11 Give us this day our daily bread.
12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.
14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive
you:
15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your
trespasses.
16 ¶ Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for
they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto
you, They have their reward.
17 But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face;
18 That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret:
and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.
19 ¶ Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth
corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust
doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:
21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.
22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body
shall be full of light.
23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore
the light that is in thee be darkness, how great *is* that darkness!
24 ¶ No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the
other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God
and mammon.
25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or
what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more
than meat, and the body than raiment?
26 Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather
into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than
they?
27 Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?
28 And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they
grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:
29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like
one of these.
30 Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow
is cast into the oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith?
31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink?
or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?
32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father
knoweth that ye have need of all these things.
33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things
shall be added unto you.
34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought
for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof.

7

1 Judge not, that ye be not judged.
2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye
mete, it shall be measured to you again.
3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest
not the beam that is in thine own eye?
4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye;
and, behold, a beam *is* in thine own eye?
5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou
see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.
6 ¶ Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before
swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.
7 ¶ Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be
opened unto you:
8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that
knocketh it shall be opened.
9 Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?
10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?
11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much
more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?
12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even
so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.
13 ¶ Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that
leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:
14 Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and
few there be that find it.
15 ¶ Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly
they are ravening wolves.
16 Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of
thistles?

17 **Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth**
forth evil fruit.
18 **A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth**
good fruit.
19 **Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the**
fire.
20 **Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.**
21 ¶ **Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of**
heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
22 **Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name?**
and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?
23 **And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that**
work iniquity.
24 ¶ **Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will**
liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:
25 **And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon**
that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.
26 **And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be**
likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:
27 **And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon**
that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.
28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished
at his doctrine:
29 For he taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.

8

1 When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him.
2 And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou
canst make me clean.
3 And Jesus put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, **I will; be thou clean.** And
immediately his leprosy was cleansed.
4 And Jesus saith unto him, **See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the**
priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.
5 ¶ And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion,
beseeching him,
6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.
7 And Jesus saith unto him, **I will come and heal him.**
8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come
under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.
9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this *man*, Go,
and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he
doeth *it*.
10 When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, **Verily I say unto**
you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.
11 **And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit**
down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.
12 **But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there**
shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, **Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, *so* be it**
done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.
14 ¶ And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick
of a fever.
15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto
them.
16 ¶ When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with
devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick:
17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took
our infirmities, and bare *our* sicknesses.
18 ¶ Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart
unto the other side.
19 And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever
thou goest.

20 And Jesus saith unto him, **The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air *have* nests;**
but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.
21 And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my
father.
22 But Jesus said unto him, **Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.**
23 ¶ And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him.
24 And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered
with the waves: but he was asleep.
25 And his disciples came to *him*, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.
26 And he saith unto them, **Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?** Then he arose, and
rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.
27 But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and
the sea obey him!
28 ¶ And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there
met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no
man might pass by that way.
29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of
God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?
30 And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.
31 So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the
herd of swine.
32 And he said unto them, **Go.** And when they were come out, they went into the herd of
swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea,
and perished in the waters.
33 And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing,
and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils.
34 And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they
besought *him* that he would depart out of their coasts.

9

1 And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city.
2 And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing
their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; **Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven
thee.**
3 And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man* blasphemeth.
4 And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, **Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?**
5 **For whether is easier, to say, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?**
6 **But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins,**
(then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) **Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.**
7 And he arose, and departed to his house.
8 But when the multitudes saw *it*, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given
such power unto men.
9 ¶ And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the
receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, **Follow me.** And he arose, and followed him.
10 ¶ And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and
sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.
11 And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master
with publicans and sinners?
12 But when Jesus heard *that*, he said unto them, **They that be whole need not a
physician, but they that are sick.**
13 **But go ye and learn what *that* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for
I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.**
14 ¶ Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft,
but thy disciples fast not?
15 And Jesus said unto them, **Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long
as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall
be taken from them, and then shall they fast.**
16 **No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put
in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse.**
17 **Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the
wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles,
and both are preserved.**

18 ¶ While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and
worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon
her, and she shall live.
19 And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his disciples.
20 ¶ And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came
behind *him*, and touched the hem of his garment:
21 For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.
22 But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, **Daughter, be of good
comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole.** And the woman was made whole from that
hour.
23 And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people
making a noise,
24 He said unto them, **Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth.** And they
laughed him to scorn.
25 But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the
maid arose.
26 And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.
27 ¶ And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying,
Thou Son of David, have mercy on us.
28 And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith
unto them, **Believe ye that I am able to do this?** They said unto him, Yea, Lord.
29 Then touched he their eyes, saying, **According to your faith be it unto you.**
30 And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, **See *that* no man
know *it*.**
31 But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.
32 ¶ As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil.
33 And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled,
saying, It was never so seen in Israel.
34 But the Pharisees said, He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils.
35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and
preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among
the people.
36 ¶ But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because
they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.
37 Then saith he unto his disciples, **The harvest truly *is* plenteous, but the labourers
are few;**
38 **Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into
his harvest.**

10

1 And when he had called unto *him* his twelve disciples, he gave them power *against*
unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of
disease.
2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter,
and Andrew his brother; James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother;
3 Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James *the son* of
Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus, whose surname was Thaddaeus;
4 Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.
5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, **Go not into the way of
the Gentiles, and into *any* city of the Samaritans enter ye not:**
6 **But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.**
7 **And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.**
8 **Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have
received, freely give.**
9 **Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,**
10 **Nor scrip for *your* journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for
the workman is worthy of his meat.**
11 **And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and
there abide till ye go thence.**
12 **And when ye come into an house, salute it.**
13 **And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy,
let your peace return to you.**

14 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet.
15 Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.
16 ¶ Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.
17 But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;
18 And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.
19 But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.
20 For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.
21 And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against *their* parents, and cause them to be put to death.
22 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.
23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.
24 The disciple is not above *his* master, nor the servant above his lord.
25 It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more *shall they call* them of his household?
26 Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.
27 What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, *that* preach ye upon the housetops.
28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.
29 Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.
30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.
31 Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.
32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.
33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.
34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.
35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.
36 And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own household.
37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.
38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.
39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.
40 ¶ He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.
41 He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward.
42 And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold *water* only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

11

1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.
2 Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,
3 And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

4 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:**
5 **The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.**
6 **And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.**
7 ¶ And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, **What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind?**
8 **But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft *clothing* are in kings' houses.**
9 **But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet.**
10 **For this is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.**
11 **Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.**
12 **And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.**
13 **For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.**
14 **And if ye will receive *it*, this is Elias, which was for to come.**
15 **He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.**
16 ¶ **But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,**
17 **And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.**
18 **For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil.**
19 **The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.**
20 ¶ Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:
21 **Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.**
22 **But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.**
23 **And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.**
24 **But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.**
25 ¶ At that time Jesus answered and said, **I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.**
26 **Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.**
27 **All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.**
28 ¶ **Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.**
29 **Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.**
30 **For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.**

12

1 At that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungred, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat.
2 But when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.
3 But he said unto them, **Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him;**

4 **How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was**
not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the
priests?
5 **Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the**
temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless?
6 **But I say unto you, That in this place is *one* greater than the temple.**
7 **But if ye had known what *this* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye**
would not have condemned the guiltless.
8 **For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.**
9 And when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue:
10 ¶ And, behold, there was a man which had *his* hand withered. And they asked him,
saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him.
11 And he said unto them, **What man shall there be among you, that shall have one**
sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift *it*
out?
12 **How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well**
on the sabbath days.
13 Then saith he to the man, **Stretch forth thine hand.** And he stretched *it* forth; and it
was restored whole, like as the other.
14 ¶ Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy
him.
15 But when Jesus knew *it*, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes
followed him, and he healed them all;
16 And charged them that they should not make him known:
17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,
18 Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased:
I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.
19 He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.
20 A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send
forth judgment unto victory.
21 And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.
22 ¶ Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he
healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.
23 And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?
24 But when the Pharisees heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by
Beelzebub the prince of the devils.
25 And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, **Every kingdom divided against**
itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall
not stand:
26 **And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his**
kingdom stand?
27 **And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast *them* out?**
therefore they shall be your judges.
28 **But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto**
you.
29 **Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except**
he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.
30 **He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me**
scattereth abroad.
31 ¶ **Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven**
unto men: but the blasphemy *against* the *Holy* Ghost shall not be forgiven unto
men.
32 **And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven**
him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him,
neither in this world, neither in the *world* to come.
33 **Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt,**
and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by *his* fruit.
34 **O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the**
abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.
35 **A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things:**
and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

36 **But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give**
account thereof in the day of judgment.
37 **For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be**
condemned.
38 ¶ Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would
see a sign from thee.
39 But he answered and said unto them, **An evil and adulterous generation seeketh**
after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:
40 **For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the**
Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.
41 **The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall**
condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater
than Jonas *is* here.
42 **The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and**
shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the
wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.
43 **When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places,**
seeking rest, and findeth none.
44 **Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he**
is come, he findeth *it* empty, swept, and garnished.
45 **Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than**
himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse
than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.
46 ¶ While he yet talked to the people, behold, *his* mother and his brethren stood without,
desiring to speak with him.
47 Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring
to speak with thee.
48 But he answered and said unto him that told him, **Who is my mother? and who are**
my brethren?
49 And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, **Behold my mother**
and my brethren!
50 **For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my**
brother, and sister, and mother.

13

1 The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.
2 And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and
sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.
3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, **Behold, a sower went forth**
to sow;
4 **And when he sowed, some *seeds* fell by the way side, and the fowls came and**
devoured them up:
5 **Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they**
sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:
6 **And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root,**
they withered away.
7 **And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:**
8 **But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold,**
some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.
9 **Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.**
10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?
11 He answered and said unto them, **Because it is given unto you to know the**
mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.
12 **For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance:**
but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.
13 **Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing**
they hear not, neither do they understand.
14 **And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall**
hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:
15 **For this people's heart is waxed gross, and *their* ears are dull of hearing,**
and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with *their* eyes,

and hear with *their* ears, and should understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.
16 **But blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.**
17 **For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear *those things* which ye hear, and have not heard *them.***
18 ¶ **Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.**
19 **When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth *it* not, then cometh the wicked *one*, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.**
20 **But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;**
21 **Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.**
22 **He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.**
23 **But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth *it*; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.**
24 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, **The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field:**
25 **But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.**
26 **But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.**
27 **So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?**
28 **He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?**
29 **But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.**
30 **Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.**
31 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, **The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:**
32 **Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.**
33 ¶ Another parable spake he unto them; **The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.**
34 All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:
35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.
36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.
37 He answered and said unto them, **He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;**
38 **The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*;**
39 **The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.**
40 **As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.**
41 **The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;**
42 **And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.**

43 **Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father.**
Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.
44 ¶ **Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which**
when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he
hath, and buyeth that field.
45 ¶ **Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly**
pearls:
46 **Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had,**
and bought it.
47 ¶ **Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and**
gathered of every kind:
48 **Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the**
good into vessels, but cast the bad away.
49 **So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the**
wicked from among the just,
50 **And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing**
of teeth.
51 Jesus saith unto them, **Have ye understood all these things?** They say unto him, Yea,
Lord.
52 Then said he unto them, **Therefore every scribe *which is* instructed unto the**
kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which bringeth forth
out of his treasure *things* new and old.
53 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.
54 And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue,
insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this *man* this wisdom, and
these mighty works?
55 Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James,
and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?
56 And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this *man* all these things?
57 And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, **A prophet is not without**
honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.
58 And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

14

1 At that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus,
2 And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and
therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.
3 ¶ For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put *him* in prison for Herodias'
sake, his brother Philip's wife.
4 For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to have her.
5 And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they
counted him as a prophet.
6 But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced before them,
and pleased Herod.
7 Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask.
8 And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head
in a charger.
9 And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him
at meat, he commanded *it* to be given *her*.
10 And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison.
11 And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought *it* to
her mother.
12 And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.
13 ¶ When Jesus heard *of it*, he departed thence by ship into a desert place apart: and
when the people had heard *thereof*, they followed him on foot out of the cities.
14 And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion
toward them, and he healed their sick.
15 ¶ And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place,
and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and
buy themselves victuals.
16 But Jesus said unto them, **They need not depart; give ye them to eat.**
17 And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.

18 He said, **Bring them hither to me.**
19 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves,
and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to
his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.
20 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained
twelve baskets full.
21 And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.
22 ¶ And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before
him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.
23 And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray:
and when the evening was come, he was there alone.
24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was
contrary.
25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.
26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a
spirit; and they cried out for fear.
27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, **Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.**
28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the
water.
29 And he said, **Come.** And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the
water, to go to Jesus.
30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried,
saying, Lord, save me.
31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth *his* hand, and caught him, and said unto him,
O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?
32 And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased.
33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art
the Son of God.
34 ¶ And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret.
35 And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that
country round about, and brought unto him all that were diseased;
36 And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as
touched were made perfectly whole.

15

1 Then came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,
2 Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their
hands when they eat bread.
3 But he answered and said unto them, **Why do ye also transgress the commandment
of God by your tradition?**
4 **For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that
curseth father or mother, let him die the death.**
5 **But ye say, Whosoever shall say to *his* father or *his* mother, *It is* a gift, by
whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;**
6 **And honour not his father or his mother, *he shall be free*. Thus have ye made the
commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.**
7 ***Ye* hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,**
8 **This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with
their lips; but their heart is far from me.**
9 **But in vain they do worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of
men.**
10 ¶ And he called the multitude, and said unto them, **Hear, and understand:**
11 **Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out
of the mouth, this defileth a man.**
12 Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were
offended, after they heard this saying?
13 But he answered and said, **Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not
planted, shall be rooted up.**
14 **Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the
blind, both shall fall into the ditch.**
15 Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.
16 And Jesus said, **Are ye also yet without understanding?**

17 **Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into**
the belly, and is cast out into the draught?
18 **But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart;**
and they defile the man.
19 **For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications,**
thefts, false witness, blasphemies:
20 **These are *the things* which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands**
defileth not a man.
21 ¶ Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon.
22 And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him,
saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, *thou* Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed
with a devil.
23 But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying,
Send her away; for she crieth after us.
24 But he answered and said, **I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of**
Israel.
25 Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me.
26 But he answered and said, **It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast**
***it* to dogs.**
27 And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters'
table.
28 Then Jesus answered and said unto her, **O woman, great *is* thy faith: be it unto thee**
even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.
29 And Jesus departed from thence, and came nigh unto the sea of Galilee; and went up
into a mountain, and sat down there.
30 And great multitudes came unto him, having with them *those that were* lame, blind,
dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them:
31 Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the
maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God
of Israel.
32 ¶ Then Jesus called his disciples *unto him*, and said, **I have compassion on the**
multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat:
and I will not send them away fasting, lest they faint in the way.
33 And his disciples say unto him, Whence should we have so much bread in the
wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude?
34 And Jesus saith unto them, **How many loaves have ye?** And they said, Seven, and a
few little fishes.
35 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground.
36 And he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake *them*, and
gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.
37 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left
seven baskets full.
38 And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children.
39 And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and came into the coasts of Magdala.

16

1 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would
shew them a sign from heaven.
2 He answered and said unto them, **When it is evening, ye say, *It will be* fair weather:**
for the sky is red.
3 **And in the morning, *It will be* foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring.**
O *ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not *discern* the signs
of the times?
4 **A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign**
be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.
5 And when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread.
6 ¶ Then Jesus said unto them, **Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees**
and of the Sadducees.
7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have taken no bread.
8 *Which* when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, **O ye of little faith, why reason ye**
among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?

9 **Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand,**
and how many baskets ye took up?
10 **Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took**
up?
11 **How is it that ye do not understand that I spake *it* not to you concerning bread,**
that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?
12 Then understood they how that he bade *them* not beware of the leaven of bread, but
of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.
13 ¶ When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying,
Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?
14 And they said, Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others,
Jeremias, or one of the prophets.
15 He saith unto them, **But whom say ye that I am?**
16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, **Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh**
and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.
18 **And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my**
church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
19 **And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever**
thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose
on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
20 Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.
21 ¶ From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go
unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be
killed, and be raised again the third day.
22 Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this
shall not be unto thee.
23 But he turned, and said unto Peter, **Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence**
unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.
24 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **If any *man* will come after me, let him deny**
himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.
25 **For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for**
my sake shall find it.
26 **For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own**
soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
27 **For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then**
he shall reward every man according to his works.
28 **Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of**
death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

17

1 And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them
up into an high mountain apart,
2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment
was white as the light.
3 And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.
4 Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt,
let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.
5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out
of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.
6 And when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid.
7 And Jesus came and touched them, and said, **Arise, and be not afraid.**
8 And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.
9 And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, **Tell the vision**
to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.
10 And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elias must first
come?
11 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Elias truly shall first come, and restore**
all things.
12 **But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have**
done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of
them.

13 Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.
14 ¶ And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a *certain* man,
kneeling down to him, and saying,
15 Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for ofttimes he falleth
into the fire, and oft into the water.
16 And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him.
17 Then Jesus answered and said, **O faithless and perverse generation, how long
shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.**
18 And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from
that very hour.
19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?
20 And Jesus said unto them, **Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If
ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove
hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto
you.**
21 **Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.**
22 ¶ And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, **The Son of man shall be
betrayed into the hands of men:**
23 **And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again.** And they were
exceeding sorry.
24 ¶ And when they were come to Capernaum, they that received tribute *money* came to
Peter, and said, Doth not your master pay tribute?
25 He saith, Yes. And when he was come into the house, Jesus prevented him, saying,
**What thinkest thou, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or
tribute? of their own children, or of strangers?**
26 Peter saith unto him, Of strangers. Jesus saith unto him, **Then are the children free.**
27 **Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an
hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his
mouth, thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and
thee.**

18

1 At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the
kingdom of heaven?
2 And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,
3 And said, **Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little
children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.**
4 **Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is
greatest in the kingdom of heaven.**
5 **And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.**
6 **But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better
for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in
the depth of the sea.**
7 ¶ **Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences
come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!**
8 **Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast *them* from
thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two
hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.**
9 **And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: it is better for
thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell
fire.**
10 **Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in
heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.**
11 **For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.**
12 **How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray,
doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh
that which is gone astray?**
13 **And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that *sheep*,
than of the ninety and nine which went not astray.**
14 **Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little
ones should perish.**

15 ¶ **Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault**
between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.
16 **But if he will not hear *thee, then* take with thee one or two more, that in the**
mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.
17 **And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to**
hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.
18 **Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in**
heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.
19 **Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any**
thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.
20 **For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the**
midst of them.
21 ¶ Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and
I forgive him? till seven times?
22 Jesus saith unto him, **I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy**
times seven.
23 ¶ **Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would**
take account of his servants.
24 **And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him**
ten thousand talents.
25 **But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his**
wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.
26 **The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have**
patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
27 **Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and**
forgave him the debt.
28 **But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which**
owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat,
saying, Pay me that thou owest.
29 **And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have**
patience with me, and I will pay thee all.
30 **And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.**
31 **So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came**
and told unto their lord all that was done.
32 **Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked**
servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:
33 **Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I**
had pity on thee?
34 **And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay**
all that was due unto him.
35 **So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts**
forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

19

1 And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these sayings, he departed from
Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judaea beyond Jordan;
2 And great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there.
3 ¶ The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for
a man to put away his wife for every cause?
4 And he answered and said unto them, **Have ye not read, that he which made *them***
at the beginning made them male and female,
5 **And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to**
his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?
6 **Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath**
joined together, let not man put asunder.
7 They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement,
and to put her away?
8 He saith unto them, **Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to**
put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.
9 **And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except *it be* for forni-**
cation, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her
which is put away doth commit adultery.

10 ¶ His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with *his* wife, it is not good to
marry.
11 But he said unto them, **All *men* cannot receive this saying, save *they* to whom it is
given.**
12 **For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from *their* mother's womb:
and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be
eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake.
He that is able to receive *it*, let him receive *it*.**
13 ¶ Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put *his* hands on
them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them.
14 But Jesus said, **Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for
of such is the kingdom of heaven.**
15 And he laid *his* hands on them, and departed thence.
16 ¶ And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do,
that I may have eternal life?
17 And he said unto him, **Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that
is*, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.**
18 He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, **Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not
commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,**
19 **Honour thy father and *thy* mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as
thyself.**
20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what
lack I yet?
21 Jesus said unto him, **If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to
the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come *and* follow me.**
22 But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great
possessions.
23 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, **Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall
hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.**
24 **And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle,
than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.**
25 When his disciples heard *it*, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be
saved?
26 But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, **With men this is impossible; but with
God all things are possible.**
27 ¶ Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed
thee; what shall we have therefore?
28 And Jesus said unto them, **Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me,
in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also
shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.**
29 **And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father,
or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an
hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.**
30 **But many *that are* first shall be last; and the last *shall be* first.**

20

1 **For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which went
out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.**
2 **And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into
his vineyard.**
3 **And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the
marketplace,**
4 **And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will
give you. And they went their way.**
5 **Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.**
6 **And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and
saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?**
7 **They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also
into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, *that* shall ye receive.**
8 **So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the
labourers, and give them *their* hire, beginning from the last unto the first.**

9 **And when they came that *were hired* about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.**
10 **But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny.**
11 **And when they had received *it*, they murmured against the goodman of the house,**
12 **Saying, These last have wrought *but* one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.**
13 **But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny?**
14 **Take *that* thine *is*, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.**
15 **Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good?**
16 **So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.**
17 ¶ And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,
18 **Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,**
19 **And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify *him*: and the third day he shall rise again.**
20 ¶ Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping *him*, and desiring a certain thing of him.
21 And he said unto her, **What wilt thou?** She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.
22 But Jesus answered and said, **Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?** They say unto him, We are able.
23 And he saith unto them, **Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared of my Father.**
24 And when the ten heard *it*, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.
25 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, **Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them.**
26 **But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;**
27 **And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:**
28 **Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.**
29 And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.
30 ¶ And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, *thou* Son of David.
31 And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, *thou* Son of David.
32 And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, **What will ye that I shall do unto you?**
33 They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened.
34 So Jesus had compassion *on them*, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

21

1 And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples,
2 Saying unto them, **Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose *them*, and bring *them* unto me.**
3 **And if any *man* say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them.**
4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,
5 Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.
6 And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them,

7 And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set *him*
thereon.
8 And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches
from the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.
9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the
Son of David: Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.
10 And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this?
11 And the multitude said, This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.
12 ¶ And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought
in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that
sold doves,
13 And said unto them, **It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer;
but ye have made it a den of thieves.**
14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.
15 And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the
children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; they were sore
displeased,
16 And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, **Yea; have
ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?**
17 ¶ And he left them, and went out of the city into Bethany; and he lodged there.
18 Now in the morning as he returned into the city, he hungered.
19 And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but
leaves only, and said unto it, **Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever.** And
presently the fig tree withered away.
20 And when the disciples saw *it*, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered
away!
21 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and
doubt not, ye shall not only do this *which is done* to the fig tree, but also if ye shall
say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be
done.**
22 **And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.**
23 ¶ And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people
came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority doest thou these things?
and who gave thee this authority?
24 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **I also will ask you one thing, which if ye
tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.**
25 **The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men?** And they reasoned
with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not
then believe him?
26 But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.
27 And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And he said unto them, **Neither
tell I you by what authority I do these things.**
28 ¶ **But what think ye? A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and
said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.**
29 **He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.**
30 **And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I *go*,
sir: and went not.**
31 **Whether of them twain did the will of his father?** They say unto him, The first.
Jesus saith unto them, **Verily I say unto you, That the publicans and the harlots go
into the kingdom of God before you.**
32 **For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him
not: but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen *it*,
repented not afterward, that ye might believe him.**
33 ¶ **Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a
vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a
tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country:**
34 **And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husband-
men, that they might receive the fruits of it.**
35 **And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and
stoned another.**
36 **Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them
likewise.**

37 **But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.**
38 **But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.**
39 **And they caught him, and cast *him* out of the vineyard, and slew *him*.**
40 **When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen?**
41 They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out *his* vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.
42 Jesus saith unto them, **Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?**
43 **Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.**
44 **And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.**
45 And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables, they perceived that he spake of them.
46 But when they sought to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude, because they took him for a prophet.

22

1 And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,
2 **The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,**
3 **And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.**
4 **Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and *my* fatlings *are* killed, and all things *are* ready: come unto the marriage.**
5 **But they made light of *it*, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:**
6 **And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew *them*.**
7 **But when the king heard *thereof*, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.**
8 **Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.**
9 **Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.**
10 **So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.**
11 ¶ **And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:**
12 **And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.**
13 **Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.**
14 **For many are called, but few *are* chosen.**
15 ¶ Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in *his* talk.
16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any *man*: for thou regardest not the person of men.
17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?
18 But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, **Why tempt ye me, *ye* hypocrites?**
19 **Shew me the tribute money.** And they brought unto him a penny.
20 And he saith unto them, **Whose *is* this image and superscription?**
21 They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, **Render therefore unto Cæ**sar **the things which are Cæ**sar'**s; and unto God the things that are God's.**
22 When they had heard *these words*, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.
23 ¶ The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,

24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry
his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.
25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife,
deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:
26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh.
27 And last of all the woman died also.
28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had
her.
29 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the
power of God.**
30 **For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are
as the angels of God in heaven.**
31 **But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was
spoken unto you by God, saying,**
32 **I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not
the God of the dead, but of the living.**
33 And when the multitude heard *this*, they were astonished at his doctrine.
34 ¶ But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they
were gathered together.
35 Then one of them, *which was* a lawyer, asked *him a question*, tempting him, and saying,
36 Master, which *is* the great commandment in the law?
37 Jesus said unto him, **Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with
all thy soul, and with all thy mind.**
38 **This is the first and great commandment.**
39 **And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.**
40 **On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.**
41 ¶ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,
42 Saying, **What think ye of Christ? whose son is he?** They say unto him, *The Son* of
David.
43 He saith unto them, **How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying,**
44 **The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine
enemies thy footstool?**
45 **If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?**
46 And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any *man* from that day forth
ask him any more *questions.*

23

1 Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,
2 Saying, **The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat:**
3 **All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, *that* observe and do; but do not
ye after their works: for they say, and do not.**
4 **For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay *them* on men's
shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.**
5 **But all their works they do for to be seen of men: they make broad their
phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,**
6 **And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,**
7 **And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.**
8 **But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, *even* Christ; and all ye are
brethren.**
9 **And call no *man* your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in
heaven.**
10 **Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ.**
11 **But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.**
12 **And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble
himself shall be exalted.**
13 ¶ **But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the
kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer ye
them that are entering to go in.**
14 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows'
houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater
damnation.**

15 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land**
to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child
of hell than yourselves.
16 **Woe unto you, *ye* blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple,**
it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor!
17 ***Ye* fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that**
sanctifieth the gold?
18 **And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth**
by the gift that is upon it, he is guilty.
19 ***Ye* fools and blind: for whether *is* greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth**
the gift?
20 **Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things**
thereon.
21 **And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth**
therein.
22 **And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him**
that sitteth thereon.
23 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and**
anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier *matters* of the law, judgment,
mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.
24 ***Ye* blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.**
25 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside**
of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.
26 ***Thou* blind Pharisee, cleanse first that *which is* within the cup and platter, that**
the outside of them may be clean also.
27 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited**
sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead
***men's* bones, and of all uncleanness.**
28 **Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of**
hypocrisy and iniquity.
29 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of**
the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,
30 **And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been**
partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.
31 **Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them**
which killed the prophets.
32 **Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers.**
33 ***Ye* serpents, *ye* generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?**
34 ¶ **Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and**
***some* of them ye shall kill and crucify; and *some* of them shall ye scourge in your**
synagogues, and persecute *them* from city to city:
35 **That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the**
blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew
between the temple and the altar.
36 **Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation.**
37 **O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *thou* that killest the prophets, and stonest them which**
are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as
a hen gathereth her chickens under *her* wings, and ye would not!
38 **Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.**
39 **For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed *is* he**
that cometh in the name of the Lord.

24

1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to *him* for to
shew him the buildings of the temple.
2 And Jesus said unto them, **See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There**
shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.
3 ¶ And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying,
Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign of thy coming, and of the end
of the world?
4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Take heed that no man deceive you.**
5 **For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.**

6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for
all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet.
7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there
shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.
8 All these *are* the beginning of sorrows.
9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be
hated of all nations for my name's sake.
10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate
one another.
11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.
12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.
14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness
unto all nations; and then shall the end come.
15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel
the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)
16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his
house:
18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the
world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.
22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but
for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.
23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here *is* Christ, or there; believe *it* not.
24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs
and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.
25 Behold, I have told you before.
26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth:
behold, *he is* in the secret chambers; believe *it* not.
27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so
shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.
29 ¶ Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened,
and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the
powers of the heavens shall be shaken:
30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all
the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds
of heaven with power and great glory.
31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall
gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.
32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth
forth leaves, ye know that summer *is* nigh:
33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, *even* at
the doors.
34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be
fulfilled.
35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.
36 ¶ But of that day and hour knoweth no *man*, no, not the angels of heaven, but
my Father only.
37 But as the days of Noe *were*, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking,
marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,
39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the
coming of the Son of man be.
40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
41 Two *women shall be* grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other
left.
42 ¶ Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the
thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house
to be broken up.
44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man
cometh.
45 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over
his household, to give them meat in due season?
46 Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.
47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.
48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;
49 And shall begin to smite *his* fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the
drunken;
50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and in
an hour that he is not aware of,
51 And shall cut him asunder, and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites:
there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

25

1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their
lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.
2 And five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish.
3 They that *were* foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:
4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.
5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.
6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye
out to meet him.
7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.
8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone
out.
9 But the wise answered, saying, *Not so*; lest there be not enough for us and you:
but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.
10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready
went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.
11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.
12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.
13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of
man cometh.
14 ¶ For *the kingdom of heaven is* as a man travelling into a far country, *who* called
his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.
15 And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every
man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.
16 Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and
made *them* other five talents.
17 And likewise he that *had received* two, he also gained other two.
18 But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's
money.
19 After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.
20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents,
saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside
them five talents more.
21 His lord said unto him, Well done, *thou* good and faithful servant: thou hast
been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou
into the joy of thy lord.
22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst
unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.
23 His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been
faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into
the joy of thy lord.
24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee
that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where
thou hast not strawed:

25 **And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, *there* thou hast**
that *is* thine.
26 **His lord answered and said unto him, *Thou* wicked and slothful servant, thou**
knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:
27 **Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and *then* at**
my coming I should have received mine own with usury.
28 **Take therefore the talent from him, and give *it* unto him which hath ten talents.**
29 **For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but**
from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.
30 **And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be**
weeping and gnashing of teeth.
31 ¶ **When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him,**
then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:
32 **And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one**
from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:
33 **And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.**
34 **Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my**
Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:
35 **For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink:**
I was a stranger, and ye took me in:
36 **Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye**
came unto me.
37 **Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an**
hungred, and fed *thee*? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?
38 **When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed *thee*?**
39 **Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?**
40 **And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch**
as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto
me.
41 **Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed,**
into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:
42 **For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no**
drink:
43 **I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and**
in prison, and ye visited me not.
44 **Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred,**
or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto
thee?
45 **Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did *it***
not to one of the least of these, ye did *it* not to me.
46 **And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life**
eternal.

26

1 And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples,
2 **Ye know that after two days is *the feast of* the passover, and the Son of man is**
betrayed to be crucified.
3 Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people,
unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas,
4 And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill *him*.
5 But they said, Not on the feast *day*, lest there be an uproar among the people.
6 ¶ Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper,
7 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and
poured it on his head, as he sat *at meat*.
8 But when his disciples saw *it*, they had indignation, saying, To what purpose *is* this
waste?
9 For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.
10 When Jesus understood *it*, he said unto them, **Why trouble ye the woman? for she**
hath wrought a good work upon me.
11 **For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always.**
12 **For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did *it* for my burial.**

13 **Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, *there* shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.**
14 ¶ Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests,
15 And said *unto them*, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver.
16 And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.
17 ¶ Now the first *day* of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover?
18 And he said, **Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.**
19 And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.
20 Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve.
21 And as they did eat, he said, **Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.**
22 And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every one of them to say unto him, Lord, is it I?
23 And he answered and said, **He that dippeth *his* hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me.**
24 **The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born.**
25 Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, **Thou hast said.**
26 ¶ And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake *it*, and gave *it* to the disciples, and said, **Take, eat; this is my body.**
27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, **Drink ye all of it;**
28 **For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.**
29 **But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.**
30 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.
31 Then saith Jesus unto them, **All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.**
32 **But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.**
33 Peter answered and said unto him, Though all *men* shall be offended because of thee, *yet* will I never be offended.
34 Jesus said unto him, **Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.**
35 Peter said unto him, Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee. Likewise also said all the disciples.
36 ¶ Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, **Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.**
37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.
38 Then saith he unto them, **My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.**
39 And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, **O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou *wilt*.**
40 And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, **What, could ye not watch with me one hour?**
41 **Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.**
42 He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, **O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.**
43 And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.
44 And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.
45 Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, **Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.**
46 **Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray me.**

47 ¶ And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great
multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people.
48 Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same
is he: hold him fast.
49 And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed him.
50 And Jesus said unto him, **Friend, wherefore art thou come?** Then came they, and
laid hands on Jesus, and took him.
51 And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out *his* hand, and drew his
sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear.
52 Then said Jesus unto him, **Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that
take the sword shall perish with the sword.**
53 **Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give
me more than twelve legions of angels?**
54 **But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?**
55 In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, **Are ye come out as against a thief
with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple,
and ye laid no hold on me.**
56 **But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.** Then
all the disciples forsook him, and fled.
57 ¶ And they that had laid hold on Jesus led *him* away to Caiaphas the high priest, where
the scribes and the elders were assembled.
58 But Peter followed him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with
the servants, to see the end.
59 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus,
to put him to death;
60 But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, *yet* found they none. At the
last came two false witnesses,
61 And said, This *fellow* said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three
days.
62 And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which*
these witness against thee?
63 But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure
thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.
64 Jesus saith unto him, **Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall
ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds
of heaven.**
65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further
need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.
66 What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.
67 Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote him with the palms
of their hands,
68 Saying, Prophesy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee?
69 ¶ Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also
wast with Jesus of Galilee.
70 But he denied before *them* all, saying, I know not what thou sayest.
71 And when he was gone out into the porch, another *maid* saw him, and said unto them
that were there, This *fellow* was also with Jesus of Nazareth.
72 And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man.
73 And after a while came unto *him* they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also
art *one* of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee.
74 Then began he to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not the man. And immediately the
cock crew.
75 And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow,
thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

27

1 When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel
against Jesus to put him to death:
2 And when they had bound him, they led *him* away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate
the governor.
3 ¶ Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented
himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What
is that to us? see thou *to that*.
5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged
himself.
6 And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into
the treasury, because it is the price of blood.
7 And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.
8 Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.
9 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took
the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, whom they of the children of
Israel did value;
10 And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.
11 And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the
King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, **Thou sayest.**
12 And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.
13 Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against
thee?
14 And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.
15 Now at *that* feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom
they would.
16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.
17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that
I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?
18 For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.
19 ¶ When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have
thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream
because of him.
20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barab-
bas, and destroy Jesus.
21 The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release
unto you? They said, Barabbas.
22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? *They* all
say unto him, Let him be crucified.
23 And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more,
saying, Let him be crucified.
24 ¶ When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, he
took water, and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood
of this just person: see ye *to it*.
25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood *be* on us, and on our children.
26 ¶ Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered
him to be crucified.
27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto
him the whole band *of soldiers*.
28 And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.
29 ¶ And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put *it* upon his head, and a reed
in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King
of the Jews!
30 And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.
31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own
raiment on him, and led him away to crucify *him*.
32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they
compelled to bear his cross.
33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,
34 ¶ They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted *thereof*,
he would not drink.
35 And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled
which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my
vesture did they cast lots.
36 And sitting down they watched him there;
37 And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.
38 Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another
on the left.

39 ¶ And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,
40 And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.
41 Likewise also the chief priests mocking *him*, with the scribes and elders, said,
42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.
43 He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.
44 The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.
45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.
46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, **Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?** that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?
47 Some of them that stood there, when they heard *that*, said, This *man* calleth for Elias.
48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled *it* with vinegar, and put *it* on a reed, and gave him to drink.
49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.
50 ¶ Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.
51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;
52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.
54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.
55 And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:
56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.
57 When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:
58 He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.
59 And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,
60 And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.
61 And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.
62 ¶ Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate,
63 Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.
64 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.
65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, make *it* as sure as ye can.
66 So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

28

1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.
2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.
3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:
4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead *men*.
5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.
6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.
7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.
8 And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

9 ¶ And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, **All hail.** And
they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.
10 Then said Jesus unto them, **Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into**
Galilee, and there shall they see me.
11 ¶ Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed
unto the chief priests all the things that were done.
12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large
money unto the soldiers,
13 Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him *away* while we slept.
14 And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.
15 So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly
reported among the Jews until this day.
16 ¶ Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had
appointed them.
17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.
18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, **All power is given unto me in heaven**
and in earth.
19 ¶ **Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the**
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
20 **Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and,**
lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MARK

1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God;
2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.
3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins.
5 And there went out unto him all the land of Judæa, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.
6 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;
7 And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.
8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.
9 And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan.
10 And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him:
11 And there came a voice from heaven, *saying*, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.
12 And immediately the Spirit driveth him into the wilderness.
13 And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him.
14 Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,
15 And saying, **The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.**
16 Now as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
17 And Jesus said unto them, **Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.**
18 And straightway they forsook their nets, and followed him.
19 And when he had gone a little further thence, he saw James the *son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets.
20 And straightway he called them: and they left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him.
21 And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught.
22 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.
23 And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out,
24 Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.
25 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, **Hold thy peace, and come out of him.**
26 And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him.
27 And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine *is* this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.
28 And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.
29 And forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue, they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.
30 But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her.
31 And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.
32 And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils.

33 And all the city was gathered together at the door.
34 And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and
suffered not the devils to speak, because they knew him.
35 And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into
a solitary place, and there prayed.
36 And Simon and they that were with him followed after him.
37 And when they had found him, they said unto him, All *men* seek for thee.
38 And he said unto them, **Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also:
for therefore came I forth.**
39 And he preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils.
40 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying
unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.
41 And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth *his* hand, and touched him, and saith
unto him, **I will; be thou clean.**
42 And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he
was cleansed.
43 And he straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away;
44 And saith unto him, **See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, shew thyself
to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things which Moses commanded, for
a testimony unto them.**
45 But he went out, and began to publish *it* much, and to blaze abroad the matter,
insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert
places: and they came to him from every quarter.

2

1 And again he entered into Capernaum after *some* days; and it was noised that he was
in the house.
2 And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to
receive *them*, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them.
3 And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four.
4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof
where he was: and when they had broken *it* up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of
the palsy lay.
5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, **Son, thy sins be forgiven
thee.**
6 But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts,
7 Why doth this *man* thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?
8 And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within
themselves, he said unto them, **Why reason ye these things in your hearts?**
9 **Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or
to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?**
10 **But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins,**
(he saith to the sick of the palsy,)
11 **I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.**
12 And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch
that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion.
13 And he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude resorted unto him, and
he taught them.
14 And as he passed by, he saw Levi the *son* of Alphæus sitting at the receipt of custom,
and said unto him, **Follow me.** And he arose and followed him.
15 And it came to pass, that, as Jesus sat at meat in his house, many publicans and sinners
sat also together with Jesus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him.
16 And when the scribes and Pharisees saw him eat with publicans and sinners, they said
unto his disciples, How is it that he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?
17 When Jesus heard *it*, he saith unto them, **They that are whole have no need of the
physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to
repentance.**
18 And the disciples of John and of the Pharisees used to fast: and they come and say unto
him, Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees fast, but thy disciples fast not?
19 And Jesus said unto them, **Can the children of the bridechamber fast, while the
bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they
cannot fast.**

20 **But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them,**
and then shall they fast in those days.
21 **No man also seweth a piece of new cloth on an old garment: else the new piece**
that filled it up taketh away from the old, and the rent is made worse.
22 **And no man putteth new wine into old bottles: else the new wine doth burst the**
bottles, and the wine is spilled, and the bottles will be marred: but new wine must
be put into new bottles.
23 And it came to pass, that he went through the corn fields on the sabbath day; and his
disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears of corn.
24 And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which
is not lawful?
25 And he said unto them, **Have ye never read what David did, when he had need,**
and was an hungred, he, and they that were with him?
26 **How he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and**
did eat the shewbread, which is not lawful to eat but for the priests, and gave also
to them which were with him?
27 And he said unto them, **The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the**
sabbath:
28 **Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.**

3

1 And he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a
withered hand.
2 And they watched him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might
accuse him.
3 And he saith unto the man which had the withered hand, **Stand forth.**
4 And he saith unto them, **Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil?**
to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.
5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the
hardness of their hearts, he saith unto the man, **Stretch forth thine hand.** And he
stretched *it* out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.
6 And the Pharisees went forth, and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against
him, how they might destroy him.
7 But Jesus withdrew himself with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from
Galilee followed him, and from Judæa,
8 And from Jerusalem, and from Idumaea, and *from* beyond Jordan; and they about Tyre
and Sidon, a great multitude, when they had heard what great things he did, came unto
him.
9 And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the
multitude, lest they should throng him.
10 For he had healed many; insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him, as
many as had plagues.
11 And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, Thou
art the Son of God.
12 And he straitly charged them that they should not make him known.
13 And he goeth up into a mountain, and calleth *unto him* whom he would: and they came
unto him.
14 And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them
forth to preach,
15 And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils:
16 And Simon he surnamed Peter;
17 And James the *son* of Zebedee, and John the brother of James; and he surnamed them
Boanerges, which is, The sons of thunder:
18 And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the
son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Canaanite,
19 And Judas Iscariot, which also betrayed him: and they went into an house.
20 And the multitude cometh together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread.
21 And when his friends heard *of it*, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, He is
beside himself.
22 ¶ And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem said, He hath Beelzebub, and by
the prince of the devils casteth he out devils.

23 And he called them *unto him*, and said unto them in parables, **How can Satan cast out**
Satan?
24 **And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.**
25 **And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.**
26 **And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath**
an end.
27 **No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will**
first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house.
28 **Verily I say unto you, All sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and**
blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme:
29 **But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but**
is in danger of eternal damnation:
30 Because they said, He hath an unclean spirit.
31 ¶ There came then his brethren and his mother, and, standing without, sent unto him,
calling him.
32 And the multitude sat about him, and they said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy
brethren without seek for thee.
33 And he answered them, saying, **Who is my mother, or my brethren?**
34 And he looked round about on them which sat about him, and said, **Behold my**
mother and my brethren!
35 **For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister,**
and mother.

4

1 And he began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great
multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was
by the sea on the land.
2 And he taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in his doctrine,
3 **Hearken; Behold, there went out a sower to sow:**
4 **And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the**
air came and devoured it up.
5 **And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately**
it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth:
6 **But when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered**
away.
7 **And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it**
yielded no fruit.
8 **And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased;**
and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred.
9 And he said unto them, **He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.**
10 And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the
parable.
11 And he said unto them, **Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom**
of God: but unto them that are without, all *these* things are done in parables:
12 **That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and**
not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and *their* sins should be
forgiven them.
13 And he said unto them, **Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all**
parables?
14 ¶ **The sower soweth the word.**
15 **And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have**
heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their
hearts.
16 **And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they**
have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness;
17 **And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward,**
when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are
offended.
18 **And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word,**
19 **And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of**
other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.

20 **And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and**
receive *it*, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.
21 ¶ And he said unto them, **Is a candle brought to be put under a bushel, or under a**
bed? and not to be set on a candlestick?
22 **For there is nothing hid, which shall not be manifested; neither was any thing**
kept secret, but that it should come abroad.
23 **If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.**
24 And he said unto them, **Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it**
shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.
25 **For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be**
taken even that which he hath.
26 ¶ And he said, **So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the**
ground;
27 **And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow**
up, he knoweth not how.
28 **For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after**
that the full corn in the ear.
29 **But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle,**
because the harvest is come.
30 ¶ And he said, **Whereunto shall we liken the kingdom of God? or with what**
comparison shall we compare it?
31 ***It is* like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, is less than**
all the seeds that be in the earth:
32 **But when it is sown, it groweth up, and becometh greater than all herbs, and**
shooteth out great branches; so that the fowls of the air may lodge under the
shadow of it.
33 And with many such parables spake he the word unto them, as they were able to hear
it.
34 But without a parable spake he not unto them: and when they were alone, he
expounded all things to his disciples.
35 And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, **Let us pass over**
unto the other side.
36 And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship.
And there were also with him other little ships.
37 And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was
now full.
38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and
say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?
39 And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, **Peace, be still.** And the
wind ceased, and there was a great calm.
40 And he said unto them, **Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?**
41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that
even the wind and the sea obey him?

5

1 And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes.
2 And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a
man with an unclean spirit,
3 Who had *his* dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with
chains:
4 Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been
plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any *man* tame him.
5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and
cutting himself with stones.
6 But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him,
7 And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of
the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not.
8 For he said unto him, **Come out of the man, *thou* unclean spirit.**
9 And he asked him, **What *is* thy name?** And he answered, saying, My name *is* Legion:
for we are many.
10 And he besought him much that he would not send them away out of the country.
11 Now there was there nigh unto the mountains a great herd of swine feeding.

12 And all the devils besought him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into
them.
13 And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered
into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about
two thousand;) and were choked in the sea.
14 And they that fed the swine fled, and told *it* in the city, and in the country. And they
went out to see what it was that was done.
15 And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the
legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.
16 And they that saw *it* told them how it befell to him that was possessed with the devil,
and *also* concerning the swine.
17 And they began to pray him to depart out of their coasts.
18 And when he was come into the ship, he that had been possessed with the devil prayed
him that he might be with him.
19 Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, **Go home to thy friends, and tell
them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on
thee.**
20 And he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus had done
for him: and all *men* did marvel.
21 And when Jesus was passed over again by ship unto the other side, much people
gathered unto him: and he was nigh unto the sea.
22 And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and
when he saw him, he fell at his feet,
23 And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: *I pray
thee*, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.
24 And *Jesus* went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him.
25 And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,
26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and
was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,
27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.
28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.
29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that
she was healed of that plague.
30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned
him about in the press, and said, **Who touched my clothes?**
31 And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest
thou, Who touched me?
32 And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.
33 But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell
down before him, and told him all the truth.
34 And he said unto her, **Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and
be whole of thy plague.**
35 While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's *house certain* which
said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further?
36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the
synagogue, **Be not afraid, only believe.**
37 And he suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John the brother of
James.
38 And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and
them that wept and wailed greatly.
39 And when he was come in, he saith unto them, **Why make ye this ado, and weep?
the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.**
40 And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father
and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the
damsel was lying.
41 And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, **Talitha cumi;** which is, being
interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.
42 And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was *of the age* of twelve years.
And they were astonished with a great astonishment.
43 And he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and commanded that
something should be given her to eat.

6

1 And he went out from thence, and came into his own country; and his disciples follow
him.
2 And when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many
hearing *him* were astonished, saying, From whence hath this *man* these things? and what
wisdom *is* this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his
hands?
3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda,
and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him.
4 But Jesus said unto them, **A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country,
and among his own kin, and in his own house.**
5 And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk,
and healed *them*.
6 And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages,
teaching.
7 ¶ And he called *unto him* the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and
gave them power over unclean spirits;
8 And commanded them that they should take nothing for *their* journey, save a staff only;
no scrip, no bread, no money in *their* purse:
9 But *be* shod with sandals; and not put on two coats.
10 And he said unto them, **In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide
till ye depart from that place.**
11 **And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence,
shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto
you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment,
than for that city.**
12 And they went out, and preached that men should repent.
13 And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed
them.
14 And king Herod heard *of him*; (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John
the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves
in him.
15 Others said, That it is Elias. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the
prophets.
16 But when Herod heard *thereof*, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from
the dead.
17 For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison
for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.
18 For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.
19 Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she
could not:
20 For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him;
and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.
21 And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to
his lords, high captains, and chief *estates* of Galilee;
22 And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod
and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt,
and I will give *it* thee.
23 And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give *it* thee, unto the
half of my kingdom.
24 And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head
of John the Baptist.
25 And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that
thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.
26 And the king was exceeding sorry; *yet* for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat
with him, he would not reject her.
27 And immediately the king sent an executioner, and commanded his head to be
brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison,
28 And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to
her mother.
29 And when his disciples heard *of it*, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a
tomb.

30 And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both
what they had done, and what they had taught.
31 And he said unto them, **Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a
while:** for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.
32 And they departed into a desert place by ship privately.
33 And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of
all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto him.
34 And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion
toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach
them many things.
35 And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a
desert place, and now the time *is* far passed:
36 Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages,
and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat.
37 He answered and said unto them, **Give ye them to eat.** And they say unto him, Shall
we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?
38 He saith unto them, **How many loaves have ye? go and see.** And when they knew,
they say, Five, and two fishes.
39 And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.
40 And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties.
41 And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and
blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave *them* to his disciples to set before them; and the
two fishes divided he among them all.
42 And they did all eat, and were filled.
43 And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.
44 And they that did eat of the loaves were about five thousand men.
45 And straightway he constrained his disciples to get into the ship, and to go to the other
side before unto Bethsaida, while he sent away the people.
46 And when he had sent them away, he departed into a mountain to pray.
47 And when even was come, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and he alone on the
land.
48 And he saw them toiling in rowing; for the wind was contrary unto them: and about
the fourth watch of the night he cometh unto them, walking upon the sea, and would have
passed by them.
49 But when they saw him walking upon the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, and
cried out:
50 For they all saw him, and were troubled. And immediately he talked with them, and
saith unto them, **Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.**
51 And he went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore
amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered.
52 For they considered not *the miracle* of the loaves: for their heart was hardened.
53 And when they had passed over, they came into the land of Gennesaret, and drew to
the shore.
54 And when they were come out of the ship, straightway they knew him,
55 And ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds
those that were sick, where they heard he was.
56 And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in
the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment:
and as many as touched him were made whole.

7

1 Then came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came
from Jerusalem.
2 And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say, with
unwashen, hands, they found fault.
3 For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash *their* hands oft, eat not, holding
the tradition of the elders.
4 And *when they come* from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other
things there be, which they have received to hold, *as* the washing of cups, and pots, brasen
vessels, and of tables.
5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the
tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?

6 He answered and said unto them, **Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites,**
as it is written, This people honoureth me with *their* lips, but their heart is far from
me.
7 **Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments**
of men.
8 **For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, *as* the**
washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.
9 And he said unto them, **Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may**
keep your own tradition.
10 **For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father**
or mother, let him die the death:
11 **But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, *It is* Corban, that is to say,**
a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; *he shall be free*.
12 **And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;**
13 **Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have**
delivered: and many such like things do ye.
14 ¶ And when he had called all the people *unto him*, he said unto them, **Hearken unto**
me every one *of you*, and understand:
15 **There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but**
the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man.
16 **If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.**
17 And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him
concerning the parable.
18 And he saith unto them, **Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not**
perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, *it* cannot
defile him;
19 **Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the**
draught, purging all meats?
20 And he said, **That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.**
21 **For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries,**
fornications, murders,
22 **Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blas-**
phemy, pride, foolishness:
23 **All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.**
24 ¶ And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered
into an house, and would have no man know *it*: but he could not be hid.
25 For a *certain* woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and
came and fell at his feet:
26 The woman was a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he
would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.
27 But Jesus said unto her, **Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take**
the children's bread, and to cast *it* unto the dogs.
28 And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the
children's crumbs.
29 And he said unto her, **For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy**
daughter.
30 And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter
laid upon the bed.
31 ¶ And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of
Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis.
32 And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and
they beseech him to put his hand upon him.
33 And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit,
and touched his tongue;
34 And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, **Ephphatha,** that is, Be
opened.
35 And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he
spake plain.
36 And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so
much the more a great deal they published *it*;
37 And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh
both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

8

1 In those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his
disciples *unto him*, and saith unto them,
2 **I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three
days, and have nothing to eat:**
3 **And if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way:
for divers of them came from far.**
4 And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these *men* with bread
here in the wilderness?
5 And he asked them, **How many loaves have ye?** And they said, Seven.
6 And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground: and he took the seven loaves,
and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before *them*; and they did set
them before the people.
7 And they had a few small fishes: and he blessed, and commanded to set them also
before *them*.
8 So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left seven
baskets.
9 And they that had eaten were about four thousand: and he sent them away.
10 ¶ And straightway he entered into a ship with his disciples, and came into the parts of
Dalmanutha.
11 And the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, seeking of him a sign
from heaven, tempting him.
12 And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and saith, **Why doth this generation seek after a
sign? verily I say unto you, There shall no sign be given unto this generation.**
13 And he left them, and entering into the ship again departed to the other side.
14 ¶ Now *the disciples* had forgotten to take bread, neither had they in the ship with them
more than one loaf.
15 And he charged them, saying, **Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees,
and *of* the leaven of Herod.**
16 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have no bread.
17 And when Jesus knew *it*, he saith unto them, **Why reason ye, because ye have no
bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened?**
18 **Having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and do ye not remember?**
19 **When I brake the five loaves among five thousand, how many baskets full of
fragments took ye up?** They say unto him, Twelve.
20 **And when the seven among four thousand, how many baskets full of fragments
took ye up?** And they said, Seven.
21 And he said unto them, **How is it that ye do not understand?**
22 ¶ And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought
him to touch him.
23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had
spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought.
24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.
25 After that he put *his* hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was
restored, and saw every man clearly.
26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, **Neither go into the town, nor tell *it* to
any in the town.**
27 ¶ And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Cæsarea Philippi: and by the
way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, **Whom do men say that I am?**
28 And they answered, John the Baptist: but some *say*, Elias; and others, One of the
prophets.
29 And he saith unto them, **But whom say ye that I am?** And Peter answereth and saith
unto him, Thou art the Christ.
30 And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.
31 And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be
rejected of the elders, and *of* the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three
days rise again.
32 And he spake that saying openly. And Peter took him, and began to rebuke him.
33 But when he had turned about and looked on his disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying,
**Get thee behind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the
things that be of men.**

34 ¶ And when he had called the people *unto him* with his disciples also, he said unto
them, **Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross,**
and follow me.
35 **For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life**
for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it.
36 **For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own**
soul?
37 **Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?**
38 **Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulter-**
ous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he
cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

9

1 And he said unto them, **Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand**
here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come
with power.
2 ¶ And after six days Jesus taketh *with him* Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them
up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.
3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can
white them.
4 And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus.
5 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us
make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.
6 For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.
7 And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud,
saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.
8 And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save
Jesus only with themselves.
9 And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no
man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.
10 And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the
rising from the dead should mean.
11 ¶ And they asked him, saying, Why say the scribes that Elias must first come?
12 And he answered and told them, **Elias verily cometh first, and restoreth all things;**
and how it is written of the Son of man, that he must suffer many things, and be set
at nought.
13 **But I say unto you, That Elias is indeed come, and they have done unto him**
whatsoever they listed, as it is written of him.
14 ¶ And when he came to *his* disciples, he saw a great multitude about them, and the
scribes questioning with them.
15 And straightway all the people, when they beheld him, were greatly amazed, and
running to *him* saluted him.
16 And he asked the scribes, **What question ye with them?**
17 And one of the multitude answered and said, Master, I have brought unto thee my son,
which hath a dumb spirit;
18 And wheresoever he taketh him, he teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with
his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples that they should cast him out; and
they could not.
19 He answereth him, and saith, **O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you?**
how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me.
20 And they brought him unto him: and when he saw him, straightway the spirit tare
him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed foaming.
21 And he asked his father, **How long is it ago since this came unto him?** And he said,
Of a child.
22 And ofttimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if
thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us.
23 Jesus said unto him, **If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that**
believeth.
24 And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe;
help thou mine unbelief.

25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit,
saying unto him, ***Thou*** **dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and**
enter no more into him.
26 And *the spirit* cried, and rent him sore, and came out of him: and he was as one dead;
insomuch that many said, He is dead.
27 But Jesus took him by the hand, and lifted him up; and he arose.
28 And when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, Why could
not we cast him out?
29 And he said unto them, **This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and**
fasting.
30 ¶ And they departed thence, and passed through Galilee; and he would not that any
man should know *it*.
31 For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, **The Son of man is delivered into**
the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise
the third day.
32 But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him.
33 ¶ And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, **What was it**
that ye disputed among yourselves by the way?
34 But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who
should be the greatest.
35 And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, **If any man desire to be**
first, *the same* shall be last of all, and servant of all.
36 And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when he had taken him in
his arms, he said unto them,
37 **Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and**
whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.
38 ¶ And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name,
and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us.
39 But Jesus said, **Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my**
name, that can lightly speak evil of me.
40 **For he that is not against us is on our part.**
41 **For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye**
belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.
42 **And whosoever shall offend one of *these* little ones that believe in me, it is**
better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into
the sea.
43 **And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life**
maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be
quenched:
44 **Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.**
45 **And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life,**
than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:
46 **Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.**
47 **And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the**
kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:
48 **Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.**
49 **For every one shall be salted with fire, and every sacrifice shall be salted with**
salt.
50 **Salt *is* good: but if the salt have lost his saltness, wherewith will ye season it?**
Have salt in yourselves, and have peace one with another.

10

1 And he arose from thence, and cometh into the coasts of Judæa by the farther side of
Jordan: and the people resort unto him again; and, as he was wont, he taught them again.
2 ¶ And the Pharisees came to him, and asked him, Is it lawful for a man to put away *his*
wife? tempting him.
3 And he answered and said unto them, **What did Moses command you?**
4 And they said, Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put her away.
5 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **For the hardness of your heart he wrote**
you this precept.
6 **But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.**
7 **For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;**

8 **And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.**
9 **What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.**
10 And in the house his disciples asked him again of the same *matter*.
11 And he saith unto them, **Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.**
12 **And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.**
13 ¶ And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and *his* disciples rebuked those that brought *them*.
14 But when Jesus saw *it*, he was much displeased, and said unto them, **Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.**
15 **Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.**
16 And he took them up in his arms, put *his* hands upon them, and blessed them.
17 ¶ And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?
18 And Jesus said unto him, **Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God.**
19 **Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.**
20 And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth.
21 Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, **One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.**
22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.
23 ¶ And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, **How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!**
24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, **Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!**
25 **It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.**
26 And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?
27 And Jesus looking upon them saith, **With men *it is* impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.**
28 ¶ Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.
29 And Jesus answered and said, **Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,**
30 **But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.**
31 **But many *that are* first shall be last; and the last first.**
32 ¶ And they were in the way going up to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid. And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him,
33 *Saying,* **Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:**
34 **And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.**
35 ¶ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire.
36 And he said unto them, **What would ye that I should do for you?**
37 They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.
38 But Jesus said unto them, **Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?**
39 And they said unto him, We can. And Jesus said unto them, **Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized:**

40 **But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared.**
41 And when the ten heard *it*, they began to be much displeased with James and John.
42 But Jesus called them *to him*, and saith unto them, **Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.**
43 **But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:**
44 **And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.**
45 **For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.**
46 ¶ And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimæus, the son of Timæus, sat by the highway side begging.
47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, *thou* Son of David, have mercy on me.
48 And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on me.
49 And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee.
50 And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus.
51 And Jesus answered and said unto him, **What wilt thou that I should do unto thee?** The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight.
52 And Jesus said unto him, **Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole.** And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

11

1 And when they came nigh to Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his disciples,
2 And saith unto them, **Go your way into the village over against you: and as soon as ye be entered into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon never man sat; loose him, and bring *him*.**
3 **And if any man say unto you, Why do ye this? say ye that the Lord hath need of him; and straightway he will send him hither.**
4 And they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door without in a place where two ways met; and they loose him.
5 And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do ye, loosing the colt?
6 And they said unto them even as Jesus had commanded: and they let them go.
7 And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him; and he sat upon him.
8 And many spread their garments in the way: and others cut down branches off the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.
9 And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord:
10 Blessed *be* the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.
11 And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.
12 ¶ And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry:
13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not *yet*.
14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, **No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever.** And his disciples heard *it*.
15 ¶ And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;
16 And would not suffer that any man should carry *any* vessel through the temple.
17 And he taught, saying unto them, **Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.**
18 And the scribes and chief priests heard *it*, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.
19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.

20 ¶ And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.
21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.
22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, **Have faith in God.**
23 **For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.**
24 **Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*.**
25 **And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.**
26 **But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.**
27 ¶ And they come again to Jerusalem: and as he was walking in the temple, there come to him the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders,
28 And say unto him, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority to do these things?
29 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **I will also ask of you one question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.**
30 **The baptism of John, was *it* from heaven, or of men? answer me.**
31 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him?
32 But if we shall say, Of men; they feared the people: for all *men* counted John, that he was a prophet indeed.
33 And they answered and said unto Jesus, We cannot tell. And Jesus answering saith unto them, **Neither do I tell you by what authority I do these things.**

12

1 And he began to speak unto them by parables. **A *certain* man planted a vineyard, and set an hedge about *it*, and digged *a place for* the winefat, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country.**
2 **And at the season he sent to the husbandmen a servant, that he might receive from the husbandmen of the fruit of the vineyard.**
3 **And they caught *him*, and beat him, and sent *him* away empty.**
4 **And again he sent unto them another servant; and at him they cast stones, and wounded *him* in the head, and sent *him* away shamefully handled.**
5 **And again he sent another; and him they killed, and many others; beating some, and killing some.**
6 **Having yet therefore one son, his wellbeloved, he sent him also last unto them, saying, They will reverence my son.**
7 **But those husbandmen said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be ours.**
8 **And they took him, and killed *him*, and cast *him* out of the vineyard.**
9 **What shall therefore the lord of the vineyard do? he will come and destroy the husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others.**
10 **And have ye not read this scripture; The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner:**
11 **This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?**
12 And they sought to lay hold on him, but feared the people: for they knew that he had spoken the parable against them: and they left him, and went their way.
13 ¶ And they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, to catch him in *his* words.
14 And when they were come, they say unto him, Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man: for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth: Is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not?
15 Shall we give, or shall we not give? But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, **Why tempt ye me? bring me a penny, that I may see *it*.**
16 And they brought *it*. And he saith unto them, **Whose *is* this image and superscription?** And they said unto him, Cæsar's.
17 And Jesus answering said unto them, **Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's.** And they marvelled at him.

18 ¶ Then come unto him the Sadducees, which say there is no resurrection; and they
asked him, saying,
19 Master, Moses wrote unto us, If a man's brother die, and leave *his* wife *behind him*, and
leave no children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.
20 Now there were seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed.
21 And the second took her, and died, neither left he any seed: and the third likewise.
22 And the seven had her, and left no seed: last of all the woman died also.
23 In the resurrection therefore, when they shall rise, whose wife shall she be of them?
for the seven had her to wife.
24 And Jesus answering said unto them, **Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not
the scriptures, neither the power of God?**
25 **For when they shall rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in
marriage; but are as the angels which are in heaven.**
26 **And as touching the dead, that they rise: have ye not read in the book of Moses,
how in the bush God spake unto him, saying, I *am* the God of Abraham, and the God
of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?**
27 **He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living: ye therefore do greatly
err.**
28 ¶ And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and
perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment
of all?
29 And Jesus answered him, **The first of all the commandments *is*, Hear, O Israel;
The Lord our God is one Lord:**
30 **And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul,
and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment.**
31 **And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
There is none other commandment greater than these.**
32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one
God; and there is none other but he:
33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the
soul, and with all the strength, and to love *his* neighbour as himself, is more than all whole
burnt offerings and sacrifices.
34 And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, **Thou art not far
from the kingdom of God.** And no man after that durst ask him *any question.*
35 ¶ And Jesus answered and said, while he taught in the temple, **How say the scribes
that Christ is the Son of David?**
36 **For David himself said by the Holy Ghost, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou
on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool.**
37 **David therefore himself calleth him Lord; and whence is he *then* his son? And
the common people heard him gladly.**
38 ¶ And he said unto them in his doctrine, **Beware of the scribes, which love to go in
long clothing, and *love* salutations in the marketplaces,**
39 **And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the uppermost rooms at feasts:**
40 **Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these
shall receive greater damnation.**
41 ¶ And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into
the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much.
42 And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which make a
farthing.
43 And he called *unto him* his disciples, and saith unto them, **Verily I say unto you, That
this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:**
44 **For all *they* did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all
that she had, *even* all her living.**

13

1 And as he went out of the temple, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, see what
manner of stones and what buildings *are here*!
2 And Jesus answering said unto him, **Seest thou these great buildings? there shall
not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**
3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple, Peter and James and
John and Andrew asked him privately,

4 Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign when all these things
shall be fulfilled?
5 And Jesus answering them began to say, **Take heed lest any *man* deceive you:**
6 **For many shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ*; and shall deceive many.**
7 **And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for
such things must needs be; but the end *shall* not *be* yet.**
8 **For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there
shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles:
these *are* the beginnings of sorrows.**
9 ¶ **But take heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in
the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings
for my sake, for a testimony against them.**
10 **And the gospel must first be published among all nations.**
11 **But when they shall lead *you*, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand
what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you
in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.**
12 **Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and
children shall rise up against *their* parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.**
13 **And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that shall endure
unto the end, the same shall be saved.**
14 ¶ **But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the
prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let
them that be in Judæa flee to the mountains:**
15 **And let him that is on the housetop not go down into the house, neither enter
therein, to take any thing out of his house:**
16 **And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up his garment.**
17 **But woe to them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!**
18 **And pray ye that your flight be not in the winter.**
19 **For *in* those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the
creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.**
20 **And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved:
but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.**
21 **And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here *is* Christ; or, lo, *he is* there; believe
him not:**
22 **For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and
wonders, to seduce, if *it were* possible, even the elect.**
23 **But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.**
24 ¶ **But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the
moon shall not give her light,**
25 **And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be
shaken.**
26 **And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power
and glory.**
27 **And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the
four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.**
28 **Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth
forth leaves, ye know that summer is near:**
29 **So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it
is nigh, *even* at the doors.**
30 **Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be
done.**
31 **Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.**
32 ¶ **But of that day and *that* hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are
in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.**
33 **Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.**
34 ***For the Son of man is* as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave
authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter
to watch.**
35 **Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at
even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:**
36 **Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.**
37 **And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.**

14

1 After two days was *the feast of* the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief
priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put *him* to death.
2 But they said, Not on the feast *day*, lest there be an uproar of the people.
3 ¶ And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came
a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake
the box, and poured *it* on his head.
4 And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this
waste of the ointment made?
5 For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given
to the poor. And they murmured against her.
6 And Jesus said, **Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work
on me.**
7 **For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them
good: but me ye have not always.**
8 **She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the
burying.**
9 **Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the
whole world, *this* also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.**
10 ¶ And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto
them.
11 And when they heard *it*, they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he
sought how he might conveniently betray him.
12 ¶ And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples
said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare that thou mayest eat the passover?
13 And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, **Go ye into the city,
and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him.**
14 **And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master
saith, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?**
15 **And he will shew you a large upper room furnished *and* prepared: there make
ready for us.**
16 And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto
them: and they made ready the passover.
17 And in the evening he cometh with the twelve.
18 And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, **Verily I say unto you, One of you which
eateth with me shall betray me.**
19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, *Is* it I? and another
said, Is it I?
20 And he answered and said unto them, ***It is* one of the twelve, that dippeth with me
in the dish.**
21 **The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by
whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been
born.**
22 ¶ And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake *it*, and gave to them,
and said, **Take, eat: this is my body.**
23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave *it* to them: and they all
drank of it.
24 And he said unto them, **This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for
many.**
25 **Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day
that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.**
26 ¶ And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.
27 And Jesus saith unto them, **All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for
it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.**
28 **But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee.**
29 But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet *will* not I.
30 And Jesus saith unto him, **Verily I say unto thee, That this day, *even* in this night,
before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.**
31 But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any
wise. Likewise also said they all.
32 And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples,
Sit ye here, while I shall pray.

33 And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and
to be very heavy;
34 And saith unto them, **My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here,
and watch.**
35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible,
the hour might pass from him.
36 And he said, **Abba, Father, all things *are* possible unto thee; take away this cup
from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.**
37 And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, **Simon, sleepest
thou? couldest not thou watch one hour?**
38 **Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly *is* ready, but
the flesh *is* weak.**
39 And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words.
40 And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,)
neither wist they what to answer him.
41 And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, **Sleep on now, and take *your*
rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the
hands of sinners.**
42 **Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand.**
43 ¶ And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him
a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the
elders.
44 And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss,
that same is he; take him, and lead *him* away safely.
45 And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master;
and kissed him.
46 ¶ And they laid their hands on him, and took him.
47 And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest,
and cut off his ear.
48 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Are ye come out, as against a thief, with
swords and *with* staves to take me?**
49 **I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the
scriptures must be fulfilled.**
50 And they all forsook him, and fled.
51 And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about *his* naked
body; and the young men laid hold on him:
52 And he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked.
53 ¶ And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief
priests and the elders and the scribes.
54 And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest: and he sat with
the servants, and warmed himself at the fire.
55 And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to
death; and found none.
56 For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together.
57 And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying,
58 We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three
days I will build another made without hands.
59 But neither so did their witness agree together.
60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou
nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?
61 But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and
said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?
62 And Jesus said, **I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of
power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.**
63 Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?
64 Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty
of death.
65 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto
him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands.
66 ¶ And as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high
priest:

67 And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou
also wast with Jesus of Nazareth.
68 But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went
out into the porch; and the cock crew.
69 And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is *one* of them.
70 And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely
thou art *one* of them: for thou art a Galilaean, and thy speech agreeth *thereto*.
71 But he began to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not this man of whom ye speak.
72 And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said
unto him, **Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.** And when he thought
thereon, he wept.

15

1 And straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders
and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried *him* away, and delivered
him to Pilate.
2 And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him,
Thou sayest *it*.
3 And the chief priests accused him of many things: but he answered nothing.
4 And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things
they witness against thee.
5 But Jesus yet answered nothing; so that Pilate marvelled.
6 Now at *that* feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired.
7 And there was *one* named Barabbas, *which lay* bound with them that had made
insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection.
8 And the multitude crying aloud began to desire *him to do* as he had ever done unto
them.
9 But Pilate answered them, saying, Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews?
10 For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy.
11 But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto
them.
12 And Pilate answered and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do *unto*
him whom ye call the King of the Jews?
13 And they cried out again, Crucify him.
14 Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more
exceedingly, Crucify him.
15 ¶ And *so* Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and
delivered Jesus, when he had scourged *him*, to be crucified.
16 And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Prætorium; and they call together
the whole band.
17 And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his
head,
18 And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!
19 And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing *their*
knees worshipped him.
20 And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own
clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.
21 And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the
father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross.
22 And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of
a skull.
23 And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received *it* not.
24 And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them,
what every man should take.
25 And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.
26 And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS.
27 And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his
left.
28 And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgres-
sors.
29 And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that
destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days,

30 Save thyself, and come down from the cross.
31 Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save.
32 Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.
33 And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.
34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, **Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?** which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?
35 And some of them that stood by, when they heard *it*, said, Behold, he calleth Elias.
36 And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put *it* on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down.
37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.
38 And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.
39 ¶ And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.
40 There were also women looking on afar off: among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome;
41 (Who also, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered unto him;) and many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem.
42 ¶ And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,
43 Joseph of Arimathaea, an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.
44 And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling *unto him* the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead.
45 And when he knew *it* of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph.
46 And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.
47 And Mary Magdalene and Mary *the mother* of Joses beheld where he was laid.

16

1 And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the *mother* of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.
2 And very early in the morning the first *day* of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.
3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?
4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.
5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.
6 And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.
7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.
8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any *man*; for they were afraid.
9 ¶ Now when *Jesus* was risen early the first *day* of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.
10 *And* she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept.
11 And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.
12 ¶ After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.
13 And they went and told *it* unto the residue: neither believed they them.
14 ¶ Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.
15 And he said unto them, **Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.**

16 **He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall**
be damned.
17 **And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out**
devils; they shall speak with new tongues;
18 **They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt**
them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.
19 ¶ So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and
sat on the right hand of God.
20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with *them*, and
confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

1 Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those
things which are most surely believed among us,
2 Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and
ministers of the word;
3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very
first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,
4 That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been
instructed.
5 ¶ There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judæa, a certain priest named Zacharias, of
the course of Abia: and his wife *was* of the daughters of Aaron, and her name *was* Elisabeth.
6 And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and
ordinances of the Lord blameless.
7 And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were *now* well
stricken in years.
8 And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of
his course,
9 According to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went
into the temple of the Lord.
10 And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense.
11 And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the
altar of incense.
12 And when Zacharias saw *him*, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.
13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife
Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.
14 And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth.
15 For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong
drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.
16 And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.
17 And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the
fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a
people prepared for the Lord.
18 And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man,
and my wife well stricken in years.
19 And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of
God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.
20 And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things
shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their
season.
21 And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the
temple.
22 And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had
seen a vision in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless.
23 And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished,
he departed to his own house.
24 And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying,
25 Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on *me*, to take away
my reproach among men.
26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee,
named Nazareth,
27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the
virgin's name *was* Mary.
28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord
is with thee: blessed *art* thou among women.
29 And when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what
manner of salutation this should be.
30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.
31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his
name JESUS.

32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall
give unto him the throne of his father David:
33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be
no end.
34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?
35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and
the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall
be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.
36 And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and
this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.
37 For with God nothing shall be impossible.
38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word.
And the angel departed from her.
39 And Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of
Juda;
40 And entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth.
41 And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped
in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost:
42 And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed *art* thou among women, and
blessed *is* the fruit of thy womb.
43 And whence *is* this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
44 For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in
my womb for joy.
45 And blessed *is* she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which
were told her from the Lord.
46 And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,
47 And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
48 For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth
all generations shall call me blessed.
49 For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy *is* his name.
50 And his mercy *is* on them that fear him from generation to generation.
51 He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination
of their hearts.
52 He hath put down the mighty from *their* seats, and exalted them of low degree.
53 He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.
54 He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of *his* mercy;
55 As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.
56 And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own house.
57 Now Elisabeth's full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a
son.
58 And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy
upon her; and they rejoiced with her.
59 And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they
called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.
60 And his mother answered and said, Not *so*; but he shall be called John.
61 And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.
62 And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called.
63 And he asked for a writing table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they
marvelled all.
64 And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue *loosed*, and he spake, and
praised God.
65 And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all these sayings were noised
abroad throughout all the hill country of Judæa.
66 And all they that heard *them* laid *them* up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child
shall this be! And the hand of the Lord was with him.
67 And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying,
68 Blessed *be* the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people,
69 And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David;
70 As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began:
71 That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;
72 To perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;
73 The oath which he sware to our father Abraham,

74 That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies
might serve him without fear,
75 In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.
76 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the
face of the Lord to prepare his ways;
77 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins,
78 Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath
visited us,
79 To give light to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to guide our feet
into the way of peace.
80 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his
shewing unto Israel.

2

1 And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus,
that all the world should be taxed.
2 (*And* this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)
3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.
4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto
the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of
David:)
5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.
6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should
be delivered.
7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and
laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.
8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over
their flock by night.
9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round
about them: and they were sore afraid.
10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great
joy, which shall be to all people.
11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
12 And this *shall be* a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes,
lying in a manger.
13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God,
and saying,
14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the
shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing
which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.
17 And when they had seen *it*, they made known abroad the saying which was told them
concerning this child.
18 And all they that heard *it* wondered at those things which were told them by the
shepherds.
19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered *them* in her heart.
20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they
had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.
21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name
was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.
22 And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accom-
plished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord;
23 (As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be
called holy to the Lord;)
24 And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of
turtledoves, or two young pigeons.
25 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name *was* Simeon; and the same
man *was* just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was
upon him.
26 And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before
he had seen the Lord's Christ.

27 And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child
Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,
28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,
29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word:
30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.
33 And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.
34 And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this *child* is set for
the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against;
35 (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts
may be revealed.
36 And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser:
she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity;
37 And she *was* a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the
temple, but served *God* with fastings and prayers night and day.
38 And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him
to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem.
39 And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they
returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.
40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of
God was upon him.
41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.
42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the
feast.
43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind
in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not *of it*.
44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they
sought him among *their* kinsfolk and acquaintance.
45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.
46 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the
midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.
47 And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.
48 And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why
hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.
49 And he said unto them, **How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be
about my Father's business?**
50 And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.
51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but
his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.
52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

3

1 Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of
Judæa, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituraea and
of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene,
2 Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of
Zacharias in the wilderness.
3 And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance
for the remission of sins;
4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one
crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the
crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways *shall be* made smooth;
6 And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.
7 Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of
vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?
8 Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within your-
selves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, That God is able of these stones
to raise up children unto Abraham.
9 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: every tree therefore which
bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

10 And the people asked him, saying, What shall we do then?
11 He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.
12 Then came also publicans to be baptized, and said unto him, Master, what shall we do?
13 And he said unto them, Exact no more than that which is appointed you.
14 And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, Do violence to no man, neither accuse *any* falsely; and be content with your wages.
15 And as the people were in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;
16 John answered, saying unto *them* all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:
17 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.
18 And many other things in his exhortation preached he unto the people.
19 But Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by him for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done,
20 Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.
21 Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,
22 And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.
23 And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was *the son* of Heli,
24 Which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi, which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Janna, which was *the son* of Joseph,
25 Which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Amos, which was *the son* of Naum, which was *the son* of Esli, which was *the son* of Nagge,
26 Which was *the son* of Maath, which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Semei, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Juda,
27 Which was *the son* of Joanna, which was *the son* of Rhesa, which was *the son* of Zorobabel, which was *the son* of Salathiel, which was *the son* of Neri,
28 Which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Addi, which was *the son* of Cosam, which was *the son* of Elmodam, which was *the son* of Er,
29 Which was *the son* of Jose, which was *the son* of Eliezer, which was *the son* of Jorim, which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi,
30 Which was *the son* of Simeon, which was *the son* of Juda, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Jonan, which was *the son* of Eliakim,
31 Which was *the son* of Melea, which was *the son* of Menan, which was *the son* of Mattatha, which was *the son* of Nathan, which was *the son* of David,
32 Which was *the son* of Jesse, which was *the son* of Obed, which was *the son* of Booz, which was *the son* of Salmon, which was *the son* of Naasson,
33 Which was *the son* of Aminadab, which was *the son* of Aram, which was *the son* of Esrom, which was *the son* of Phares, which was *the son* of Juda,
34 Which was *the son* of Jacob, which was *the son* of Isaac, which was *the son* of Abraham, which was *the son* of Thara, which was *the son* of Nachor,
35 Which was *the son* of Saruch, which was *the son* of Ragau, which was *the son* of Phalec, which was *the son* of Heber, which was *the son* of Sala,
36 Which was *the son* of Cainan, which was *the son* of Arphaxad, which was *the son* of Sem, which was *the son* of Noe, which was *the son* of Lamech,
37 Which was *the son* of Mathusala, which was *the son* of Enoch, which was *the son* of Jared, which was *the son* of Maleleel, which was *the son* of Cainan,
38 Which was *the son* of Enos, which was *the son* of Seth, which was *the son* of Adam, which was *the son* of God.

4

1 And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,
2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered.

3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be
made bread.
4 And Jesus answered him, saying, **It is written, That man shall not live by bread
alone, but by every word of God.**
5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms
of the world in a moment of time.
6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for
that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.
7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.
8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, **Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written,
Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.**
9 And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said
unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence:
10 For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee:
11 And in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against
a stone.
12 And Jesus answering said unto him, **It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy
God.**
13 And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season.
14 ¶ And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame
of him through all the region round about.
15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.
16 ¶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was,
he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.
17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had
opened the book, he found the place where it was written,
18 **The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach
the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach
deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty
them that are bruised,**
19 **To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.**
20 And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And the
eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.
21 And he began to say unto them, **This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.**
22 And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out
of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?
23 And he said unto them, **Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal
thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.**
24 And he said, **Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country.**
25 **But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the
heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout
all the land;**
26 **But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, *a city* of Sidon, unto a
woman *that was* a widow.**
27 **And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of
them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.**
28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,
29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill
whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.
30 But he passing through the midst of them went his way,
31 And came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days.
32 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power.
33 ¶ And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and
cried out with a loud voice,
34 Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, *thou* Jesus of Nazareth? art thou
come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God.
35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, **Hold thy peace, and come out of him.** And when
the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not.
36 And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word *is* this!
for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out.
37 And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about.

38 ¶ And he arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's
wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought him for her.
39 And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she
arose and ministered unto them.
40 ¶ Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought
them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them.
41 And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the Son of
God. And he rebuking *them* suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.
42 And when it was day, he departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought
him, and came unto him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them.
43 And he said unto them, **I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for
therefore am I sent.**
44 And he preached in the synagogues of Galilee.

5

1 And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he
stood by the lake of Gennesaret,
2 And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and
were washing *their* nets.
3 And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would
thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.
4 Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, **Launch out into the deep, and
let down your nets for a draught.**
5 And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have
taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.
6 And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net
brake.
7 And they beckoned unto *their* partners, which were in the other ship, that they should
come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.
8 When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am
a sinful man, O Lord.
9 For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which
they had taken:
10 And so *was* also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with
Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, **Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.**
11 And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.
12 ¶ And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who
seeing Jesus fell on *his* face, and besought him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make
me clean.
13 And he put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, **I will: be thou clean.** And
immediately the leprosy departed from him.
14 And he charged him to tell no man: **but go, and shew thyself to the priest, and offer
for thy cleansing, according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.**
15 But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came
together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.
16 ¶ And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed.
17 And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and
doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judæa, and
Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them.
18 ¶ And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they
sought *means* to bring him in, and to lay *him* before him.
19 And when they could not find by what *way* they might bring him in because of the
multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with *his*
couch into the midst before Jesus.
20 And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, **Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.**
21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh
blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?
22 But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, **What reason
ye in your hearts?**
23 **Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk?**

24 **But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins,**
(he said unto the sick of the palsy,) **I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and**
go into thine house.
25 And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and
departed to his own house, glorifying God.
26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying,
We have seen strange things to day.
27 ¶ And after these things he went forth, and saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the
receipt of custom: and he said unto him, **Follow me.**
28 And he left all, rose up, and followed him.
29 And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of
publicans and of others that sat down with them.
30 But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat
and drink with publicans and sinners?
31 And Jesus answering said unto them, **They that are whole need not a physician; but**
they that are sick.
32 **I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.**
33 ¶ And they said unto him, Why do the disciples of John fast often, and make prayers,
and likewise *the disciples* of the Pharisees; but thine eat and drink?
34 And he said unto them, **Can ye make the children of the bridechamber fast, while**
the bridegroom is with them?
35 **But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them,**
and then shall they fast in those days.
36 ¶ And he spake also a parable unto them; **No man putteth a piece of a new garment**
upon an old; if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was
***taken* out of the new agreeth not with the old.**
37 **And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the**
bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish.
38 **But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.**
39 **No man also having drunk old *wine* straightway desireth new: for he saith, The**
old is better.

6

1 And it came to pass on the second sabbath after the first, that he went through the corn
fields; and his disciples plucked the ears of corn, and did eat, rubbing *them* in *their* hands.
2 And certain of the Pharisees said unto them, Why do ye that which is not lawful to do
on the sabbath days?
3 And Jesus answering them said, **Have ye not read so much as this, what David did,**
when himself was an hungred, and they which were with him;
4 **How he went into the house of God, and did take and eat the shewbread, and**
gave also to them that were with him; which it is not lawful to eat but for the priests
alone?
5 And he said unto them, **That the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.**
6 And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and
taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered.
7 And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day;
that they might find an accusation against him.
8 But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, **Rise**
up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.
9 Then said Jesus unto them, **I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days**
to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy *it*?
10 And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, **Stretch forth thy**
hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other.
11 And they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might
do to Jesus.
12 And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and
continued all night in prayer to God.
13 ¶ And when it was day, he called *unto him* his disciples: and of them he chose twelve,
whom also he named apostles;
14 Simon, (whom he also named Peter,) and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip
and Bartholomew,
15 Matthew and Thomas, James the *son* of Alphæus, and Simon called Zelotes,

16 And Judas *the brother* of James, and Judas Iscariot, which also was the traitor.
17 ¶ And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his
disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judæa and Jerusalem, and from the
sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases;
18 And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed.
19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and
healed *them* all.
20 ¶ And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, **Blessed *be ye* poor: for yours is
the kingdom of God.**
21 **Blessed *are ye* that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed *are ye* that weep
now: for ye shall laugh.**
22 **Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from
their company*, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son
of man's sake.**
23 **Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward *is* great in
heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.**
24 **But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation.**
25 **Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now!
for ye shall mourn and weep.**
26 **Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to
the false prophets.**
27 ¶ **But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate
you,**
28 **Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.**
29 **And unto him that smiteth thee on the *one* cheek offer also the other; and him
that taketh away thy cloke forbid not *to take thy* coat also.**
30 **Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods
ask *them* not again.**
31 **And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.**
32 **For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love
those that love them.**
33 **And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners
also do even the same.**
34 **And if ye lend *to them* of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for
sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.**
35 **But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and
your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind
unto the unthankful and *to* the evil.**
36 **Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.**
37 **Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be
condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:**
38 **Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken
together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same
measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.**
39 And he spake a parable unto them, **Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not
both fall into the ditch?**
40 **The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his
master.**
41 **And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not
the beam that is in thine own eye?**
42 **Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that
is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye?
Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou
see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.**
43 **For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree
bring forth good fruit.**
44 **For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs,
nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes.**
45 **A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is
good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which
is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.**
46 ¶ **And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?**

47 **Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew**
you to whom he is like:
48 **He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation**
on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house,
and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.
49 **But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation**
built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and
immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.

7

1 Now when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into
Capernaum.
2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.
3 And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him
that he would come and heal his servant.
4 And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy
for whom he should do this:
5 For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.
6 Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the
centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself: for I am not
worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof:
7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but say in a word, and
my servant shall be healed.
8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one,
Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he
doeth *it*.
9 When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said
unto the people that followed him, **I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no,**
not in Israel.
10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been
sick.
11 ¶ And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of
his disciples went with him, and much people.
12 Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried
out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with
her.
13 And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, **Weep not.**
14 And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare *him* stood still. And he said,
Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.
15 And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.
16 And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is
risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people.
17 And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region
round about.
18 And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things.
19 ¶ And John calling *unto him* two of his disciples sent *them* to Jesus, saying, Art thou he
that should come? or look we for another?
20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee,
saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?
21 And in that same hour he cured many of *their* infirmities and plagues, and of evil
spirits; and unto many *that were* blind he gave sight.
22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, **Go your way, and tell John what things ye**
have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.
23 **And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.**
24 ¶ And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people
concerning John, **What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with**
the wind?
25 **But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they**
which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts.
26 **But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more**
than a prophet.

27 **This is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face,**
which shall prepare thy way before thee.
28 **For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater**
prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater
than he.
29 And all the people that heard *him*, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with
the baptism of John.
30 But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being
not baptized of him.
31 ¶ And the Lord said, **Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation?**
and to what are they like?
32 **They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace, and calling one to**
another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have
mourned to you, and ye have not wept.
33 **For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine; and ye say,**
He hath a devil.
34 **The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous**
man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!
35 **But wisdom is justified of all her children.**
36 ¶ And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into
the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.
37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that *Jesus* sat at
meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,
38 And stood at his feet behind *him* weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and
did wipe *them* with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed *them* with the
ointment.
39 Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw *it*, he spake within himself, saying,
This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman *this*
is that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.
40 And Jesus answering said unto him, **Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee.** And
he saith, Master, say on.
41 **There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred**
pence, and the other fifty.
42 **And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me**
therefore, which of them will love him most?
43 Simon answered and said, I suppose that *he*, to whom he forgave most. And he said
unto him, **Thou hast rightly judged.**
44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, **Seest thou this woman? I**
entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed
my feet with tears, and wiped *them* with the hairs of her head.
45 **Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased**
to kiss my feet.
46 **My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet**
with ointment.
47 **Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved**
much: but to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loveth little.
48 And he said unto her, **Thy sins are forgiven.**
49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that
forgiveth sins also?
50 And he said to the woman, **Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.**

8

1 And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village,
preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve *were* with
him,
2 And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called
Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,
3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which
ministered unto him of their substance.
4 ¶ And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every
city, he spake by a parable:

5 **A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.**
6 **And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.**
7 **And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.**
8 **And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold.** And when he had said these things, he cried, **He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.**
9 And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?
10 And he said, **Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.**
11 **Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.**
12 **Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.**
13 **They on the rock *are they*, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.**
14 **And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection.**
15 **But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep *it*, and bring forth fruit with patience.**
16 ¶ **No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth *it* under a bed; but setteth *it* on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light.**
17 **For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither *any thing* hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.**
18 **Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.**
19 ¶ Then came to him *his* mother and his brethren, and could not come at him for the press.
20 And it was told him *by certain* which said, Thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to see thee.
21 And he answered and said unto them, **My mother and my brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it.**
22 ¶ Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, **Let us go over unto the other side of the lake.** And they launched forth.
23 But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled *with water*, and were in jeopardy.
24 And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm.
25 And he said unto them, **Where is your faith?** And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this! for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.
26 ¶ And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee.
27 And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in *any* house, but in the tombs.
28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not.
29 (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)
30 And Jesus asked him, saying, **What is thy name?** And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.
31 And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep.
32 And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would suffer them to enter into them. And he suffered them.

33 Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran
violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked.
34 When they that fed *them* saw what was done, they fled, and went and told *it* in the city
and in the country.
35 Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of
whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind:
and they were afraid.
36 They also which saw *it* told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils
was healed.
37 ¶ Then the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about besought
him to depart from them; for they were taken with great fear: and he went up into the
ship, and returned back again.
38 Now the man out of whom the devils were departed besought him that he might be
with him: but Jesus sent him away, saying,
39 **Return to thine own house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee.**
And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had
done unto him.
40 And it came to pass, that, when Jesus was returned, the people *gladly* received him:
for they were all waiting for him.
41 ¶ And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue:
and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house:
42 For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he
went the people thronged him.
43 ¶ And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living
upon physicians, neither could be healed of any,
44 Came behind *him*, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue
of blood stanched.
45 And Jesus said, **Who touched me?** When all denied, Peter and they that were with
him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee*, and sayest thou, **Who touched
me?**
46 And Jesus said, **Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out
of me.**
47 And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down
before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched
him, and how she was healed immediately.
48 And he said unto her, **Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee
whole; go in peace.**
49 ¶ While he yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's *house*, saying
to him, Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master.
50 But when Jesus heard *it*, he answered him, saying, **Fear not: believe only, and she
shall be made whole.**
51 And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James,
and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden.
52 And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, **Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth.**
53 And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.
54 And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, **Maid, arise.**
55 And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her
meat.
56 And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man
what was done.

9

1 Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over
all devils, and to cure diseases.
2 And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.
3 And he said unto them, **Take nothing for *your* journey, neither staves, nor scrip,
neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.**
4 **And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart.**
5 **And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the
very dust from your feet for a testimony against them.**
6 And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the gospel, and healing
every where.

7 ¶ Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he was perplexed,
because that it was said of some, that John was risen from the dead;
8 And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was
risen again.
9 And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things?
And he desired to see him.
10 ¶ And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And
he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called
Bethsaida.
11 And the people, when they knew *it*, followed him: and he received them, and spake
unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing.
12 And when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send
the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge,
and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place.
13 But he said unto them, **Give ye them to eat.** And they said, We have no more but five
loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people.
14 For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, **Make them sit
down by fifties in a company.**
15 And they did so, and made them all sit down.
16 Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed
them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude.
17 And they did eat, and were all filled: and there was taken up of fragments that
remained to them twelve baskets.
18 ¶ And it came to pass, as he was alone praying, his disciples were with him: and he
asked them, saying, **Whom say the people that I am?**
19 They answering said, John the Baptist; but some *say*, Elias; and others *say*, that one of
the old prophets is risen again.
20 He said unto them, **But whom say ye that I am?** Peter answering said, The Christ of
God.
21 And he straitly charged them, and commanded *them* to tell no man that thing;
22 Saying, **The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders
and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.**
23 ¶ And he said to *them* all, **If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and
take up his cross daily, and follow me.**
24 **For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for
my sake, the same shall save it.**
25 **For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or
be cast away?**
26 **For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of
man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and *in his* Father's, and of
the holy angels.**
27 **But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of
death, till they see the kingdom of God.**
28 ¶ And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John
and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.
29 And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment *was*
white *and* glistering.
30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:
31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at
Jerusalem.
32 But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were
awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.
33 And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good
for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and
one for Elias: not knowing what he said.
34 While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as
they entered into the cloud.
35 And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.
36 And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept it close, and told
no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.
37 ¶ And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill,
much people met him.

38 And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon
my son: for he is mine only child.
39 And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he
foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him.
40 And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not.
41 And Jesus answering said, **O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I
be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.**
42 And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare *him*. And Jesus
rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father.
43 ¶ And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered
every one at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples,
44 **Let these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered
into the hands of men.**
45 But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it
not: and they feared to ask him of that saying.
46 ¶ Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest.
47 And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him,
48 And said unto them, **Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth
me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least
among you all, the same shall be great.**
49 ¶ And John answered and said, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and
we forbad him, because he followeth not with us.
50 And Jesus said unto him, **Forbid *him* not: for he that is not against us is for us.**
51 ¶ And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he
stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,
52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the
Samaritans, to make ready for him.
53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.
54 And when his disciples James and John saw *this*, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we
command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did?
55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, **Ye know not what manner of spirit ye
are of.**
56 **For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save *them*.** And they
went to another village.
57 ¶ And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain *man* said unto him, Lord,
I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.
58 And Jesus said unto him, **Foxes have holes, and birds of the air *have* nests; but the
Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.**
59 And he said unto another, **Follow me.** But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury
my father.
60 Jesus said unto him, **Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the
kingdom of God.**
61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell,
which are at home at my house.
62 And Jesus said unto him, **No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking
back, is fit for the kingdom of God.**

10

1 After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two
before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.
2 Therefore said he unto them, **The harvest truly *is* great, but the labourers *are* few:
pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into
his harvest.**
3 **Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.**
4 **Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.**
5 **And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace *be* to this house.**
6 **And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn
to you again.**
7 **And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for
the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.**
8 **And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are
set before you:**

9 **And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is**
come nigh unto you.
10 **But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out**
into the streets of the same, and say,
11 **Even the very dust of your city, which cleaveth on us, we do wipe off against you:**
notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.
12 **But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than**
for that city.
13 **Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works**
had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great
while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.
14 **But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you.**
15 **And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to**
hell.
16 **He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and**
he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.
17 ¶ And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject
unto us through thy name.
18 And he said unto them, **I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.**
19 **Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all**
the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.
20 **Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but**
rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.
21 ¶ In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, **I thank thee, O Father, Lord of**
heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and
hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.
22 **All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son**
is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and *he* to whom the Son will
reveal *him*.
23 ¶ And he turned him unto *his* disciples, and said privately, **Blessed *are* the eyes**
which see the things that ye see:
24 **For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things**
which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear those things which ye hear, and
have not heard *them*.
25 ¶ And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall
I do to inherit eternal life?
26 He said unto him, **What is written in the law? how readest thou?**
27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with
all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.
28 And he said unto him, **Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.**
29 But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?
30 And Jesus answering said, **A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho,**
and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and
departed, leaving *him* half dead.
31 **And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him,**
he passed by on the other side.
32 **And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked *on him*, and**
passed by on the other side.
33 **But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw**
him, he had compassion *on him*,
34 **And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him**
on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.
35 **And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave *them* to**
the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more,
when I come again, I will repay thee.
36 **Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell**
among the thieves?
37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, **Go, and do thou**
likewise.
38 ¶ Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain
woman named Martha received him into her house.
39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost
thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.
41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, **Martha, Martha, thou art careful and**
troubled about many things:
42 **But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not**
be taken away from her.

11

1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of
his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.
2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, **Our Father which art in heaven,**
Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in
earth.
3 **Give us day by day our daily bread.**
4 **And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And**
lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
5 And he said unto them, **Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at**
midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;
6 **For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before**
him?
7 **And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut,**
and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.
8 **I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet**
because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.
9 **And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock,**
and it shall be opened unto you.
10 **For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him**
that knocketh it shall be opened.
11 **If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or**
if *he ask* a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?
12 **Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?**
13 **If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much**
more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?
14 ¶ And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil
was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.
15 But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.
16 And others, tempting *him*, sought of him a sign from heaven.
17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, **Every kingdom divided against**
itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.
18 **If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because**
ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.
19 **And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out?**
therefore shall they be your judges.
20 **But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is**
come upon you.
21 **When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace:**
22 **But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh**
from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils.
23 **He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me**
scattereth.
24 **When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places,**
seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came
out.
25 **And when he cometh, he findeth *it* swept and garnished.**
26 **Then goeth he, and taketh *to him* seven other spirits more wicked than himself;**
and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the
first.
27 ¶ And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted
up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed *is* the womb that bare thee, and the paps which
thou hast sucked.
28 But he said, **Yea rather, blessed *are* they that hear the word of God, and keep it.**

29 ¶ And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, **This is an evil
generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas
the prophet.**
30 **For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this
generation.**
31 **The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this
generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth
to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.**
32 **The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall
condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than
Jonas *is* here.**
33 **No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth *it* in a secret place, neither
under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.**
34 **The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole
body also is full of light; but when *thine eye* is evil, thy body also *is* full of darkness.**
35 **Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.**
36 **If thy whole body therefore *be* full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall
be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.**
37 ¶ And as he spake, a certain Pharisee besought him to dine with him: and he went in,
and sat down to meat.
38 And when the Pharisee saw *it*, he marvelled that he had not first washed before dinner.
39 And the Lord said unto him, **Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the
cup and the platter; but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.**
40 ***Ye* fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within
also?**
41 **But rather give alms of such things as ye have; and, behold, all things are clean
unto you.**
42 **But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs,
and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not
to leave the other undone.**
43 **Woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues,
and greetings in the markets.**
44 **Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are as graves which
appear not, and the men that walk over *them* are not aware *of them*.**
45 ¶ Then answered one of the lawyers, and said unto him, Master, thus saying thou
reproachest us also.
46 And he said, **Woe unto you also, *ye* lawyers! for ye lade men with burdens
grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your
fingers.**
47 **Woe unto you! for ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers
killed them.**
48 **Truly ye bear witness that ye allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed
killed them, and ye build their sepulchres.**
49 **Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles,
and *some* of them they shall slay and persecute:**
50 **That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the
world, may be required of this generation;**
51 **From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between
the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this
generation.**
52 **Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye
entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered.**
53 And as he said these things unto them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to urge *him*
vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things:
54 Laying wait for him, and seeking to catch something out of his mouth, that they might
accuse him.

12

1 In the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of
people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first
of all, **Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.**

2 **For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall**
not be known.
3 **Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light;**
and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the
housetops.
4 **And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after**
that have no more that they can do.
5 **But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed**
hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.
6 **Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten**
before God?
7 **But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye**
are of more value than many sparrows.
8 **Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son**
of man also confess before the angels of God:
9 **But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.**
10 **And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven**
him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.
11 **And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and *unto* magistrates, and**
powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:
12 **For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.**
13 ¶ And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide
the inheritance with me.
14 And he said unto him, **Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?**
15 And he said unto them, **Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life**
consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.
16 And he spake a parable unto them, saying, **The ground of a certain rich man**
brought forth plentifully:
17 **And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room**
where to bestow my fruits?
18 **And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and**
there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.
19 **And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years;**
take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry.
20 **But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee:**
then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?
21 **So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.**
22 ¶ And he said unto his disciples, **Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your**
life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.
23 **The life is more than meat, and the body *is more* than raiment.**
24 **Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have**
storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than
the fowls?
25 **And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?**
26 **If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the**
rest?
27 **Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto**
you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.
28 **If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast**
into the oven; how much more *will he clothe* you, O ye of little faith?
29 **And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of**
doubtful mind.
30 **For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father**
knoweth that ye have need of these things.
31 ¶ **But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added**
unto you.
32 **Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the**
kingdom.
33 **Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a**
treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth
corrupteth.
34 **For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.**

35 **Let your loins be girded about, and *your* lights burning;**
36 **And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.**
37 **Blessed *are* those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.**
38 **And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.**
39 **And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.**
40 **Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.**
41 ¶ Then Peter said unto him, Lord, speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all?
42 And the Lord said, **Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord shall make ruler over his household, to give *them their* portion of meat in due season?**
43 **Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.**
44 **Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath.**
45 **But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;**
46 **The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.**
47 **And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*.**
48 **But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.**
49 ¶ **I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?**
50 **But I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished!**
51 **Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:**
52 **For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.**
53 **The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.**
54 ¶ And he said also to the people, **When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway ye say, There cometh a shower; and so it is.**
55 **And when *ye see* the south wind blow, ye say, There will be heat; and it cometh to pass.**
56 ***Ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that ye do not discern this time?**
57 **Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?**
58 ¶ **When thou goest with thine adversary to the magistrate, *as thou art* in the way, give diligence that thou mayest be delivered from him; lest he hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer cast thee into prison.**
59 **I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast paid the very last mite.**

13

1 There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilæans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.
2 And Jesus answering said unto them, **Suppose ye that these Galilæans were sinners above all the Galilæans, because they suffered such things?**
3 **I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.**
4 **Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?**
5 **I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.**

6 ¶ He spake also this parable; **A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard;**
and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.
7 **Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come**
seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the
ground?
8 **And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig**
about it, and dung *it*:
9 **And if it bear fruit, *well*: and if not, *then* after that thou shalt cut it down.**
10 And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.
11 ¶ And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and
was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up *herself*.
12 And when Jesus saw her, he called *her to him*, and said unto her, **Woman, thou art**
loosed from thine infirmity.
13 And he laid *his* hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified
God.
14 And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had
healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought
to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.
15 The Lord then answered him, and said, ***Thou* hypocrite, doth not each one of you**
on the sabbath loose his ox or *his* ass from the stall, and lead *him* away to watering?
16 **And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath**
bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?
17 And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the
people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.
18 ¶ Then said he, **Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I**
resemble it?
19 **It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden;**
and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches
of it.
20 And again he said, **Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?**
21 **It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the**
whole was leavened.
22 And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward
Jerusalem.
23 Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,
24 ¶ **Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter**
in, and shall not be able.
25 **When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and**
ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto
us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:
26 **Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou**
hast taught in our streets.
27 **But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all *ye***
workers of iniquity.
28 **There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and**
Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you *yourselves*
thrust out.
29 **And they shall come from the east, and *from* the west, and from the north, and**
***from* the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.**
30 **And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall**
be last.
31 ¶ The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and
depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.
32 And he said unto them, **Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do**
cures to day and to morrow, and the third *day* I shall be perfected.
33 **Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the *day* following: for it**
cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem.
34 **O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are**
sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen *doth*
***gather* her brood under *her* wings, and ye would not!**

35 **Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until *the time* come when ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

14

1 And it came to pass, as he went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath day, that they watched him.
2 And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy.
3 And Jesus answering spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, **Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?**
4 And they held their peace. And he took *him*, and healed him, and let him go;
5 And answered them, saying, **Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath day?**
6 And they could not answer him again to these things.
7 ¶ And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them,
8 **When thou art bidden of any *man* to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him;**
9 **And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room.**
10 **But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.**
11 **For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.**
12 ¶ Then said he also to him that bade him, **When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor *thy* rich neighbours; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.**
13 **But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:**
14 **And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.**
15 ¶ And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed *is* he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.
16 Then said he unto him, **A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:**
17 **And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.**
18 **And they all with one *consent* began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.**
19 **And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.**
20 **And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.**
21 **So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.**
22 **And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.**
23 **And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled.**
24 **For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.**
25 ¶ And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them,
26 **If any *man* come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.**
27 **And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.**
28 **For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have *sufficient* to finish *it*?**
29 **Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish *it*, all that behold *it* begin to mock him,**
30 **Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.**

31 **Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first,**
and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh
against him with twenty thousand?
32 **Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and**
desireth conditions of peace.
33 **So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he**
cannot be my disciple.
34 ¶ **Salt *is* good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be**
seasoned?
35 **It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; *but* men cast it out. He that**
hath ears to hear, let him hear.

15

1 Then drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.
2 And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and
eateth with them.
3 ¶ And he spake this parable unto them, saying,
4 **What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave**
the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find
it?
5 **And when he hath found *it*, he layeth *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing.**
6 **And when he cometh home, he calleth together *his* friends and neighbours,**
saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.
7 **I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that**
repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.
8 ¶ **Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not**
light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find *it*?
9 **And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together,**
saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.
10 **Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over**
one sinner that repenteth.
11 ¶ And he said, **A certain man had two sons:**
12 **And the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods**
that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them *his* living.
13 **And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his**
journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.
14 **And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he**
began to be in want.
15 **And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into**
his fields to feed swine.
16 **And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat:**
and no man gave unto him.
17 **And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's**
have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!
18 **I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned**
against heaven, and before thee,
19 **And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired**
servants.
20 **And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his**
father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.
21 **And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy**
sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.
22 **But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him;**
and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet:
23 **And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it*; and let us eat, and be merry:**
24 **For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they**
began to be merry.
25 **Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house,**
he heard musick and dancing.
26 **And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.**
27 **And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted**
calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

28 **And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and**
intreated him.
29 **And he answering said to *his* father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee,**
neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest
me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:
30 **But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with**
harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.
31 **And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.**
32 **It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was**
dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.

16

1 And he said also unto his disciples, **There was a certain rich man, which had a**
steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods.
2 **And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an**
account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward.
3 **Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away**
from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed.
4 **I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may**
receive me into their houses.
5 **So he called every one of his lord's debtors *unto him*, and said unto the first, How**
much owest thou unto my lord?
6 **And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill,**
and sit down quickly, and write fifty.
7 **Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred**
measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore.
8 **And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for**
the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.
9 **And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteous-**
ness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.
10 **He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is**
unjust in the least is unjust also in much.
11 **If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will**
commit to your trust the true *riches*?
12 **And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give**
you that which is your own?
13 ¶ **No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the**
other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and
mammon.
14 And the Pharisees also, who were covetous, heard all these things: and they derided
him.
15 And he said unto them, **Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God**
knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination
in the sight of God.
16 **The law and the prophets *were* until John: since that time the kingdom of God**
is preached, and every man presseth into it.
17 **And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.**
18 **Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery:**
and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from *her* husband committeth
adultery.
19 ¶ **There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and**
fared sumptuously every day:
20 **And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full**
of sores,
21 **And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table:**
moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.
22 **And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into**
Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;
23 **And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off,**
and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 **And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus,**
that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented
in this flame.
25 **But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good**
things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art
tormented.
26 **And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they**
which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that *would*
***come* from thence.**
27 **Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my**
father's house:
28 **For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into**
this place of torment.
29 **Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear**
them.
30 **And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead,**
they will repent.
31 **And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they**
be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

17

1 Then said he unto the disciples, **It is impossible but that offences will come: but**
woe *unto him*, through whom they come!
2 **It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast**
into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.
3 ¶ **Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and**
if he repent, forgive him.
4 **And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn**
again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.
5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.
6 And the Lord said, **If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this**
sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and
it should obey you.
7 **But which of you, having a servant plowing or feeding cattle, will say unto him**
by and by, when he is come from the field, Go and sit down to meat?
8 **And will not rather say unto him, Make ready wherewith I may sup, and gird**
thyself, and serve me, till I have eaten and drunken; and afterward thou shalt eat
and drink?
9 **Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded**
him? I trow not.
10 **So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded**
you, say, We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to
do.
11 ¶ And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of
Samaria and Galilee.
12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which
stood afar off:
13 And they lifted up *their* voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.
14 And when he saw *them*, he said unto them, **Go shew yourselves unto the priests.**
And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.
15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice
glorified God,
16 And fell down on *his* face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.
17 And Jesus answering said, **Were there not ten cleansed? but where *are* the nine?**
18 **There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.**
19 And he said unto him, **Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.**
20 ¶ And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should
come, he answered them and said, **The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:**
21 **Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is**
within you.
22 And he said unto the disciples, **The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one**
of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see *it*.

23 **And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after *them*, nor follow**
them.
24 **For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one *part* under heaven, shineth**
unto the other *part* under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.
25 **But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.**
26 **And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.**
27 **They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until**
the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.
28 **Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought,**
they sold, they planted, they builded;
29 **But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from**
heaven, and destroyed *them* all.
30 **Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.**
31 **In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let**
him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not
return back.
32 **Remember Lot's wife.**
33 **Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his**
life shall preserve it.
34 **I tell you, in that night there shall be two *men* in one bed; the one shall be taken,**
and the other shall be left.
35 **Two *women* shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other**
left.
36 **Two *men* shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.**
37 And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them,
Wheresoever the body *is*, thither will the eagles be gathered together.

18

1 And he spake a parable unto them *to this end*, that men ought always to pray, and not
to faint;
2 Saying, **There was in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man:**
3 **And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me**
of mine adversary.
4 **And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I**
fear not God, nor regard man;
5 **Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual**
coming she weary me.
6 And the Lord said, **Hear what the unjust judge saith.**
7 **And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him,**
though he bear long with them?
8 **I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man**
cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?
9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were
righteous, and despised others:
10 **Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a**
publican.
11 **The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am**
not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.
12 **I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.**
13 **And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto**
heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.
14 **I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other: for**
every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall
be exalted.
15 And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when *his*
disciples saw *it*, they rebuked them.
16 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, **Suffer little children to come unto me,**
and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.
17 **Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little**
child shall in no wise enter therein.
18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal
life?

19 And Jesus said unto him, **Why callest thou me good? none *is* good, save one, *that is*, God.**
20 **Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.**
21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.
22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, **Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.**
23 And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.
24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, **How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!**
25 **For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.**
26 And they that heard *it* said, Who then can be saved?
27 And he said, **The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.**
28 Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee.
29 And he said unto them, **Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,**
30 **Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.**
31 ¶ Then he took *unto him* the twelve, and said unto them, **Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.**
32 **For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:**
33 **And they shall scourge *him*, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.**
34 And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.
35 ¶ And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging:
36 And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.
37 And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by.
38 And he cried, saying, Jesus, *thou* Son of David, have mercy on me.
39 And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on me.
40 And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,
41 Saying, **What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee?** And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.
42 And Jesus said unto him, **Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.**
43 And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw *it*, gave praise unto God.

19

1 And *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho.
2 And, behold, *there was* a man named Zacchæus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.
3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.
4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycomore tree to see him: for he was to pass that *way*.
5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, **Zacchæus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.**
6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.
7 And when they saw *it*, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.
8 And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore *him* fourfold.
9 And Jesus said unto him, **This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.**

10 **For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.**
11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to
Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.
12 He said therefore, **A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for
himself a kingdom, and to return.**
13 **And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto
them, Occupy till I come.**
14 **But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not
have this *man* to reign over us.**
15 **And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom,
then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the
money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.**
16 **Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.**
17 **And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful
in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.**
18 **And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.**
19 **And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.**
20 **And another came, saying, Lord, behold, *here is* thy pound, which I have kept
laid up in a napkin:**
21 **For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that thou
layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow.**
22 **And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, *thou* wicked
servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down,
and reaping that I did not sow:**
23 **Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I
might have required mine own with usury?**
24 **And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give *it* to
him that hath ten pounds.**
25 **(And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.)**
26 **For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him
that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him.**
27 **But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring
hither, and slay *them* before me.**
28 ¶ And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.
29 And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount
called *the mount* of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,
30 Saying, **Go ye into the village over against *you*; in the which at your entering ye
shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring *him hither*.**
31 **And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose *him*? thus shall ye say unto him,
Because the Lord hath need of him.**
32 And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.
33 And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the
colt?
34 And they said, The Lord hath need of him.
35 And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they
set Jesus thereon.
36 And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.
37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the
whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all
the mighty works that they had seen;
38 Saying, Blessed *be* the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and
glory in the highest.
39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke
thy disciples.
40 And he answered and said unto them, **I tell you that, if these should hold their
peace, the stones would immediately cry out.**
41 ¶ And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,
42 Saying, **If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things *which
belong* unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.**
43 **For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about
thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,**

44 **And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they**
shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time
of thy visitation.
45 And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them
that bought;
46 Saying unto them, **It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made**
it a den of thieves.
47 And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the chief
of the people sought to destroy him,
48 And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear
him.

20

1 And it came to pass, *that* on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple, and
preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes came upon *him* with the elders,
2 And spake unto him, saying, Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? or who
is he that gave thee this authority?
3 And he answered and said unto them, **I will also ask you one thing; and answer me:**
4 **The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men?**
5 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say,
Why then believed ye him not?
6 But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that John
was a prophet.
7 And they answered, that they could not tell whence *it was*.
8 And Jesus said unto them, **Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.**
9 Then began he to speak to the people this parable; **A certain man planted a vineyard,**
and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time.
10 **And at the season he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they should give**
him of the fruit of the vineyard: but the husbandmen beat him, and sent *him* away
empty.
11 **And again he sent another servant: and they beat him also, and entreated *him***
shamefully, and sent *him* away empty.
12 **And again he sent a third: and they wounded him also, and cast *him* out.**
13 **Then said the lord of the vineyard, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son:**
it may be they will reverence *him* when they see him.
14 **But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying,**
This is the heir: come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.
15 **So they cast him out of the vineyard, and killed *him*. What therefore shall the**
lord of the vineyard do unto them?
16 **He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to**
others. And when they heard *it*, they said, God forbid.
17 And he beheld them, and said, **What is this then that is written, The stone which**
the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner?
18 **Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it**
shall fall, it will grind him to powder.
19 ¶ And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and
they feared the people: for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against them.
20 And they watched *him*, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men,
that they might take hold of his words, that so they might deliver him unto the power and
authority of the governor.
21 And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly,
neither acceptest thou the person *of any*, but teachest the way of God truly:
22 Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Cæsar, or no?
23 But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, **Why tempt ye me?**
24 **Shew me a penny. Whose image and superscription hath it?** They answered and
said, Cæsar's.
25 And he said unto them, **Render therefore unto Cæ**sar **the things which be Cæ**sar**'s,**
and unto God the things which be God's.
26 And they could not take hold of his words before the people: and they marvelled at his
answer, and held their peace.
27 ¶ Then came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrec-
tion; and they asked him,

28 Saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die
without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.
29 There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without
children.
30 And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.
31 And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children,
and died.
32 Last of all the woman died also.
33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife.
34 And Jesus answering said unto them, **The children of this world marry, and are
given in marriage:**
35 **But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the
resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:**
36 **Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the
children of God, being the children of the resurrection.**
37 **Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth
the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.**
38 **For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.**
39 ¶ Then certain of the scribes answering said, Master, thou hast well said.
40 And after that they durst not ask him any *question at all.*
41 And he said unto them, **How say they that Christ is David's son?**
42 **And David himself saith in the book of Psalms, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit
thou on my right hand,**
43 **Till I make thine enemies thy footstool.**
44 **David therefore calleth him Lord, how is he then his son?**
45 ¶ Then in the audience of all the people he said unto his disciples,
46 **Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in
the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;**
47 **Which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same
shall receive greater damnation.**

21

1 And he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.
2 And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites.
3 And he said, **Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than
they all:**
4 **For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she
of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had.**
5 ¶ And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he
said,
6 ***As for* these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall
not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**
7 And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign *will
there be* when these things shall come to pass?
8 And he said, **Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name,
saying, I am *Christ*; and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.**
9 **But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things
must first come to pass; but the end *is* not by and by.**
10 Then said he unto them, **Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against
kingdom:**
11 **And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences;
and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.**
12 **But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you*,
delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings
and rulers for my name's sake.**
13 **And it shall turn to you for a testimony.**
14 **Settle *it* therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:**
15 **For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be
able to gainsay nor resist.**
16 **And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and
friends; and *some* of you shall they cause to be put to death.**
17 **And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake.**

18 **But there shall not an hair of your head perish.**
19 **In your patience possess ye your souls.**
20 **And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.**
21 **Then let them which are in Judæa flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.**
22 **For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.**
23 **But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.**
24 **And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.**
25 ¶ **And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;**
26 **Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.**
27 **And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.**
28 **And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.**
29 And he spake to them a parable; **Behold the fig tree, and all the trees;**
30 **When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.**
31 **So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.**
32 **Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.**
33 **Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.**
34 ¶ **And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and *so* that day come upon you unawares.**
35 **For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.**
36 **Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.**
37 And in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called *the mount* of Olives.
38 And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, for to hear him.

22

1 Now the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.
2 And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people.
3 ¶ Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.
4 And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them.
5 And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money.
6 And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude.
7 ¶ Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed.
8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, **Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat.**
9 And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare?
10 And he said unto them, **Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in.**
11 **And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?**
12 **And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make ready.**
13 And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.
14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15 And he said unto them, **With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you**
before I suffer:
16 **For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the**
kingdom of God.
17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, **Take this, and divide *it* among**
yourselves:
18 **For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of**
God shall come.
19 ¶ And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake *it*, and gave unto them, saying, **This**
is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.
20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, **This cup *is* the new testament in my**
blood, which is shed for you.
21 ¶ **But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table.**
22 **And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man**
by whom he is betrayed!
23 And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this
thing.
24 ¶ And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the
greatest.
25 And he said unto them, **The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them;**
and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors.
26 **But ye *shall* not *be* so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the**
younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.
27 **For whether *is* greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? *is* not he that**
sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth.
28 **Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations.**
29 **And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;**
30 **That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging**
the twelve tribes of Israel.
31 ¶ And the Lord said, **Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that**
he may sift *you* as wheat:
32 **But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted,**
strengthen thy brethren.
33 And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.
34 And he said, **I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou**
shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.
35 And he said unto them, **When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes,**
lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.
36 Then said he unto them, **But now, he that hath a purse, let him take *it*, and likewise**
***his* scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.**
37 **For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me,**
And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have
an end.
38 And they said, Lord, behold, here *are* two swords. And he said unto them, **It is enough.**
39 ¶ And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples
also followed him.
40 And when he was at the place, he said unto them, **Pray that ye enter not into**
temptation.
41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,
42 Saying, **Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my**
will, but thine, be done.
43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.
44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great
drops of blood falling down to the ground.
45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them
sleeping for sorrow,
46 And said unto them, **Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.**
47 ¶ And while he yet spake, behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the
twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him.
48 But Jesus said unto him, **Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss?**
49 When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord,
shall we smite with the sword?

50 ¶ And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.
51 And Jesus answered and said, **Suffer ye thus far.** And he touched his ear, and healed him.
52 Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, **Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves?**
53 **When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.**
54 ¶ Then took they him, and led *him*, and brought him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off.
55 And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them.
56 But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him.
57 And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not.
58 And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not.
59 And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this *fellow* also was with him: for he is a Galilæan.
60 And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew.
61 And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.
62 And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.
63 ¶ And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote *him*.
64 And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?
65 And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.
66 ¶ And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying,
67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, **If I tell you, ye will not believe:**
68 **And if I also ask *you*, ye will not answer me, nor let *me* go.**
69 **Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.**
70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, **Ye say that I am.**
71 And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

23

1 And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.
2 And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this *fellow* perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying that he himself is Christ a King.
3 And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, **Thou sayest *it*.**
4 Then said Pilate to the chief priests and *to* the people, I find no fault in this man.
5 And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place.
6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilæan.
7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.
8 ¶ And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long *season*, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him.
9 Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing.
10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him.
11 And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked *him*, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate.
12 ¶ And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.
13 ¶ And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,

14 Said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people:
and, behold, I, having examined *him* before you, have found no fault in this man touching
those things whereof ye accuse him:
15 No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto
him.
16 I will therefore chastise him, and release *him*.
17 (For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.)
18 And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this *man*, and release unto us
Barabbas:
19 (Who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.)
20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them.
21 But they cried, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify him.
22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no
cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let *him* go.
23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the
voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.
24 And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required.
25 And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison,
whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will.
26 And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of
the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear *it* after Jesus.
27 ¶ And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also
bewailed and lamented him.
28 But Jesus turning unto them said, **Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but
weep for yourselves, and for your children.**
29 **For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed *are* the
barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.**
30 **Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover
us.**
31 **For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?**
32 And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.
33 And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified
him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.
34 ¶ Then said Jesus, **Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.** And they
parted his raiment, and cast lots.
35 And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided *him*, saying,
He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.
36 And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar,
37 And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.
38 And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and
Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.
39 ¶ And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be
Christ, save thyself and us.
40 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art
in the same condemnation?
41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath
done nothing amiss.
42 And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.
43 And Jesus said unto him, **Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in
paradise.**
44 And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the
ninth hour.
45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.
46 ¶ And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, **Father, into thy hands I
commend my spirit:** and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.
47 Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this
was a righteous man.
48 And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were
done, smote their breasts, and returned.
49 And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar
off, beholding these things.

50 ¶ And, behold, *there was* a man named Joseph, a counsellor; *and he was* a good man,
and a just:
51 (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) *he was* of Arimathæa,
a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.
52 This *man* went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.
53 And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn
in stone, wherein never man before was laid.
54 And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.
55 And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld
the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.
56 And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day
according to the commandment.

24

1 Now upon the first *day* of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the
sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain *others* with them.
2 And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.
3 And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.
4 And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood
by them in shining garments:
5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down *their* faces to the earth, they said unto them,
Why seek ye the living among the dead?
6 He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in
Galilee,
7 Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified,
and the third day rise again.
8 And they remembered his words,
9 And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all
the rest.
10 It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary *the mother* of James, and other *women
that were* with them, which told these things unto the apostles.
11 And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.
12 Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen
clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to
pass.
13 ¶ And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was
from Jerusalem *about* threescore furlongs.
14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened.
15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Jesus himself
drew near, and went with them.
16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.
17 And he said unto them, **What manner of communications *are* these that ye have
one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?**
18 And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou
only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there
in these days?
19 And he said unto them, **What things?** And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of
Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:
20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and
have crucified him.
21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all
this, to day is the third day since these things were done.
22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early
at the sepulchre;
23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision
of angels, which said that he was alive.
24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so
as the women had said: but him they saw not.
25 Then he said unto them, **O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets
have spoken:**
26 **Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?**

27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the
scriptures the things concerning himself.
28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he
would have gone further.
29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day
is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.
30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed *it*, and
brake, and gave to them.
31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.
32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with
us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?
33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven
gathered together, and them that were with them,
34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.
35 And they told what things *were done* in the way, and how he was known of them in
breaking of bread.
36 ¶ And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them,
Peace *be* unto you.
37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.
38 And he said unto them, **Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your
hearts?**
39 **Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit
hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.**
40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them *his* hands and *his* feet.
41 And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, **Have ye
here any meat?**
42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.
43 And he took *it*, and did eat before them.
44 And he said unto them, **These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was
yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of
Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me.**
45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,
46 And said unto them, **Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and
to rise from the dead the third day:**
47 **And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name
among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.**
48 **And ye are witnesses of these things.**
49 ¶ **And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city
of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.**
50 ¶ And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed
them.
51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up
into heaven.
52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:
53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
2 The same was in the beginning with God.
3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.
4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.
5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.
6 ¶ There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John.
7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all *men* through him might believe.
8 He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.
9 *That* was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.
10 He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.
11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.
12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:
13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.
14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.
15 ¶ John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me.
16 And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.
17 For the law was given by Moses, *but* grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.
18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared *him.*
19 ¶ And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?
20 And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ.
21 And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.
22 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?
23 He said, I *am* the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias.
24 And they which were sent were of the Pharisees.
25 And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that prophet?
26 John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not;
27 He it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose.
28 These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.
29 ¶ The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.
30 This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me.
31 And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.
32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him.
33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.
34 And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.
35 ¶ Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples;
36 And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!
37 And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.
38 Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them, **What seek ye?** They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where dwellest thou?

39 He saith unto them, **Come and see.** They came and saw where he dwelt, and abode
with him that day: for it was about the tenth hour.
40 One of the two which heard John *speak*, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's
brother.
41 He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias,
which is, being interpreted, the Christ.
42 And he brought him to Jesus. And when Jesus beheld him, he said, **Thou art Simon
the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas,** which is by interpretation, A stone.
43 ¶ The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith
unto him, **Follow me.**
44 Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.
45 Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in
the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.
46 And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip
saith unto him, Come and see.
47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, **Behold an Israelite indeed, in
whom is no guile!**
48 Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto
him, **Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.**
49 Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the
King of Israel.
50 Jesus answered and said unto him, **Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the
fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these.**
51 And he saith unto him, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven
open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.**

2

1 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was
there:
2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.
4 Jesus saith unto her, **Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet
come.**
5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do *it*.
6 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of
the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.
7 Jesus saith unto them, **Fill the waterpots with water.** And they filled them up to the
brim.
8 And he saith unto them, **Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast.**
And they bare *it*.
9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not
whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast
called the bridegroom,
10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when
men have well drunk, then that which is worse: *but* thou hast kept the good wine until now.
11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory;
and his disciples believed on him.
12 ¶ After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his
disciples: and they continued there not many days.
13 ¶ And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,
14 And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers
of money sitting:
15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple,
and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the
tables;
16 And said unto them that sold doves, **Take these things hence; make not my Father's
house an house of merchandise.**
17 And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten
me up.
18 ¶ Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing
that thou doest these things?

19 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.**
20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?
21 But he spake of the temple of his body.
22 When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.
23 ¶ Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast *day*, many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.
24 But Jesus did not commit himself unto them, because he knew all *men*,
25 And needed not that any should testify of man: for he knew what was in man.

3

1 There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:
2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.
3 Jesus answered and said unto him, **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.**
4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?
5 Jesus answered, **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.**
6 **That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.**
7 **Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.**
8 **The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.**
9 Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?
10 Jesus answered and said unto him, **Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?**
11 **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.**
12 **If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you *of* heavenly things?**
13 **And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, *even* the Son of man which is in heaven.**
14 ¶ **And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:**
15 **That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.**
16 ¶ **For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**
17 **For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.**
18 ¶ **He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.**
19 **And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.**
20 **For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.**
21 **But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.**
22 ¶ After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judæa; and there he tarried with them, and baptized.
23 ¶ And John also was baptizing in Ænon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized.
24 For John was not yet cast into prison.
25 ¶ Then there arose a question between *some* of John's disciples and the Jews about purifying.

26 And they came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond
Jordan, to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all *men* come to him.
27 John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from
heaven.
28 Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before
him.
29 He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which
standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy
therefore is fulfilled.
30 He must increase, but I *must* decrease.
31 He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh
of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.
32 And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his
testimony.
33 He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.
34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit
by measure *unto him*.
35 The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.
36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son
shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

4

1 When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and
baptized more disciples than John,
2 (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)
3 He left Judæa, and departed again into Galilee.
4 And he must needs go through Samaria.
5 Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground
that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.
6 Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with *his* journey, sat thus
on the well: *and* it was about the sixth hour.
7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, **Give me to
drink.**
8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)
9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink
of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.
10 Jesus answered and said unto her, **If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is
that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would
have given thee living water.**
11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep:
from whence then hast thou that living water?
12 Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof
himself, and his children, and his cattle?
13 Jesus answered and said unto her, **Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst
again:**
14 **But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst;
but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into
everlasting life.**
15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither
to draw.
16 Jesus saith unto her, **Go, call thy husband, and come hither.**
17 The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, **Thou hast
well said, I have no husband:**
18 **For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband:
in that saidst thou truly.**
19 The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet.
20 Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place
where men ought to worship.
21 Jesus saith unto her, **Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither
in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.**
22 **Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the
Jews.**

23 **But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.**
24 **God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.**
25 The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things.
26 Jesus saith unto her, **I that speak unto thee am *he.***
27 ¶ And upon this came his disciples, and marvelled that he talked with the woman: yet no man said, What seekest thou? or, Why talkest thou with her?
28 The woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men,
29 Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?
30 Then they went out of the city, and came unto him.
31 ¶ In the mean while his disciples prayed him, saying, Master, eat.
32 But he said unto them, **I have meat to eat that ye know not of.**
33 Therefore said the disciples one to another, Hath any man brought him *ought* to eat?
34 Jesus saith unto them, **My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.**
35 **Say not ye, There are yet four months, and *then* cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.**
36 **And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.**
37 **And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth.**
38 **I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours.**
39 ¶ And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did.
40 So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days.
41 And many more believed because of his own word;
42 And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard *him* ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.
43 ¶ Now after two days he departed thence, and went into Galilee.
44 For Jesus himself testified, that a prophet hath no honour in his own country.
45 Then when he was come into Galilee, the Galilæans received him, having seen all the things that he did at Jerusalem at the feast: for they also went unto the feast.
46 So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.
47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judæa into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death.
48 Then said Jesus unto him, **Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.**
49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die.
50 Jesus saith unto him, **Go thy way; thy son liveth.** And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way.
51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told *him*, saying, Thy son liveth.
52 Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.
53 So the father knew that *it was* at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house.
54 This *is* again the second miracle *that* Jesus did, when he was come out of Judæa into Galilee.

5

1 After this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
2 Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep *market* a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches.
3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water.

4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water:
whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of
whatsoever disease he had.
5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years.
6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time *in that case*, he
saith unto him, **Wilt thou be made whole?**
7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put
me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.
8 Jesus saith unto him, **Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.**
9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on
the same day was the sabbath.
10 ¶ The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful
for thee to carry *thy* bed.
11 He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed,
and walk.
12 Then asked they him, What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and
walk?
13 And he that was healed wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, a
multitude being in *that* place.
14 Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, **Behold, thou art made
whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.**
15 The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole.
16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had
done these things on the sabbath day.
17 ¶ But Jesus answered them, **My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.**
18 Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the
sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.
19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can
do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he
doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.**
20 **For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth:
and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.**
21 **For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them*; even so the Son
quickeneth whom he will.**
22 **For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:**
23 **That all *men* should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that
honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.**
24 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him
that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is
passed from death unto life.**
25 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead
shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.**
26 **For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in
himself;**
27 **And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son
of man.**
28 **Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves
shall hear his voice,**
29 **And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life;
and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.**
30 **I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just;
because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.**
31 **If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.**
32 ¶ **There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness
which he witnesseth of me is true.**
33 **Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth.**
34 **But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be
saved.**
35 **He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice
in his light.**

36 ¶ **But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father**
hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father
hath sent me.
37 **And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have**
neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.
38 **And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe**
not.
39 ¶ **Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are**
they which testify of me.
40 **And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.**
41 **I receive not honour from men.**
42 **But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you.**
43 **I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in**
his own name, him ye will receive.
44 **How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the**
honour that *cometh* from God only?
45 **Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is *one* that accuseth you,**
***even* Moses, in whom ye trust.**
46 **For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.**
47 **But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?**

6

1 After these things Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is *the sea* of Tiberias.
2 And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on
them that were diseased.
3 And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples.
4 And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh.
5 ¶ When Jesus then lifted up *his* eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith
unto Philip, **Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?**
6 And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do.
7 Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that
every one of them may take a little.
8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him,
9 There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are
they among so many?
10 And Jesus said, **Make the men sit down.** Now there was much grass in the place. So
the men sat down, in number about five thousand.
11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the
disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much
as they would.
12 When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, **Gather up the fragments that**
remain, that nothing be lost.
13 Therefore they gathered *them* together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments
of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.
14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth
that prophet that should come into the world.
15 ¶ When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make
him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.
16 And when even was *now* come, his disciples went down unto the sea,
17 And entered into a ship, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was now
dark, and Jesus was not come to them.
18 And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew.
19 So when they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs, they see Jesus
walking on the sea, and drawing nigh unto the ship: and they were afraid.
20 But he saith unto them, **It is I; be not afraid.**
21 Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately the ship was at the
land whither they went.
22 ¶ The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that
there was none other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered, and
that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but *that* his disciples were gone away
alone;

23 (Howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias nigh unto the place where they did eat
bread, after that the Lord had given thanks:)
24 When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also
took shipping, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus.
25 And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi,
when camest thou hither?
26 Jesus answered them and said, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not
because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.**
27 **Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth
unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God
the Father sealed.**
28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?
29 Jesus answered and said unto them, **This is the work of God, that ye believe on him
whom he hath sent.**
30 They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and
believe thee? what dost thou work?
31 Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from
heaven to eat.
32 Then Jesus said unto them, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that
bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.**
33 **For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto
the world.**
34 Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread.
35 And Jesus said unto them, **I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never
hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.**
36 **But I said unto you, That ye also have seen me, and believe not.**
37 **All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will
in no wise cast out.**
38 **For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that
sent me.**
39 **And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given
me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.**
40 **And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and
believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.**
41 The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, I am the bread which came down
from heaven.
42 And they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know?
how is it then that he saith, I came down from heaven?
43 Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, **Murmur not among yourselves.**
44 **No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I
will raise him up at the last day.**
45 **It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man
therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.**
46 **Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the
Father.**
47 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.**
48 **I am that bread of life.**
49 **Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.**
50 **This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof,
and not die.**
51 **I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this
bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will
give for the life of the world.**
52 The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us *his*
flesh to eat?
53 Then Jesus said unto them, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of
the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.**
54 **Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise
him up at the last day.**
55 **For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.**
56 **He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.**

57 **As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me,**
even he shall live by me.
58 **This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat**
manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.
59 These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum.
60 Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard *this*, said, This is an hard saying;
who can hear it?
61 When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, **Doth**
this offend you?
62 ***What* and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before?**
63 **It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I**
speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.
64 **But there are some of you that believe not.** For Jesus knew from the beginning who
they were that believed not, and who should betray him.
65 And he said, **Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it**
were given unto him of my Father.
66 ¶ From that *time* many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.
67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, **Will ye also go away?**
68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of
eternal life.
69 And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.
70 Jesus answered them, **Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?**
71 He spake of Judas Iscariot *the son* of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being
one of the twelve.

7

1 After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the
Jews sought to kill him.
2 Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand.
3 His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judæa, that thy
disciples also may see the works that thou doest.
4 For *there is* no man *that* doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known
openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.
5 For neither did his brethren believe in him.
6 Then Jesus said unto them, **My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready.**
7 **The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works**
thereof are evil.
8 **Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast; for my time is not yet full**
come.
9 When he had said these words unto them, he abode *still* in Galilee.
10 ¶ But when his brethren were gone up, then went he also up unto the feast, not openly,
but as it were in secret.
11 Then the Jews sought him at the feast, and said, Where is he?
12 And there was much murmuring among the people concerning him: for some said, He
is a good man: others said, Nay; but he deceiveth the people.
13 Howbeit no man spake openly of him for fear of the Jews.
14 ¶ Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught.
15 And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?
16 Jesus answered them, and said, **My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.**
17 **If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God,**
or *whether* I speak of myself.
18 **He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory**
that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.
19 **Did not Moses give you the law, and *yet* none of you keepeth the law? Why go ye**
about to kill me?
20 The people answered and said, Thou hast a devil: who goeth about to kill thee?
21 Jesus answered and said unto them, **I have done one work, and ye all marvel.**
22 **Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision; (not because it is of Moses, but of**
the fathers;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man.
23 **If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses should**
not be broken; are ye angry at me, because I have made a man every whit whole on
the sabbath day?

24 **Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.**
25 Then said some of them of Jerusalem, Is not this he, whom they seek to kill?
26 But, lo, he speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto him. Do the rulers know indeed
that this is the very Christ?
27 Howbeit we know this man whence he is: but when Christ cometh, no man knoweth
whence he is.
28 Then cried Jesus in the temple as he taught, saying, **Ye both know me, and ye know
whence I am: and I am not come of myself, but he that sent me is true, whom ye
know not.**
29 **But I know him: for I am from him, and he hath sent me.**
30 Then they sought to take him: but no man laid hands on him, because his hour was
not yet come.
31 And many of the people believed on him, and said, When Christ cometh, will he do
more miracles than these which this *man* hath done?
32 ¶ The Pharisees heard that the people murmured such things concerning him; and the
Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take him.
33 Then said Jesus unto them, **Yet a little while am I with you, and *then* I go unto him
that sent me.**
34 **Ye shall seek me, and shall not find *me*: and where I am, *thither* ye cannot come.**
35 Then said the Jews among themselves, Whither will he go, that we shall not find him?
will he go unto the dispersed among the Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles?
36 What *manner of* saying is this that he said, Ye shall seek me, and shall not find *me*: and
where I am, *thither* ye cannot come?
37 In the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, **If any man
thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.**
38 **He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow
rivers of living water.**
39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the
Holy Ghost was not yet *given*; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)
40 ¶ Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is the
Prophet.
41 Others said, This is the Christ. But some said, Shall Christ come out of Galilee?
42 Hath not the scripture said, That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the
town of Bethlehem, where David was?
43 So there was a division among the people because of him.
44 And some of them would have taken him; but no man laid hands on him.
45 ¶ Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them,
Why have ye not brought him?
46 The officers answered, Never man spake like this man.
47 Then answered them the Pharisees, Are ye also deceived?
48 Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him?
49 But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed.
50 Nicodemus saith unto them, (he that came to Jesus by night, being one of them,)
51 Doth our law judge *any* man, before it hear him, and know what he doeth?
52 They answered and said unto him, Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out
of Galilee ariseth no prophet.
53 And every man went unto his own house.

8

1 Jesus went unto the mount of Olives.
2 And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto
him; and he sat down, and taught them.
3 And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when
they had set her in the midst,
4 They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.
5 Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest
thou?
6 This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped
down, and with *his* finger wrote on the ground, *as though he heard them not*.
7 So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, **He that
is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.**
8 And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground.

9 And they which heard *it*, being convicted by *their own* conscience, went out one by
one, beginning at the eldest, *even* unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman
standing in the midst.
10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her,
Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?
11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, **Neither do I condemn thee: go, and
sin no more.**
12 ¶ Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, **I am the light of the world: he that
followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.**
13 The Pharisees therefore said unto him, Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is
not true.
14 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Though I bear record of myself, *yet* my record
is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I
come, and whither I go.**
15 **Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man.**
16 **And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father
that sent me.**
17 **It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.**
18 **I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth
witness of me.**
19 Then said they unto him, Where is thy Father? Jesus answered, **Ye neither know me,
nor my Father: if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.**
20 These words spake Jesus in the treasury, as he taught in the temple: and no man laid
hands on him; for his hour was not yet come.
21 Then said Jesus again unto them, **I go my way, and ye shall seek me, and shall die
in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.**
22 Then said the Jews, Will he kill himself? because he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot
come.
23 And he said unto them, **Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this
world; I am not of this world.**
24 **I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that
I am *he*, ye shall die in your sins.**
25 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? And Jesus saith unto them, **Even *the same*
that I said unto you from the beginning.**
26 **I have many things to say and to judge of you: but he that sent me is true; and I
speak to the world those things which I have heard of him.**
27 They understood not that he spake to them of the Father.
28 Then said Jesus unto them, **When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye
know that I am *he*, and *that* I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me,
I speak these things.**
29 **And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always
those things that please him.**
30 As he spake these words, many believed on him.
31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, **If ye continue in my word, *then*
are ye my disciples indeed;**
32 **And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.**
33 ¶ They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man:
how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?
34 Jesus answered them, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is
the servant of sin.**
35 **And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: *but* the Son abideth ever.**
36 **If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.**
37 **I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath
no place in you.**
38 **I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have
seen with your father.**
39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, **If ye
were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.**
40 **But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have
heard of God: this did not Abraham.**
41 **Ye do the deeds of your father.** Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication;
we have one Father, *even* God.

42 Jesus said unto them, **If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded**
forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.
43 **Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word.**
44 **Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a**
murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth
in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father
of it.
45 **And because I tell *you* the truth, ye believe me not.**
46 **Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe**
me?
47 **He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear *them* not, because ye**
are not of God.
48 Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan,
and hast a devil?
49 Jesus answered, **I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour**
me.
50 **And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth.**
51 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.**
52 Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead,
and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death.
53 Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead:
whom makest thou thyself?
54 Jesus answered, **If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that**
honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:
55 **Yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not,**
I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know him, and keep his saying.
56 **Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw *it*, and was glad.**
57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen
Abraham?
58 Jesus said unto them, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.**
59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the
temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

9

1 And as *Jesus* passed by, he saw a man which was blind from *his* birth.
2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that
he was born blind?
3 Jesus answered, **Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works**
of God should be made manifest in him.
4 **I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh,**
when no man can work.
5 **As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.**
6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he
anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,
7 And said unto him, **Go, wash in the pool of Siloam,** (which is by interpretation, Sent.)
He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.
8 ¶ The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind,
said, Is not this he that sat and begged?
9 Some said, This is he: others *said*, He is like him: *but* he said, I am *he*.
10 Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?
11 He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes,
and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I
received sight.
12 Then said they unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not.
13 ¶ They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind.
14 And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.
15 Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto
them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.
16 Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not
the sabbath day. Others said, How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there
was a division among them.

17 They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine
eyes? He said, He is a prophet.
18 But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his
sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.
19 And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then
doth he now see?
20 His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was
born blind:
21 But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know
not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.
22 These *words* spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed
already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the
synagogue.
23 Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.
24 Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise:
we know that this man is a sinner.
25 He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner *or no*, I know not: one thing I know,
that, whereas I was blind, now I see.
26 Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?
27 He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye
hear *it* again? will ye also be his disciples?
28 Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.
29 We know that God spake unto Moses: *as for* this *fellow*, we know not from whence he
is.
30 The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know
not from whence he is, and *yet* he hath opened mine eyes.
31 Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God,
and doeth his will, him he heareth.
32 Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was
born blind.
33 If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.
34 They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou
teach us? And they cast him out.
35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him,
Dost thou believe on the Son of God?
36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?
37 And Jesus said unto him, **Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with
thee.**
38 And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.
39 ¶ And Jesus said, **For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not
might see; and that they which see might be made blind.**
40 And *some* of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words, and said unto him,
Are we blind also?
41 Jesus said unto them, **If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We
see; therefore your sin remaineth.**

10

1 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold,
but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.**
2 **But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.**
3 **To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own
sheep by name, and leadeth them out.**
4 **And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep
follow him: for they know his voice.**
5 **And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the
voice of strangers.**
6 This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were
which he spake unto them.
7 Then said Jesus unto them again, **Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the
sheep.**
8 **All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear
them.**

9 **I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and**
out, and find pasture.
10 **The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that**
they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.
11 **I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.**
12 **But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not,**
seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth
them, and scattereth the sheep.
13 **The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.**
14 **I am the good shepherd, and know my *sheep*, and am known of mine.**
15 **As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for**
the sheep.
16 **And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and**
they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.
17 **Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take**
it again.
18 **No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it**
down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my
Father.
19 ¶ There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.
20 And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?
21 Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. Can a devil open the eyes
of the blind?
22 ¶ And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.
23 And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch.
24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us
to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.
25 Jesus answered them, **I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my**
Father's name, they bear witness of me.
26 **But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.**
27 **My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:**
28 **And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any**
***man* pluck them out of my hand.**
29 **My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck**
***them* out of my Father's hand.**
30 **I and *my* Father are one.**
31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.
32 Jesus answered them, **Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for**
which of those works do ye stone me?
33 The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy;
and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.
34 Jesus answered them, **Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?**
35 **If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture**
cannot be broken;
36 **Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou**
blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?
37 **If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.**
38 **But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and**
believe, that the Father *is* in me, and I in him.
39 Therefore they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,
40 And went away again beyond Jordan into the place where John at first baptized; and
there he abode.
41 And many resorted unto him, and said, John did no miracle: but all things that John
spake of this man were true.
42 And many believed on him there.

11

1 Now a certain *man* was sick, *named* Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister
Martha.
2 (It was *that* Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her
hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)
3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.

4 When Jesus heard *that*, he said, **This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.**
5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.
6 When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.
7 Then after that saith he to *his* disciples, **Let us go into Judæa again.**
8 *His* disciples say unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?
9 Jesus answered, **Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.**
10 **But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.**
11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, **Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.**
12 Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.
13 Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.
14 Then said Jesus unto them plainly, **Lazarus is dead.**
15 **And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.**
16 Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellowdisciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.
17 Then when Jesus came, he found that he had *lain* in the grave four days already.
18 Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off:
19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.
20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat *still* in the house.
21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.
22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give *it* thee.
23 Jesus saith unto her, **Thy brother shall rise again.**
24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.
25 Jesus said unto her, **I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:**
26 **And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?**
27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.
28 And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.
29 As soon as she heard *that*, she arose quickly, and came unto him.
30 Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.
31 The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.
32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.
33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled,
34 And said, **Where have ye laid him?** They said unto him, Lord, come and see.
35 Jesus wept.
36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!
37 And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?
38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.
39 Jesus said, **Take ye away the stone.** Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been *dead* four days.
40 Jesus saith unto her, **Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?**
41 Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, **Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.**

42 **And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said *it*, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.**
43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, **Lazarus, come forth.**
44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, **Loose him, and let him go.**
45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.
46 But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done.
47 ¶ Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles.
48 If we let him thus alone, all *men* will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.
49 And one of them, *named* Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all,
50 Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not.
51 And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;
52 And not for that nation only, but that also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad.
53 Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death.
54 Jesus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim, and there continued with his disciples.
55 ¶ And the Jews' passover was nigh at hand: and many went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the passover, to purify themselves.
56 Then sought they for Jesus, and spake among themselves, as they stood in the temple, What think ye, that he will not come to the feast?
57 Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment, that, if any man knew where he were, he should shew *it*, that they might take him.

12

1 Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead.
2 There they made him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him.
3 Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.
4 Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, which should betray him,
5 Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor?
6 This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein.
7 Then said Jesus, **Let her alone: against the day of my burying hath she kept this.**
8 **For the poor always ye have with you; but me ye have not always.**
9 Much people of the Jews therefore knew that he was there: and they came not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom he had raised from the dead.
10 ¶ But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death;
11 Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus.
12 ¶ On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,
13 Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed *is* the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.
14 And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written,
15 Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.
16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and *that* they had done these things unto him.
17 The people therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of his grave, and raised him from the dead, bare record.

18 For this cause the people also met him, for that they heard that he had done this
miracle.
19 The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing?
behold, the world is gone after him.
20 ¶ And there were certain Greeks among them that came up to worship at the feast:
21 The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him,
saying, Sir, we would see Jesus.
22 Philip cometh and telleth Andrew: and again Andrew and Philip tell Jesus.
23 ¶ And Jesus answered them, saying, **The hour is come, that the Son of man should
be glorified.**
24 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die,
it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.**
25 **He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall
keep it unto life eternal.**
26 **If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my
servant be: if any man serve me, him will *my* Father honour.**
27 **Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour:
but for this cause came I unto this hour.**
28 **Father, glorify thy name.** Then came there a voice from heaven, *saying*, I have both
glorified *it*, and will glorify *it* again.
29 The people therefore, that stood by, and heard *it*, said that it thundered: others said,
An angel spake to him.
30 Jesus answered and said, **This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.**
31 **Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast
out.**
32 **And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all *men* unto me.**
33 This he said, signifying what death he should die.
34 The people answered him, We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever:
and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man?
35 Then Jesus said unto them, **Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while
ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness
knoweth not whither he goeth.**
36 **While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.**
These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.
37 ¶ But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:
38 That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who
hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?
39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again,
40 He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with
their eyes, nor understand with *their* heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.
41 These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him.
42 ¶ Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the
Pharisees they did not confess *him*, lest they should be put out of the synagogue:
43 For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.
44 ¶ Jesus cried and said, **He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him
that sent me.**
45 **And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me.**
46 **I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not
abide in darkness.**
47 **And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not
to judge the world, but to save the world.**
48 **He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him:
the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.**
49 **For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a
commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.**
50 **And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak
therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.**

13

1 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he
should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the
world, he loved them unto the end.

2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot,
Simon's *son*, to betray him;
3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come
from God, and went to God;
4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded
himself.
5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to
wipe *them* with the towel wherewith he was girded.
6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my
feet?
7 Jesus answered and said unto him, **What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt
know hereafter.**
8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, **If I wash
thee not, thou hast no part with me.**
9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also *my* hands and *my* head.
10 Jesus saith to him, **He that is washed needeth not save to wash *his* feet, but is clean
every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.**
11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.
12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again,
he said unto them, **Know ye what I have done to you?**
13 **Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for *so* I am.**
14 **If I then, *your* Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash
one another's feet.**
15 **For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.**
16 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he
that is sent greater than he that sent him.**
17 **If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.**
18 ¶ **I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may
be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.**
19 **Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that
I am *he*.**
20 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth
me; and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.**
21 When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, **Verily,
verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.**
22 Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spake.
23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.
24 Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom
he spake.
25 He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, who is it?
26 Jesus answered, **He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped *it*.** And
when he had dipped the sop, he gave *it* to Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon.
27 And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, **That thou doest,
do quickly.**
28 Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spake this unto him.
29 For some *of them* thought, because Judas had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him,
Buy *those things* that we have need of against the feast; or, that he should give something
to the poor.
30 He then having received the sop went immediately out: and it was night.
31 ¶ Therefore, when he was gone out, Jesus said, **Now is the Son of man glorified, and
God is glorified in him.**
32 **If God be glorified in him, God shall also glorify him in himself, and shall
straightway glorify him.**
33 **Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: and as I said
unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you.**
34 **A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved
you, that ye also love one another.**
35 **By this shall all *men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to
another.**
36 ¶ Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goest thou? Jesus answered him, **Whither
I go, thou canst not follow me now; but thou shalt follow me afterwards.**

37 Peter said unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will lay down my life for
thy sake.
38 Jesus answered him, **Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say
unto thee, The cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice.**

14

1 **Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.**
2 **In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you.
I go to prepare a place for you.**
3 **And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto
myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.**
4 **And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.**
5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know
the way?
6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the
Father, but by me.**
7 **If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth
ye know him, and have seen him.**
8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.
9 Jesus saith unto him, **Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not
known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou
then, Shew us the Father?**
10 **Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that
I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth
the works.**
11 **Believe me that I *am* in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for
the very works' sake.**
12 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall
he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.**
13 **And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be
glorified in the Son.**
14 **If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.**
15 ¶ **If ye love me, keep my commandments.**
16 **And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may
abide with you for ever;**
17 ***Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him
not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be
in you.**
18 **I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.**
19 **Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live,
ye shall live also.**
20 **At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.**
21 **He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and
he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest
myself to him.**
22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto
us, and not unto the world?
23 Jesus answered and said unto him, **If a man love me, he will keep my words: and
my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**
24 **He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is
not mine, but the Father's which sent me.**
25 **These things have I spoken unto you, being *yet* present with you.**
26 **But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my
name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance,
whatsoever I have said unto you.**
27 **Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I
unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.**
28 **Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come *again* unto you. If ye
loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is
greater than I.**
29 **And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye
might believe.**

30 **Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh,**
and hath nothing in me.
31 **But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me**
commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.

15

1 **I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.**
2 **Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every *branch* that**
beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
3 **Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.**
4 **Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it**
abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
5 **I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same**
bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
6 **If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men**
gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.
7 **If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it**
shall be done unto you.
8 **Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.**
9 **As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.**
10 **If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my**
Father's commandments, and abide in his love.
11 **These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and *that***
your joy might be full.
12 **This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.**
13 **Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.**
14 **Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.**
15 **Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord**
doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I
have made known unto you.
16 **Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should**
go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye
shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.
17 **These things I command you, that ye love one another.**
18 **If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you.**
19 **If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of**
the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.
20 **Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his**
lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my
saying, they will keep yours also.
21 **But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know**
not him that sent me.
22 **If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have**
no cloke for their sin.
23 **He that hateth me hateth my Father also.**
24 **If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had**
not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.
25 **But *this cometh to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their**
law, They hated me without a cause.
26 **But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father,**
***even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:**
27 **And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the**
beginning.

16

1 **These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.**
2 **They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever**
killeth you will think that he doeth God service.
3 **And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father,**
nor me.

4 **But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.**
5 **But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?**
6 **But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.**
7 **Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.**
8 **And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:**
9 **Of sin, because they believe not on me;**
10 **Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;**
11 **Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.**
12 **I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.**
13 **Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.**
14 **He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.**
15 **All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.**
16 **A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.**
17 Then said *some* of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father?
18 They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell what he saith.
19 Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, **Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?**
20 **Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.**
21 **A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.**
22 **And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.**
23 **And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give *it* you.**
24 **Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.**
25 **These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.**
26 **At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:**
27 **For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God.**
28 **I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.**
29 His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.
30 Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.
31 Jesus answered them, **Do ye now believe?**
32 **Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.**
33 **These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.**

17

1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, **Father, the hour**
is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:
2 **As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as**
many as thou hast given him.
3 **And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus**
Christ, whom thou hast sent.
4 **I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest**
me to do.
5 **And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had**
with thee before the world was.
6 **I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world:**
thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.
7 **Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.**
8 **For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have**
received *them*, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have
believed that thou didst send me.
9 **I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me;**
for they are thine.
10 **And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.**
11 **And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to**
thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me,
that they may be one, as we *are*.
12 **While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou**
gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the
scripture might be fulfilled.
13 **And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might**
have my joy fulfilled in themselves.
14 **I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are**
not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
15 **I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou**
shouldest keep them from the evil.
16 **They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.**
17 **Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.**
18 **As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.**
19 **And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through**
the truth.
20 **Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me**
through their word;
21 **That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also**
may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.
22 **And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one,**
even as we are one:
23 **I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the**
world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved
me.
24 **Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am;**
that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me
before the foundation of the world.
25 **O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and**
these have known that thou hast sent me.
26 **And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare *it*: that the love**
wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

18

1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook
Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples.
2 And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jesus ofttimes resorted thither
with his disciples.
3 Judas then, having received a band *of men* and officers from the chief priests and
Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.

4 Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said
unto them, **Whom seek ye?**
5 They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, **I am *he*.** And Judas also,
which betrayed him, stood with them.
6 As soon then as he had said unto them, I am *he*, they went backward, and fell to the
ground.
7 Then asked he them again, **Whom seek ye?** And they said, Jesus of Nazareth.
8 Jesus answered, **I have told you that I am *he*: if therefore ye seek me, let these go
their way:**
9 That the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake, Of them which thou gavest me have
I lost none.
10 Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut
off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.
11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, **Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my
Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?**
12 Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him,
13 And led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the
high priest that same year.
14 Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one
man should die for the people.
15 ¶ And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and *so did* another disciple: that disciple was known
unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest.
16 But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was
known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter.
17 Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter, Art not thou also *one* of this man's
disciples? He saith, I am not.
18 And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold:
and they warmed themselves: and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself.
19 ¶ The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine.
20 Jesus answered him, **I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue,
and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing.**
21 **Why askest thou me? ask them which heard me, what I have said unto them:
behold, they know what I said.**
22 And when he had thus spoken, one of the officers which stood by struck Jesus with the
palm of his hand, saying, Answerest thou the high priest so?
23 Jesus answered him, **If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well,
why smitest thou me?**
24 Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.
25 And Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. They said therefore unto him, Art not
thou also *one* of his disciples? He denied *it*, and said, I am not.
26 One of the servants of the high priest, being *his* kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith,
Did not I see thee in the garden with him?
27 Peter then denied again: and immediately the cock crew.
28 ¶ Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and
they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they
might eat the passover.
29 Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man?
30 They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have
delivered him up unto thee.
31 Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The
Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:
32 That the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he
should die.
33 Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him,
Art thou the King of the Jews?
34 Jesus answered him, **Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of
me?**
35 Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered
thee unto me: what hast thou done?
36 Jesus answered, **My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this
world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but
now is my kingdom not from hence.**

37 Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, **Thou sayest
that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world,
that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my
voice.**
38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again
unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault *at all*.
39 But ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye
therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews?
40 Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a
robber.

19

1 Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged *him*.
2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put on him
a purple robe,
3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.
4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you,
that ye may know that I find no fault in him.
5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate*
saith unto them, Behold the man!
6 When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify
him, crucify *him*. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify *him*: for I find no fault in
him.
7 The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he
made himself the Son of God.
8 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;
9 And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But
Jesus gave him no answer.
10 Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have
power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?
11 Jesus answered, **Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were
given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater
sin.**
12 And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying,
If thou let this man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king
speaketh against Cæsar.
13 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the
judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.
14 And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto
the Jews, Behold your King!
15 But they cried out, Away with *him*, away with *him*, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them,
Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cæsar.
16 Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and
led *him* away.
17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called *the place* of a skull, which is
called in the Hebrew Golgotha:
18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the
midst.
19 ¶ And Pilate wrote a title, and put *it* on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF
NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.
20 This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh
to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, *and* Greek, *and* Latin.
21 Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but
that he said, I am King of the Jews.
22 Pilate answered, What I have written I have written.
23 ¶ Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four
parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, woven
from the top throughout.
24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it
shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among
them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.

25 ¶ Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the
wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.
26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he
saith unto his mother, **Woman, behold thy son!**
27 Then saith he to the disciple, **Behold thy mother!** And from that hour that disciple
took her unto his own *home.*
28 ¶ After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture
might be fulfilled, saith, **I thirst.**
29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a spunge with vinegar, and
put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth.
30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, **It is finished:** and he bowed
his head, and gave up the ghost.
31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain
upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate
that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.
32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was
crucified with him.
33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his
legs:
34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out
blood and water.
35 And he that saw *it* bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith
true, that ye might believe.
36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall
not be broken.
37 And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.
38 ¶ And after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of
the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave *him*
leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus.
39 And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought
a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound *weight*.
40 Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the
manner of the Jews is to bury.
41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new
sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid.
42 There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation *day*; for the sepulchre
was nigh at hand.

20

1 The first *day* of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the
sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.
2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus
loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we
know not where they have laid him.
3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.
4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the
sepulchre.
5 And he stooping down, *and looking in*, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.
6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the
linen clothes lie,
7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped
together in a place by itself.
8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw,
and believed.
9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.
10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.
11 ¶ But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped
down, *and looked* into the sepulchre,
12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet,
where the body of Jesus had lain.
13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they
have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and
knew not that it was Jesus.
15 Jesus saith unto her, **Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou?** She,
supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell
me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.
16 Jesus saith unto her, **Mary.** She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is
to say, Master.
17 Jesus saith unto her, **Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go
to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and
to my God, and your God.**
18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and *that* he
had spoken these things unto her.
19 ¶ Then the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were
shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the
midst, and saith unto them, **Peace *be* unto you.**
20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them *his* hands and his side. Then were the
disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.
21 Then said Jesus to them again, **Peace *be* unto you: as *my* Father hath sent me, even
so send I you.**
22 And when he had said this, he breathed on *them*, and saith unto them, **Receive ye the
Holy Ghost:**
23 **Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; *and* whose soever
sins ye retain, they are retained.**
24 ¶ But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.
25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto
them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print
of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.
26 ¶ And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: *then*
came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, **Peace *be* unto you.**
27 Then saith he to Thomas, **Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach
hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.**
28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.
29 Jesus saith unto him, **Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed:
blessed *are* they that have not seen, and *yet* have believed.**
30 ¶ And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not
written in this book:
31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and
that believing ye might have life through his name.

21

1 After these things Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and
on this wise shewed he *himself*.
2 There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana
in Galilee, and the *sons* of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples.
3 Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee.
They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing.
4 But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew
not that it was Jesus.
5 Then Jesus saith unto them, **Children, have ye any meat?** They answered him, No.
6 And he said unto them, **Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find.**
They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.
7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when
Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt *his* fisher's coat *unto him*, (for he was naked,)
and did cast himself into the sea.
8 And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it
were two hundred cubits,) dragging the net with fishes.
9 As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid
thereon, and bread.
10 Jesus saith unto them, **Bring of the fish which ye have now caught.**
11 Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty
and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.

12 Jesus saith unto them, **Come *and* dine.** And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who
art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.
13 Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.
14 This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was
risen from the dead.
15 ¶ So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, **Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest
thou me more than these?** He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee.
He saith unto him, **Feed my lambs.**
16 He saith to him again the second time, **Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me?** He saith
unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**
17 He saith unto him the third time, **Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me?** Peter was
grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him,
Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, **Feed my
sheep.**
18 **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and
walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch
forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry *thee* whither thou wouldest
not.**
19 This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had
spoken this, he saith unto him, **Follow me.**
20 Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also
leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee?
21 Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what *shall* this man *do*?
22 Jesus saith unto him, **If I will that he tarry till I come, what *is that* to thee? follow
thou me.**
23 Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die:
yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what *is
that* to thee?
24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we
know that his testimony is true.
25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be
written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that
should be written. Amen.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

1 The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and
teach,
2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given
commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:
3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being
seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:
4 And, being assembled together with *them*, commanded them that they should not
depart from Jerusalem, **but wait for the promise of the Father, which,** *saith he,* **ye have
heard of me.**
5 **For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost
not many days hence.**
6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at
this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?
7 And he said unto them, **It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which
the Father hath put in his own power.**
8 **But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye
shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæ**a, **and in Samaria, and
unto the uttermost part of the earth.**
9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud
received him out of their sight.
10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood
by them in white apparel;
11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same
Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have
seen him go into heaven.
12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from
Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.
13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both
Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew,
James *the son* of Alphaeus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas *the brother* of James.
14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and
Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.
15 ¶ And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number
of names together were about an hundred and twenty,)
16 Men *and* brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost
by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took
Jesus.
17 For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry.
18 Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he
burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out.
19 And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called
in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood.
20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man
dwell therein: and his bishoprick let another take.
21 Wherefore of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus
went in and out among us,
22 Beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us,
must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection.
23 And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and
Matthias.
24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all *men*, shew
whether of these two thou hast chosen,
25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgres-
sion fell, that he might go to his own place.
26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered
with the eleven apostles.

2

1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.
2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.
4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.
6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.
7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilæans?
8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?
9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,
10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,
11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.
12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?
13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.
14 ¶ But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judæa, and all *ye* that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:
15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is *but* the third hour of the day.
16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;
17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:
18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:
19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:
20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:
21 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:
23 Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:
24 Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.
25 For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:
26 Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:
27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.
28 Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.
29 Men *and* brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.
30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;
31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.
33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father
the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.
34 For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto
my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,
35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool.
36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same
Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.
37 ¶ Now when they heard *this*, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and
to the rest of the apostles, Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?
38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of
Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, *even* as
many as the Lord our God shall call.
40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from
this untoward generation.
41 ¶ Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were
added *unto them* about three thousand souls.
42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking
of bread, and in prayers.
43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the
apostles.
44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;
45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all *men*, as every man had
need.
46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from
house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,
47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church
daily such as should be saved.

3

1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the
ninth *hour*.
2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at
the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the
temple;
3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.
4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.
5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.
6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name
of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.
7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted *him* up: and immediately his feet and
ankle bones received strength.
8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking,
and leaping, and praising God.
9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:
10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple:
and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.
11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together
unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.
12 ¶ And when Peter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel
ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we
had made this man to walk?
13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified
his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he
was determined to let *him* go.
14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto
you;
15 And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are
witnesses.

16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and
know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence
of you all.
17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did *it*, as *did* also your rulers.
18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that
Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.
19 ¶ Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the
times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;
20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:
21 Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God
hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.
22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto
you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say
unto you.
23 And it shall come to pass, *that* every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be
destroyed from among the people.
24 Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have
spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.
25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our
fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.
26 Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning
away every one of you from his iniquities.

4

1 And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the
Sadducees, came upon them,
2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection
from the dead.
3 And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in hold unto the next day: for it was now
eventide.
4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was
about five thousand.
5 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,
6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as
were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.
7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name,
have ye done this?
8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders
of Israel,
9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means
he is made whole;
10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ
of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this
man stand here before you whole.
11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of
the corner.
12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven
given among men, whereby we must be saved.
13 ¶ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were
unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they
had been with Jesus.
14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing
against it.
15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred
among themselves,
16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been
done by them *is* manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we can not deny *it*.
17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they
speak henceforth to no man in this name.
18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name
of Jesus.

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of
God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.
20 For we can not but speak the things which we have seen and heard.
21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they
might punish them, because of the people: for all *men* glorified God for that which was
done.
22 For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.
23 ¶ And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief
priests and elders had said unto them.
24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said,
Lord, thou *art* God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them
is:
25 Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the
people imagine vain things?
26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord,
and against his Christ.
27 For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and
Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,
28 For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.
29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all
boldness they may speak thy word,
30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the
name of thy holy child Jesus.
31 ¶ And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled
together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with
boldness.
32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither
said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all
things common.
33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus:
and great grace was upon them all.
34 Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of
lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,
35 And laid *them* down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man
according as he had need.
36 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted,
The son of consolation,) a Levite, *and* of the country of Cyprus,
37 Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.

5

1 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,
2 And kept back *part* of the price, his wife also being privy *to it*, and brought a certain
part, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.
3 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and
to keep back *part* of the price of the land?
4 Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own
power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men,
but unto God.
5 And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came
on all them that heard these things.
6 And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried *him* out, and buried *him*.
7 And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was
done, came in.
8 And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she
said, Yea, for so much.
9 Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the
Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband *are* at the door, and shall
carry thee out.
10 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young
men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying *her* forth, buried *her* by her husband.
11 And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

12 ¶ And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the
people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.
13 And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them.
14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)
15 Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid *them* on beds and
couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.
16 There came also a multitude *out* of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing
sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every
one.
17 ¶ Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of
the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation,
18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.
19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth,
and said,
20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.
21 And when they heard *that*, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and
taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council
together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them
brought.
22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told,
23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing
without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.
24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard
these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.
25 Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are
standing in the temple, and teaching the people.
26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they
feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.
27 And when they had brought them, they set *them* before the council: and the high priest
asked them,
28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and,
behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood
upon us.
29 ¶ Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather
than men.
30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.
31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand *to be* a Prince and a Saviour, for to give
repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.
32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath
given to them that obey him.
33 ¶ When they heard *that*, they were cut *to the heart*, and took counsel to slay them.
34 Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the
law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a
little space;
35 And said unto them, Ye men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what ye intend to do as
touching these men.
36 For before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a
number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was slain; and all, as many
as obeyed him, were scattered, and brought to nought.
37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and drew away much
people after him: he also perished; and all, *even* as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.
38 And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel
or this work be of men, it will come to nought:
39 But if it be of God, ye can not overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against
God.
40 And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and beaten *them*, they
commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.
41 ¶ And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted
worthy to suffer shame for his name.
42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus
Christ.

6

1 And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.
2 Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples *unto them*, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.
3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.
4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.
5 ¶ And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:
6 Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid *their* hands on them.
7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.
8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.
9 ¶ Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called *the synagogue* of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.
10 And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.
11 Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and *against* God.
12 And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon *him*, and caught him, and brought *him* to the council,
13 And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:
14 For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us.
15 And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

7

1 Then said the high priest, Are these things so?
2 And he said, Men, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,
3 And said unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.
4 Then came he out of the land of the Chaldæans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell.
5 And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not *so much as* to set his foot on: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when *as yet* he had no child.
6 And God spake on this wise, That his seed should sojourn in a strange land; and that they should bring them into bondage, and entreat *them* evil four hundred years.
7 And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and serve me in this place.
8 And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so *Abraham* begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac *begat* Jacob; and Jacob *begat* the twelve patriarchs.
9 And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,
10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.
11 Now there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance.
12 But when Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.
13 And at the second *time* Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.
14 Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to *him*, and all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls.
15 So Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers,

16 And were carried over into Sychem, and laid in the sepulchre that Abraham bought
for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor *the father* of Sychem.
17 But when the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, the
people grew and multiplied in Egypt,
18 Till another king arose, which knew not Joseph.
19 The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil entreated our fathers, so that they
cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.
20 In which time Moses was born, and was exceeding fair, and nourished up in his father's
house three months:
21 And when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for
her own son.
22 And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words
and in deeds.
23 And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the
children of Israel.
24 And seeing one *of them* suffer wrong, he defended *him*, and avenged him that was
oppressed, and smote the Egyptian:
25 For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would
deliver them: but they understood not.
26 And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set
them at one again, saying, Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another?
27 But he that did his neighbour wrong thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a ruler
and a judge over us?
28 Wilt thou kill me, as thou diddest the Egyptian yesterday?
29 Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he
begat two sons.
30 And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount
Sina an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.
31 When Moses saw *it*, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold *it*, the
voice of the Lord came unto him,
32 *Saying*, I *am* the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the
God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold.
33 Then said the Lord to him, Put off thy shoes from thy feet: for the place where thou
standest is holy ground.
34 I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard
their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into
Egypt.
35 This Moses whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same
did God send *to be* a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him
in the bush.
36 He brought them out, after that he had shewed wonders and signs in the land of Egypt,
and in the Red sea, and in the wilderness forty years.
37 ¶ This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord
your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear.
38 This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him
in the mount Sina, and *with* our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto us:
39 To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust *him* from them, and in their hearts
turned back again into Egypt,
40 Saying unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for *as for* this Moses, which brought
us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.
41 And they made a calf in those days, and offered sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in
the works of their own hands.
42 Then God turned, and gave them up to worship the host of heaven; as it is written in the
book of the prophets, O ye house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices
by the space of forty years in the wilderness?
43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures
which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.
44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed,
speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen.
45 Which also our fathers that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the
Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David;
46 Who found favour before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.

47 But Solomon built him an house.
48 Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet,
49 Heaven *is* my throne, and earth *is* my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the
Lord: or what *is* the place of my rest?
50 Hath not my hand made all these things?
51 ¶ Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy
Ghost: as your fathers *did*, so *do* ye.
52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them
which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the
betrayers and murderers:
53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept *it.*
54 ¶ When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him
with *their* teeth.
55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory
of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,
56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right
hand of God.
57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their ears, and ran upon him with
one accord,
58 And cast *him* out of the city, and stoned *him*: and the witnesses laid down their clothes
at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.
59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon *God*, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.
60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge.
And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

8

1 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution
against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout
the regions of Judæa and Samaria, except the apostles.
2 And devout men carried Stephen *to his burial*, and made great lamentation over him.
3 As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men
and women committed *them* to prison.
4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.
5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.
6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake,
hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.
7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed *with
them*: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.
8 And there was great joy in that city.
9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used
sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one:
10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great
power of God.
11 And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with
sorceries.
12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God,
and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.
13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with
Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.
14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the
word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John:
15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy
Ghost:
16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of
the Lord Jesus.)
17 Then laid they *their* hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.
18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was
given, he offered them money,
19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the
Holy Ghost.
20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that
the gift of God may be purchased with money.

21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of
God.
22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine
heart may be forgiven thee.
23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and *in* the bond of iniquity.
24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things
which ye have spoken come upon me.
25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to
Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.
26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south
unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.
27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority
under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had
come to Jerusalem for to worship,
28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.
29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.
30 And Philip ran thither to *him*, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said,
Understandest thou what thou readest?
31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that
he would come up and sit with him.
32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the
slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:
33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his genera-
tion? for his life is taken from the earth.
34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet
this? of himself, or of some other man?
35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto
him Jesus.
36 And as they went on *their* way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said,
See, *here is* water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?
37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered
and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.
38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water,
both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.
39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away
Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.
40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till
he came to Cæsarea.

9

1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord,
went unto the high priest,
2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this
way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.
3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about
him a light from heaven:
4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, **Saul, Saul, why
persecutest thou me?**
5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, **I am Jesus whom thou
persecutest: *it is* hard for thee to kick against the pricks.**
6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the
Lord *said* unto him, **Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou
must do.**
7 And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing
no man.
8 And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but
they led him by the hand, and brought *him* into Damascus.
9 And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.
10 ¶ And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the
Lord in a vision, **Ananias.** And he said, Behold, I *am here*, Lord.

11 And the Lord *said* unto him, **Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight,**
and enquire in the house of Judas for *one* called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he
prayeth,
12 **And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting *his* hand**
on him, that he might receive his sight.
13 Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he
hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:
14 And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.
15 But the Lord said unto him, **Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear**
my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:
16 **For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.**
17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him
said, Brother Saul, the Lord, *even* Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest,
hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.
18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight
forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.
19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days
with the disciples which were at Damascus.
20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.
21 But all that heard *him* were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which
called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them
bound unto the chief priests?
22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at
Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.
23 ¶ And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:
24 But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night
to kill him.
25 Then the disciples took him by night, and let *him* down by the wall in a basket.
26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but
they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.
27 But Barnabas took him, and brought *him* to the apostles, and declared unto them how
he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached
boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.
28 And he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem.
29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians:
but they went about to slay him.
30 *Which* when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Cæsarea, and sent him forth
to Tarsus.
31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judæa and Galilee and Samaria, and were
edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were
multiplied.
32 ¶ And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout all *quarters*, he came down also to
the saints which dwelt at Lydda.
33 And there he found a certain man named Æneas, which had kept his bed eight years,
and was sick of the palsy.
34 And Peter said unto him, Æneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy
bed. And he arose immediately.
35 And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.
36 ¶ Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is
called Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did.
37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had
washed, they laid *her* in an upper chamber.
38 And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was
there, they sent unto him two men, desiring *him* that he would not delay to come to them.
39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into
the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping, and shewing the coats and
garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.
40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning *him* to the
body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.
41 And he gave her *his* hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and
widows, presented her alive.
42 And it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord.

43 And it came to pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.

10

1 There was a certain man in Cæsarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the
Italian *band*,
2 *A* devout *man*, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the
people, and prayed to God alway.
3 He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in
to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.
4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto
him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.
5 And now send men to Joppa, and call for *one* Simon, whose surname is Peter:
6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell thee
what thou oughtest to do.
7 And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his
household servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually;
8 And when he had declared all *these* things unto them, he sent them to Joppa.
9 ¶ On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went
up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:
10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell
into a trance,
11 And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a
great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:
12 Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and
creeping things, and fowls of the air.
13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.
14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or
unclean.
15 And the voice *spake* unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, *that* call
not thou common.
16 This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.
17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean,
behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and
stood before the gate,
18 And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.
19 ¶ While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek
thee.
20 Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have
sent them.
21 Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said,
Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what *is* the cause wherefore ye are come?
22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and of
good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by an holy angel to
send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee.
23 Then called he them in, and lodged *them.* And on the morrow Peter went away with
them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.
24 And the morrow after they entered into Cæsarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and
had called together his kinsmen and near friends.
25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and
worshipped *him*.
26 But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man.
27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together.
28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a
Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath shewed me that I
should not call any man common or unclean.
29 Therefore came I *unto you* without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore
for what intent ye have sent for me?
30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I
prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,
31 And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in
the sight of God.

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged
in the house of *one* Simon a tanner by the sea side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto
thee.
33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now
therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee
of God.
34 ¶ Then Peter opened *his* mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter
of persons:
35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with
him.
36 The word which *God* sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ:
(he is Lord of all:)
37 That word, *I say*, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from
Galilee, after the baptism which John preached;
38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went
about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.
39 And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in
Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:
40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;
41 Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, *even* to us, who did eat
and drink with him after he rose from the dead.
42 And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was
ordained of God *to be* the Judge of quick and dead.
43 To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in
him shall receive remission of sins.
44 ¶ While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the
word.
45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with
Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.
46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,
47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the
Holy Ghost as well as we?
48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they
him to tarry certain days.

11

1 And the apostles and brethren that were in Judæa heard that the Gentiles had also
received the word of God.
2 And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision
contended with him,
3 Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them.
4 But Peter rehearsed *the matter* from the beginning, and expounded *it* by order unto
them, saying,
5 I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend,
as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me:
6 Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts
of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.
7 And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat.
8 But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into
my mouth.
9 But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not
thou common.
10 And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven.
11 And, behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where
I was, sent from Cæsarea unto me.
12 And the Spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brethren
accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house:
13 And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto
him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter;
14 Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.
15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.

16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, **John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.**
17 Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as *he did* unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?
18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.
19 ¶ Now they which were scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.
20 And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus.
21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.
22 ¶ Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.
23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.
24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.
25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul:
26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.
27 ¶ And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch.
28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar.
29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa:
30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

12

1 Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth *his* hands to vex certain of the church.
2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.
3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)
4 And when he had apprehended him, he put *him* in prison, and delivered *him* to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.
5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.
6 And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison.
7 And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon *him*, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from *his* hands.
8 And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.
9 And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision.
10 When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him.
11 And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and *from* all the expectation of the people of the Jews.
12 And when he had considered *the thing*, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together praying.
13 And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda.
14 And when she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.

15 And they said unto her, Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so.
Then said they, It is his angel.
16 But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened *the door*, and saw him, they
were astonished.
17 But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them
how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go shew these things unto
James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.
18 Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, what was become
of Peter.
19 And when Herod had sought for him, and found him not, he examined the keepers, and
commanded that *they* should be put to death. And he went down from Judæa to Cæsarea,
and *there* abode.
20 ¶ And Herod was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon: but they came with
one accord to him, and, having made Blastus the king's chamberlain their friend, desired
peace; because their country was nourished by the king's *country*.
21 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an
oration unto them.
22 And the people gave a shout, *saying, It is* the voice of a god, and not of a man.
23 And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory:
and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.
24 ¶ But the word of God grew and multiplied.
25 And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled *their*
ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.

13

1 Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as
Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which
had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.
2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas
and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.
3 And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid *their* hands on them, they sent *them*
away.
4 ¶ So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence
they sailed to Cyprus.
5 And when they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of
the Jews: and they had also John to *their* minister.
6 And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a
false prophet, a Jew, whose name *was* Bar-jesus:
7 Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called
for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God.
8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking
to turn away the deputy from the faith.
9 Then Saul, (who also *is called* Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him,
10 And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, *thou* child of the devil, *thou* enemy of
all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?
11 And now, behold, the hand of the Lord *is* upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing
the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went
about seeking some to lead him by the hand.
12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the
doctrine of the Lord.
13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pam-
phylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.
14 ¶ But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into
the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.
15 And after the reading of the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto
them, saying, *Ye* men *and* brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say
on.
16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with *his* hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear
God, give audience.
17 The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they
dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.
18 And about the time of forty years suffered he their manners in the wilderness.

19 And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, he divided their
land to them by lot.
20 And after that he gave *unto them* judges about the space of four hundred and fifty
years, until Samuel the prophet.
21 And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man
of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.
22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to
whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after
mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.
23 Of this man's seed hath God according to *his* promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:
24 When John had first preached before his coming the baptism of repentance to all the
people of Israel.
25 And as John fulfilled his course, he said, Whom think ye that I am? I am not *he*. But,
behold, there cometh one after me, whose shoes of *his* feet I am not worthy to loose.
26 Men *and* brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you
feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent.
27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet
the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled *them* in
condemning *him*.
28 And though they found no cause of death *in him*, yet desired they Pilate that he should
be slain.
29 And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took *him* down from the
tree, and laid *him* in a sepulchre.
30 But God raised him from the dead:
31 And he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to
Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.
32 And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the
fathers,
33 God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again;
as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.
34 And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, *now* no more to return to
corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David.
35 Wherefore he saith also in another *psalm*, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see
corruption.
36 For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and
was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption:
37 But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption.
38 ¶ Be it known unto you therefore, men *and* brethren, that through this man is preached
unto you the forgiveness of sins:
39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be
justified by the law of Moses.
40 Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets;
41 Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work
which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.
42 And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these
words might be preached to them the next sabbath.
43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes
followed Paul and Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the
grace of God.
44 ¶ And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of
God.
45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against
those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.
46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God
should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves
unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.
47 For so hath the Lord commanded us, *saying*, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles,
that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.
48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord:
and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.
49 And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the
city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their
coasts.
51 But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium.
52 And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

14

1 And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the
Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.
2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected
against the brethren.
3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto
the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.
4 But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with
the apostles.
5 And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews with
their rulers, to use *them* despitefully, and to stone them,
6 They were ware of *it*, and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the
region that lieth round about:
7 And there they preached the gospel.
8 ¶ And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his
mother's womb, who never had walked:
9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had
faith to be healed,
10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.
11 And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the
speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.
12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief
speaker.
13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto
the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.
14 *Which* when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard *of*, they rent their clothes, and ran
in among the people, crying out,
15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you,
and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which
made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:
16 Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.
17 Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain
from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.
18 And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done
sacrifice unto them.
19 ¶ And there came thither *certain* Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the
people, and, having stoned Paul, drew *him* out of the city, supposing he had been dead.
20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city:
and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.
21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they
returned again to Lystra, and *to* Iconium, and Antioch,
22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, *and* exhorting them to continue in the faith, and
that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.
23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with
fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.
24 And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.
25 And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:
26 And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace
of God for the work which they fulfilled.
27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all
that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.
28 And there they abode long time with the disciples.

15

1 And certain men which came down from Judæa taught the brethren, *and said*, Except
ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with
them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up
to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.
3 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and
Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the
brethren.
4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and *of* the
apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.
5 But there rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was
needful to circumcise them, and to command *them* to keep the law of Moses.
6 ¶ And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter.
7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men *and*
brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles
by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.
8 And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost,
even as *he did* unto us;
9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.
10 Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which
neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?
11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even
as they.
12 ¶ Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul,
declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.
13 ¶ And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men *and* brethren,
hearken unto me:
14 Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a
people for his name.
15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,
16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen
down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:
17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom
my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.
18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.
19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles
are turned to God:
20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and *from*
fornication, and *from* things strangled, and *from* blood.
21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the
synagogues every sabbath day.
22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of
their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; *namely,* Judas surnamed Barsabas,
and Silas, chief men among the brethren:
23 And they wrote *letters* by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and
brethren *send* greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria
and Cilicia:
24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you
with words, subverting your souls, saying, *Ye must* be circumcised, and keep the law: to
whom we gave no *such* commandment:
25 It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto
you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,
26 Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
27 We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell *you* the same things by
mouth.
28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than
these necessary things;
29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled,
and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.
30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the
multitude together, they delivered the epistle:
31 *Which* when they had read, they rejoiced for the consolation.
32 And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many
words, and confirmed *them*.

33 And after they had tarried *there* a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren
unto the apostles.
34 Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.
35 Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the
Lord, with many others also.
36 ¶ And some days after Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren
in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, *and see* how they do.
37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, whose surname was Mark.
38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, who departed from them from
Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work.
39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from
the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;
40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the
grace of God.
41 And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.

16

1 Then came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named
Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father
was a Greek:
2 Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.
3 Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him because of
the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.
4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, that
were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem.
5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.
6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were
forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia,
7 After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered
them not.
8 And they passing by Mysia came down to Troas.
9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed
him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.
10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia,
assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.
11 Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the
next *day* to Neapolis;
12 And from thence to Philippi, which is the chief city of that part of Macedonia, *and* a
colony: and we were in that city abiding certain days.
13 And on the sabbath we went out of the city by a river side, where prayer was wont to
be made; and we sat down, and spake unto the women which resorted *thither.*
14 ¶ And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which
worshipped God, heard *us*: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things
which were spoken of Paul.
15 And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought *us*, saying, If ye have
judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide *there*. And she
constrained us.
16 ¶ And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of
divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying:
17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the
most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.
18 And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I
command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same
hour.
19 ¶ And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul
and Silas, and drew *them* into the marketplace unto the rulers,
20 And brought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly
trouble our city,
21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being
Romans.
22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their
clothes, and commanded to beat *them*.

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast *them* into prison, charging
the jailor to keep them safely:
24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their
feet fast in the stocks.
25 ¶ And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners
heard them.
26 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were
shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.
27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors
open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners
had been fled.
28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.
29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before
Paul and Silas,
30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?
31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.
32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.
33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed *their* stripes; and was
baptized, he and all his, straightway.
34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced,
believing in God with all his house.
35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the serjeants, saying, Let those men go.
36 And the keeper of the prison told this saying to Paul, The magistrates have sent to let
you go: now therefore depart, and go in peace.
37 But Paul said unto them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans,
and have cast *us* into prison; and now do they thrust us out privily? nay verily; but let them
come themselves and fetch us out.
38 And the serjeants told these words unto the magistrates: and they feared, when they
heard that they were Romans.
39 And they came and besought them, and brought *them* out, and desired *them* to depart
out of the city.
40 And they went out of the prison, and entered into *the house of* Lydia: and when they
had seen the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.

17

1 Now when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessa-
lonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:
2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with
them out of the scriptures,
3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the
dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.
4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks
a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.
5 ¶ But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd
fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and
assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.
6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers
of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;
7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Cæsar, saying
that there is another king, *one* Jesus.
8 And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.
9 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.
10 ¶ And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who
coming *thither* went into the synagogue of the Jews.
11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with
all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.
12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and
of men, not a few.
13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached
of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.
14 And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas
and Timotheus abode there still.

15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed, they departed.
16 ¶ Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city wholly given to idolatry.
17 Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.
18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.
19 And they took him, and brought him unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, *is*?
20 For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean.
21 (For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.)
22 ¶ Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, *Ye* men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.
23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.
24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;
25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;
26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;
27 That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:
28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.
29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.
30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:
31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; *whereof* he hath given assurance unto all *men*, in that he hath raised him from the dead.
32 ¶ And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this *matter*.
33 So Paul departed from among them.
34 Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which *was* Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

18

1 After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;
2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them.
3 And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.
4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.
5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews *that* Jesus *was* Christ.
6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook *his* raiment, and said unto them, Your blood *be* upon your own heads; I *am* clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.
7 ¶ And he departed thence, and entered into a certain *man's* house, named Justus, *one* that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.
8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.
9 Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, **Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:**

10 **For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much**
people in this city.
11 And he continued *there* a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.
12 ¶ And when Gallio was the deputy of Achaia, the Jews made insurrection with one
accord against Paul, and brought him to the judgment seat,
13 Saying, This *fellow* persuadeth men to worship God contrary to the law.
14 And when Paul was now about to open *his* mouth, Gallio said unto the Jews, If it were a
matter of wrong or wicked lewdness, O *ye* Jews, reason would that I should bear with you:
15 But if it be a question of words and names, and *of* your law, look ye *to it*; for I will be
no judge of such *matters*.
16 And he drave them from the judgment seat.
17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat *him*
before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.
18 ¶ And Paul *after this* tarried *there* yet a good while, and then took his leave of the
brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn
his head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.
19 And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the
synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews.
20 When they desired *him* to tarry longer time with them, he consented not;
21 But bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in
Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.
22 And when he had landed at Cæsarea, and gone up, and saluted the church, he went
down to Antioch.
23 And after he had spent some time *there*, he departed, and went over *all* the country of
Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples.
24 ¶ And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, *and* mighty
in the scriptures, came to Ephesus.
25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he
spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.
26 And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had
heard, they took him unto *them*, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.
27 And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the
disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, helped them much which had believed
through grace:
28 For he mightily convinced the Jews, *and that* publickly, shewing by the scriptures that
Jesus was Christ.

19

1 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the
upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,
2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said
unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.
3 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's
baptism.
4 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the
people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ
Jesus.
5 When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.
6 And when Paul had laid *his* hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they
spake with tongues, and prophesied.
7 And all the men were about twelve.
8 And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months,
disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.
9 But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before
the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the
school of one Tyrannus.
10 And this continued by the space of two years; so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard
the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.
11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:
12 So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the
diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

13 ¶ Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which
had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul
preacheth.
14 And there were seven sons of *one* Sceva, a Jew, *and* chief of the priests, which did so.
15 And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?
16 And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and
prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.
17 And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell
on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.
18 And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.
19 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned
them before all *men*: and they counted the price of them, and found *it* fifty thousand *pieces*
of silver.
20 So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.
21 ¶ After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed
through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must
also see Rome.
22 So he sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him, Timotheus and
Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.
23 And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.
24 For a certain *man* named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for
Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen;
25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ye know
that by this craft we have our wealth.
26 Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia,
this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which
are made with hands:
27 So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple
of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed,
whom all Asia and the world worshippeth.
28 And when they heard *these sayings*, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying,
Great *is* Diana of the Ephesians.
29 And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and
Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord
into the theatre.
30 And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not.
31 And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him, desiring *him*
that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.
32 Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused;
and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.
33 And they drew Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And
Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.
34 But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours
cried out, Great *is* Diana of the Ephesians.
35 And when the townclerk had appeased the people, he said, *Ye* men of Ephesus, what
man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the
great goddess Diana, and of the *image* which fell down from Jupiter?
36 Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, ye ought to be quiet, and to do
nothing rashly.
37 For ye have brought hither these men, which are neither robbers of churches, nor yet
blasphemers of your goddess.
38 Wherefore if Demetrius, and the craftsmen which are with him, have a matter against
any man, the law is open, and there are deputies: let them implead one another.
39 But if ye enquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a lawful
assembly.
40 For we are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause
whereby we may give an account of this concourse.
41 And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

20

1 And after the uproar was ceased, Paul called unto *him* the disciples, and embraced
them, and departed for to go into Macedonia.

2 And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he
came into Greece,
3 And *there* abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about
to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.
4 And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians,
Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and
Trophimus.
5 These going before tarried for us at Troas.
6 And we sailed away from Philippi after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto
them to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days.
7 And upon the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread,
Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until
midnight.
8 And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.
9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a
deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from
the third loft, and was taken up dead.
10 And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing *him* said, Trouble not yourselves;
for his life is in him.
11 When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked
a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.
12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.
13 ¶ And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there intending to take in Paul:
for so had he appointed, minding himself to go afoot.
14 And when he met with us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene.
15 And we sailed thence, and came the next *day* over against Chios; and the next *day* we
arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next *day* we came to Miletus.
16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in
Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost.
17 ¶ And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.
18 And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that
I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,
19 Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations,
which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:
20 *And* how I kept back nothing that was profitable *unto you*, but have shewed you, and
have taught you publickly, and from house to house,
21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith
toward our Lord Jesus Christ.
22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that
shall befall me there:
23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions
abide me.
24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I
might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus,
to testify the gospel of the grace of God.
25 And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom
of God, shall see my face no more.
26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I *am* pure from the blood of all *men*.
27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.
28 ¶ Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy
Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with
his own blood.
29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not
sparing the flock.
30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away
disciples after them.
31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn
every one night and day with tears.
32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able
to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.
33 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel.

34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to
them that were with me.
35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and
to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, **It is more blessed to give than to
receive.**
36 ¶ And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.
37 And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,
38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no
more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.

21

1 And it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came
with a straight course unto Coos, and the *day* following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto
Patara:
2 And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.
3 Now when we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria,
and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.
4 And finding disciples, we tarried there seven days: who said to Paul through the Spirit,
that he should not go up to Jerusalem.
5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they
all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till *we were* out of the city: and we
kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.
6 And when we had taken our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned home
again.
7 And when we had finished *our* course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted
the brethren, and abode with them one day.
8 And the next *day* we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Cæsarea: and
we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was *one* of the seven; and abode
with him.
9 And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.
10 And as we tarried *there* many days, there came down from Judæa a certain prophet,
named Agabus.
11 And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and
feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that
owneth this girdle, and shall deliver *him* into the hands of the Gentiles.
12 And when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, besought him not to
go up to Jerusalem.
13 Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? for I am ready
not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.
14 And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done.
15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.
16 There went with us also *certain* of the disciples of Cæsarea, and brought with them one
Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.
17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.
18 And the *day* following Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present.
19 And when he had saluted them, he declared particularly what things God had wrought
among the Gentiles by his ministry.
20 And when they heard *it*, they glorified the Lord, and said unto him, Thou seest, brother,
how many thousands of Jews there are which believe; and they are all zealous of the law:
21 And they are informed of thee, that thou teachest all the Jews which are among the
Gentiles to forsake Moses, saying that they ought not to circumcise *their* children, neither
to walk after the customs.
22 What is it therefore? the multitude must needs come together: for they will hear that
thou art come.
23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them;
24 Them take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they
may shave *their* heads: and all may know that those things, whereof they were informed
concerning thee, are nothing; but *that* thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the
law.
25 As touching the Gentiles which believe, we have written *and* concluded that they
observe no such thing, save only that they keep themselves from *things* offered to idols,
and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.

26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them entered into
the temple, to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, until that an offering
should be offered for every one of them.
27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews which were of Asia, when they
saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him,
28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the man, that teacheth all *men* every where
against the people, and the law, and this place: and further brought Greeks also into the
temple, and hath polluted this holy place.
29 (For they had seen before with him in the city Trophimus an Ephesian, whom they
supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)
30 And all the city was moved, and the people ran together: and they took Paul, and drew
him out of the temple: and forthwith the doors were shut.
31 And as they went about to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain of the band,
that all Jerusalem was in an uproar.
32 Who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down unto them: and when
they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they left beating of Paul.
33 Then the chief captain came near, and took him, and commanded *him* to be bound
with two chains; and demanded who he was, and what he had done.
34 And some cried one thing, some another, among the multitude: and when he could not
know the certainty for the tumult, he commanded him to be carried into the castle.
35 And when he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was borne of the soldiers for the
violence of the people.
36 For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, Away with him.
37 And as Paul was to be led into the castle, he said unto the chief captain, May I speak
unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek?
38 Art not thou that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out
into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers?
39 But Paul said, I am a man *which am* a Jew of Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean
city: and, I beseech thee, suffer me to speak unto the people.
40 And when he had given him licence, Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with the
hand unto the people. And when there was made a great silence, he spake unto *them* in the
Hebrew tongue, saying,

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1 Men, brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defence *which I make* now unto you.
2 (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more
silence: and he saith,)
3 I am verily a man *which am* a Jew, born in Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, yet brought up in this
city at the feet of Gamaliel, *and* taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the
fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day.
4 And I persecuted this way unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men
and women.
5 As also the high priest doth bear me witness, and all the estate of the elders: from whom
also I received letters unto the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring them which were
there bound unto Jerusalem, for to be punished.
6 And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and was come nigh unto Damascus
about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me.
7 And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, **Saul, Saul, why
persecutest thou me?**
8 And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, **I am Jesus of Nazareth,
whom thou persecutest.**
9 And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but they heard not
the voice of him that spake to me.
10 And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, **Arise, and go into
Damascus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee
to do.**
11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that
were with me, I came into Damascus.
12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the
Jews which dwelt *there*,
13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the
same hour I looked up upon him.

14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his
will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.
15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.
16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on
the name of the Lord.
17 And it came to pass, that, when I was come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in
the temple, I was in a trance;
18 And saw him saying unto me, **Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem:
for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me.**
19 And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that
believed on thee:
20 And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and
consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him.
21 And he said unto me, **Depart: for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.**
22 And they gave him audience unto this word, and *then* lifted up their voices, and said,
Away with such a *fellow* from the earth: for it is not fit that he should live.
23 And as they cried out, and cast off *their* clothes, and threw dust into the air,
24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he
should be examined by scourging; that he might know wherefore they cried so against
him.
25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it
lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?
26 When the centurion heard *that*, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed
what thou doest: for this man is a Roman.
27 Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said,
Yea.
28 And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul
said, But I was *free* born.
29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and the
chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had
bound him.
30 On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was
accused of the Jews, he loosed him from *his* bands, and commanded the chief priests and
all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them.

23

1 And Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men *and* brethren, I have lived in all
good conscience before God until this day.
2 And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him to smite him on the
mouth.
3 Then said Paul unto him, God shall smite thee, *thou* whited wall: for sittest thou to judge
me after the law, and commandest me to be smitten contrary to the law?
4 And they that stood by said, Revilest thou God's high priest?
5 Then said Paul, I wist not, brethren, that he was the high priest: for it is written, Thou
shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people.
6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he
cried out in the council, Men *and* brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the
hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question.
7 And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and the
Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.
8 For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection, neither angel, nor spirit: but the
Pharisees confess both.
9 And there arose a great cry: and the scribes *that were* of the Pharisees' part arose, and
strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him,
let us not fight against God.
10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should
have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him
by force from among them, and to bring *him* into the castle.
11 And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, **Be of good cheer, Paul: for
as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.**
12 And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under
a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

13 And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.
14 And they came to the chief priests and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will eat nothing until we have slain Paul.
15 Now therefore ye with the council signify to the chief captain that he bring him down unto you to morrow, as though ye would enquire something more perfectly concerning him: and we, or ever he come near, are ready to kill him.
16 And when Paul's sister's son heard of their lying in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.
17 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto *him*, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain: for he hath a certain thing to tell him.
18 So he took him, and brought *him* to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me unto *him*, and prayed me to bring this young man unto thee, who hath something to say unto thee.
19 Then the chief captain took him by the hand, and went *with him* aside privately, and asked *him*, What is that thou hast to tell me?
20 And he said, The Jews have agreed to desire thee that thou wouldest bring down Paul to morrow into the council, as though they would enquire somewhat of him more perfectly.
21 But do not thou yield unto them: for there lie in wait for him of them more than forty men, which have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a promise from thee.
22 So the chief captain *then* let the young man depart, and charged *him, See thou* tell no man that thou hast shewed these things to me.
23 And he called unto *him* two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Cæsarea, and horsemen threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night;
24 And provide *them* beasts, that they may set Paul on, and bring *him* safe unto Felix the governor.
25 And he wrote a letter after this manner:
26 Claudius Lysias unto the most excellent governor Felix *sendeth* greeting.
27 This man was taken of the Jews, and should have been killed of them: then came I with an army, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.
28 And when I would have known the cause wherefore they accused him, I brought him forth into their council:
29 Whom I perceived to be accused of questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death or of bonds.
30 And when it was told me how that the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent straightway to thee, and gave commandment to his accusers also to say before thee what *they had* against him. Farewell.
31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought *him* by night to Antipatris.
32 On the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle:
33 Who, when they came to Cæsarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him.
34 And when the governor had read *the letter*, he asked of what province he was. And when he understood that *he was* of Cilicia;
35 I will hear thee, said he, when thine accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept in Herod's judgment hall.

24

1 And after five days Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and *with* a certain orator *named* Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul.
2 And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse *him*, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done unto this nation by thy providence,
3 We accept *it* always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.
4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee, I pray thee that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.
5 For we have found this man *a* pestilent *fellow*, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:
6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law.

7 But the chief captain Lysias came *upon us*, and with great violence took *him* away out
of our hands,
8 Commanding his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of whom thyself mayest
take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.
9 And the Jews also assented, saying that these things were so.
10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered,
Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto this nation, I do the
more cheerfully answer for myself:
11 Because that thou mayest understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went
up to Jerusalem for to worship.
12 And they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up
the people, neither in the synagogues, nor in the city:
13 Neither can they prove the things whereof they now accuse me.
14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the
God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:
15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a
resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.
16 And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward
God, and *toward* men.
17 Now after many years I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.
18 Whereupon certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with
multitude, nor with tumult.
19 Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, if they had ought against me.
20 Or else let these same *here* say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood
before the council,
21 Except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Touching the
resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.
22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of *that* way, he
deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the
uttermost of your matter.
23 And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let *him* have liberty, and that he
should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him.
24 And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he
sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ.
25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix
trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will
call for thee.
26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose
him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.
27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the
Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.

25

1 Now when Festus was come into the province, after three days he ascended from
Cæsarea to Jerusalem.
2 Then the high priest and the chief of the Jews informed him against Paul, and besought
him,
3 And desired favour against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying wait
in the way to kill him.
4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at Cæsarea, and that he himself would
depart shortly *thither*.
5 Let them therefore, said he, which among you are able, go down with *me*, and accuse
this man, if there be any wickedness in him.
6 And when he had tarried among them more than ten days, he went down unto Cæsarea;
and the next day sitting on the judgment seat commanded Paul to be brought.
7 And when he was come, the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about,
and laid many and grievous complaints against Paul, which they could not prove.
8 While he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against the
temple, nor yet against Cæsar, have I offended any thing at all.
9 But Festus, willing to do the Jews a pleasure, answered Paul, and said, Wilt thou go up
to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me?

10 Then said Paul, I stand at Cæsar's judgment seat, where I ought to be judged: to the
Jews have I done no wrong, as thou very well knowest.
11 For if I be an offender, or have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to
die: but if there be none of these things whereof these accuse me, no man may deliver me
unto them. I appeal unto Cæsar.
12 Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, Hast thou appealed
unto Cæsar? unto Cæsar shalt thou go.
13 And after certain days king Agrippa and Bernice came unto Cæsarea to salute Festus.
14 And when they had been there many days, Festus declared Paul's cause unto the king,
saying, There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:
15 About whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews
informed *me*, desiring *to have* judgment against him.
16 To whom I answered, It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die,
before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer
for himself concerning the crime laid against him.
17 Therefore, when they were come hither, without any delay on the morrow I sat on the
judgment seat, and commanded the man to be brought forth.
18 Against whom when the accusers stood up, they brought none accusation of such
things as I supposed:
19 But had certain questions against him of their own superstition, and of one Jesus,
which was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive.
20 And because I doubted of such manner of questions, I asked *him* whether he would go
to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.
21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved unto the hearing of Augustus, I com-
manded him to be kept till I might send him to Cæsar.
22 Then Agrippa said unto Festus, I would also hear the man myself. To morrow, said he,
thou shalt hear him.
23 And on the morrow, when Agrippa was come, and Bernice, with great pomp, and was
entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains, and principal men of the city, at
Festus' commandment Paul was brought forth.
24 And Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men which are here present with us, ye see this
man, about whom all the multitude of the Jews have dealt with me, both at Jerusalem, and
also here, crying that he ought not to live any longer.
25 But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and that he himself
hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send him.
26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord. Wherefore I have brought him
forth before you, and specially before thee, O king Agrippa, that, after examination had, I
might have somewhat to write.
27 For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not withal to signify the
crimes *laid* against him.

26

1 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. Then Paul
stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself:
2 I think myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before
thee touching all the things whereof I am accused of the Jews:
3 Especially *because I know* thee to be expert in all customs and questions which are
among the Jews: wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.
4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among mine own nation at
Jerusalem, know all the Jews;
5 Which knew me from the beginning, if they would testify, that after the most straitest
sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee.
6 And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our
fathers:
7 Unto which *promise* our twelve tribes, instantly serving *God* day and night, hope to
come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.
8 Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?
9 I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of
Jesus of Nazareth.
10 Which thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison,
having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave
my voice against *them*.

11 And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled *them* to blaspheme; and
being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted *them* even unto strange cities.
12 Whereupon as I went to Damascus with authority and commission from the chief
priests,
13 At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the
sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me.
14 And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying
in the Hebrew tongue, **Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? *it is* hard for thee to kick
against the pricks.**
15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, **I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.**
16 **But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this
purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast
seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;**
17 **Delivering thee from the people, and *from* the Gentiles, unto whom now I send
thee,**
18 **To open their eyes, *and* to turn *them* from darkness to light, and *from* the
power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance
among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.**
19 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:
20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the
coasts of Judæa, and *then* to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do
works meet for repentance.
21 For these causes the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill *me*.
22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to
small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did
say should come:
23 That Christ should suffer, *and* that he should be the first that should rise from the dead,
and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.
24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside
thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.
25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and
soberness.
26 For the king knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am
persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a
corner.
27 King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.
28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.
29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day,
were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.
30 And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and
they that sat with them:
31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man
doeth nothing worthy of death or of bonds.
32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not
appealed unto Cæsar.

27

1 And when it was determined that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and
certain other prisoners unto *one* named Julius, a centurion of Augustus' band.
2 And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of
Asia; *one* Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.
3 And the next *day* we touched at Sidon. And Julius courteously entreated Paul, and gave
him liberty to go unto his friends to refresh himself.
4 And when we had launched from thence, we sailed under Cyprus, because the winds
were contrary.
5 And when we had sailed over the sea of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, *a city*
of Lycia.
6 And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy; and he put us
therein.
7 And when we had sailed slowly many days, and scarce were come over against Cnidus,
the wind not suffering us, we sailed under Crete, over against Salmone;

8 And, hardly passing it, came unto a place which is called The fair havens; nigh
whereunto was the city *of* Lasea.
9 Now when much time was spent, and when sailing was now dangerous, because the
fast was now already past, Paul admonished *them*,
10 And said unto them, Sirs, I perceive that this voyage will be with hurt and much
damage, not only of the lading and ship, but also of our lives.
11 Nevertheless the centurion believed the master and the owner of the ship, more than
those things which were spoken by Paul.
12 And because the haven was not commodious to winter in, the more part advised to
depart thence also, if by any means they might attain to Phenice, *and there* to winter; *which
is* an haven of Crete, and lieth toward the south west and north west.
13 And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained *their* purpose,
loosing *thence*, they sailed close by Crete.
14 But not long after there arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon.
15 And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, we let *her* drive.
16 And running under a certain island which is called Clauda, we had much work to come
by the boat:
17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and, fearing
lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.
18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next *day* they lightened the ship;
19 And the third *day* we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.
20 And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on
us, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.
21 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should
have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm
and loss.
22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of *any man's* life
among you, but of the ship.
23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,
24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Cæsar: and, lo, God hath given thee
all them that sail with thee.
25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told
me.
26 Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island.
27 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria,
about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country;
28 And sounded, and found *it* twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further,
they sounded again, and found *it* fifteen fathoms.
29 Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the
stern, and wished for the day.
30 And as the shipmen were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat
into the sea, under colour as though they would have cast anchors out of the foreship,
31 Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot
be saved.
32 Then the soldiers cut off the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off.
33 And while the day was coming on, Paul besought *them* all to take meat, saying, This day
is the fourteenth day that ye have tarried and continued fasting, having taken nothing.
34 Wherefore I pray you to take *some* meat: for this is for your health: for there shall not
an hair fall from the head of any of you.
35 And when he had thus spoken, he took bread, and gave thanks to God in presence of
them all: and when he had broken *it*, he began to eat.
36 Then were they all of good cheer, and they also took *some* meat.
37 And we were in all in the ship two hundred threescore and sixteen souls.
38 And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into
the sea.
39 And when it was day, they knew not the land: but they discovered a certain creek with
a shore, into the which they were minded, if it were possible, to thrust in the ship.
40 And when they had taken up the anchors, they committed *themselves* unto the sea, and
loosed the rudder bands, and hoised up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.
41 And falling into a place where two seas met, they ran the ship aground; and the
forepart stuck fast, and remained unmoveable, but the hinder part was broken with the
violence of the waves.

42 And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out,
and escape.
43 But the centurion, willing to save Paul, kept them from *their* purpose; and commanded
that they which could swim should cast *themselves* first *into the sea*, and get to land:
44 And the rest, some on boards, and some on *broken pieces* of the ship. And so it came to
pass, that they escaped all safe to land.

28

1 And when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita.
2 And the barbarous people shewed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and
received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.
3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid *them* on the fire, there came a
viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.
4 And when the barbarians saw the *venomous* beast hang on his hand, they said among
themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet
vengeance suffereth not to live.
5 And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm.
6 Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but
after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their
minds, and said that he was a god.
7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was
Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.
8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to
whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.
9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were
healed:
10 Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded *us* with
such things as were necessary.
11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in
the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.
12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried *there* three days.
13 And from thence we fetched a compass, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the
south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:
14 Where we found brethren, and were desired to tarry with them seven days: and so we
went toward Rome.
15 And from thence, when the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii
forum, and The three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage.
16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of
the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.
17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together:
and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men *and* brethren, though I have
committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered
prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.
18 Who, when they had examined me, would have let *me* go, because there was no cause
of death in me.
19 But when the Jews spake against *it*, I was constrained to appeal unto Cæsar; not that I
had ought to accuse my nation of.
20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see *you*, and to speak with *you*: because
that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.
21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judæa concerning thee,
neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.
22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know
that every where it is spoken against.
23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into *his* lodging; to
whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus,
both out of the law of Moses, and *out of* the prophets, from morning till evening.
24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.
25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had
spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,
26 Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand;
and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:

27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their
eyes have they closed; lest they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and
understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.
28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and
that they will hear it.
29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among
themselves.
30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in
unto him,
31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus
Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE ROMANS

1 Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,
2 (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,)
3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;
4 And declared *to be* the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:
5 By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:
6 Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:
7 To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called *to be* saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.
8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.
9 For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers;
10 Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you.
11 For I long to see you, that I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end ye may be established;
12 That is, that I may be comforted together with you by the mutual faith both of you and me.
13 Now I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you, (but was let hitherto,) that I might have some fruit among you also, even as among other Gentiles.
14 I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.
15 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.
16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.
18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;
19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed *it* unto them.
20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:
21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.
22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,
23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.
24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:
25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.
26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:
27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.
28 And even as they did not like to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;
29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,
30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:
32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

2

1 Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.
2 But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.
3 And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?
4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?
5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;
6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:
7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:
8 But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,
9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile;
10 But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile:
11 For there is no respect of persons with God.
12 For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;
13 (For not the hearers of the law *are* just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.
14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves:
15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)
16 In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.
17 Behold, thou art called a Jew, and restest in the law, and makest thy boast of God,
18 And knowest *his* will, and approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law;
19 And art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness,
20 An instructor of the foolish, a teacher of babes, which hast the form of knowledge and of the truth in the law.
21 Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?
22 Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?
23 Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God?
24 For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written.
25 For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision.
26 Therefore if the uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the law, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision?
27 And shall not uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfil the law, judge thee, who by the letter and circumcision dost transgress the law?
28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither *is that* circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:
29 But he *is* a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the spirit, *and* not in the letter; whose praise *is* not of men, but of God.

3

1 What advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit *is there* of circumcision?
2 Much every way: chiefly, because that unto them were committed the oracles of God.
3 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?
4 God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.
5 But if our unrighteousness commend the righteousness of God, what shall we say? *Is* God unrighteous who taketh vengeance? (I speak as a man)
6 God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world?
7 For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner?
8 And not *rather*, (as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say,) Let us do evil, that good may come? whose damnation is just.
9 What then? are we better *than they*? No, in no wise: for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin;
10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:
11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.
12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.
13 Their throat *is* an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps *is* under their lips:
14 Whose mouth *is* full of cursing and bitterness:
15 Their feet *are* swift to shed blood:
16 Destruction and misery *are* in their ways:
17 And the way of peace have they not known:
18 There is no fear of God before their eyes.
19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.
20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.
21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;
22 Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:
23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:
25 Whom God hath set forth *to be* a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;
26 To declare, *I say*, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.
27 Where *is* boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.
28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.
29 *Is he* the God of the Jews only? *is he* not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:
30 Seeing *it is* one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith.
31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law.

4

1 What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found?
2 For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath *whereof* to glory; but not before God.
3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.
4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.
5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.
6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works,
7 *Saying*, Blessed *are* they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.
8 Blessed *is* the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

9 *Cometh* this blessedness then upon the circumcision *only*, or upon the uncircumcision
also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness.
10 How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not
in circumcision, but in uncircumcision.
11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which
he had yet being uncircumcised: that he might be the father of all them that believe, though
they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also:
12 And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but
who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which *he had* being *yet*
uncircumcised.
13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, *was* not to Abraham, or to his
seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.
14 For if they which are of the law *be* heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of
none effect:
15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, *there is* no transgression.
16 Therefore *it is* of faith, that *it might be* by grace; to the end the promise might be sure
to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of
Abraham; who is the father of us all,
17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he
believed, *even* God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as
though they were.
18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations;
according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.
19 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was
about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb:
20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving
glory to God;
21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.
22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.
23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him;
24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus
our Lord from the dead;
25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

5

1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus
Christ:
2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in
hope of the glory of God.
3 And not only *so*, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh
patience;
4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:
5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts
by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.
6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.
7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some
would even dare to die.
8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died
for us.
9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath
through him.
10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much
more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.
11 And not only *so*, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we
have now received the atonement.
12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death
passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:
13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.
14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned
after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

15 But not as the offence, so also *is* the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be
dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is* by one man, Jesus Christ,
hath abounded unto many.
16 And not as *it was* by one that sinned, *so is* the gift: for the judgment *was* by one to
condemnation, but the free gift *is* of many offences unto justification.
17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive
abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)
18 Therefore as by the offence of one *judgment came* upon all men to condemnation; even
so by the righteousness of one *the free gift came* upon all men unto justification of life.
19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one
shall many be made righteous.
20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded,
grace did much more abound:
21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness
unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

6

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?
2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?
3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into
his death?
4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised
up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.
5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also *in the*
likeness of *his* resurrection:
6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be
destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.
7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.
8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:
9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more
dominion over him.
10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.
11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts
thereof.
13 Neither yield ye your members *as* instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but
yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members *as*
instruments of righteousness unto God.
14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.
15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God
forbid.
16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to
whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?
17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart
that form of doctrine which was delivered you.
18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.
19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have
yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now
yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.
20 For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness.
21 What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of
those things *is* death.
22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit
unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.
23 For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

7

1 Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath
dominion over a man as long as he liveth?

2 For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to *her* husband so long as
he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of *her* husband.
3 So then if, while *her* husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called
an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no
adulteress, though she be married to another man.
4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that
ye should be married to another, *even* to him who is raised from the dead, that we should
bring forth fruit unto God.
5 For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in
our members to bring forth fruit unto death.
6 But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held; that we
should serve in newness of spirit, and not *in* the oldness of the letter.
7 What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by
the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet.
8 But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupis-
cence. For without the law sin *was* dead.
9 For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived,
and I died.
10 And the commandment, which *was ordained* to life, I found *to be* unto death.
11 For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew *me*.
12 Wherefore the law *is* holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.
13 Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might
appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might
become exceeding sinful.
14 For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.
15 For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do
I.
16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that *it is* good.
17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present
with me; but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.
19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.
20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.
22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:
23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and
bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.
24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the
law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

8

1 *There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk
not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and
death.
3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his
own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh,
but after the Spirit.
5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after
the Spirit the things of the Spirit.
6 For to be carnally minded *is* death; but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.
7 Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God,
neither indeed can be.
8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.
Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.
10 And if Christ *be* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin; but the Spirit *is* life because of
righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised
up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth
in you.
12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.
13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the
deeds of the body, ye shall live.
14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.
15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the
Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.
16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:
17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we
suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together.
18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with
the glory which shall be revealed in us.
19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons
of God.
20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who
hath subjected *the same* in hope,
21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into
the glorious liberty of the children of God.
22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until
now.
23 And not only *they*, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we
ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, *to wit*, the redemption of our
body.
24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why
doth he yet hope for?
25 But if we hope for that we see not, *then* do we with patience wait for *it*.
26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should
pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which
cannot be uttered.
27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the mind of the Spirit, because he
maketh intercession for the saints according to *the will of* God.
28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who
are the called according to *his* purpose.
29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate *to be* conformed to the image of
his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.
30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them
he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.
31 What shall we then say to these things? If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us?
32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with
him also freely give us all things?
33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth.
34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who
is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.
35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or
persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep
for the slaughter.
37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor
powers, nor things present, nor things to come,
39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the
love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

9

1 I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy
Ghost,
2 That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.
3 For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen
according to the flesh:

4 Who are Israelites; to whom *pertaineth* the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants,
and the giving of the law, and the service *of God*, and the promises;
5 Whose *are* the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ *came*, who is over
all, God blessed for ever. Amen.
6 Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they *are* not all Israel, which
are of Israel:
7 Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, *are they* all children: but, In Isaac shall
thy seed be called.
8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these *are* not the children of God: but
the children of the promise are counted for the seed.
9 For this *is* the word of promise, At this time will I come, and Sara shall have a son.
10 And not only *this*; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, *even* by our father
Isaac;
11 (For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the
purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)
12 It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger.
13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.
14 What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid.
15 For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have
compassion on whom I will have compassion.
16 So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth
mercy.
17 For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up,
that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all
the earth.
18 Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will *have mercy*, and whom he will he hardeneth.
19 Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?
20 Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to
him that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus?
21 Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto
honour, and another unto dishonour?
22 *What* if God, willing to shew *his* wrath, and to make his power known, endured with
much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:
23 And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which
he had afore prepared unto glory,
24 Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?
25 As he saith also in Osee, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her
beloved, which was not beloved.
26 And it shall come to pass, *that* in the place where it was said unto them, Ye *are* not my
people; there shall they be called the children of the living God.
27 Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as
the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved:
28 For he will finish the work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: because a short work will
the Lord make upon the earth.
29 And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been
as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha.
30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness,
have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith.
31 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law
of righteousness.
32 Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law.
For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;
33 As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and
whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

10

1 Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.
2 For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.
3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own
righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.
4 For Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

5 For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth
those things shall live by them.
6 But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart,
Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down *from above*:)
7 Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)
8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, *even* in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the
word of faith, which we preach;
9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart
that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession
is made unto salvation.
11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.
12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all
is rich unto all that call upon him.
13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.
14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they
believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?
15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the
feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!
16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our
report?
17 So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their
words unto the ends of the world.
19 But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by *them
that are* no people, *and* by a foolish nation I will anger you.
20 But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made
manifest unto them that asked not after me.
21 But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient
and gainsaying people.

11

1 I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the
seed of Abraham, *of* the tribe of Benjamin.
2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture
saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,
3 Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone,
and they seek my life.
4 But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand
men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of* Baal.
5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of
grace.
6 And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it
be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.
7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath
obtained it, and the rest were blinded
8 (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they
should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.
9 And David saith, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock, and
a recompence unto them:
10 Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway.
11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but *rather* through
their fall salvation *is come* unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.
12 Now if the fall of them *be* the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the
riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fulness?
13 For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify
mine office:
14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation *them which are* my flesh, and might save
some of them.
15 For if the casting away of them *be* the reconciling of the world, what *shall* the receiving
of them be, but life from the dead?

16 For if the firstfruit *be* holy, the lump *is* also *holy*: and if the root *be* holy, so *are* the
branches.
17 And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert
graffed in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;
18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the
root thee.
19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be graffed in.
20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not
highminded, but fear:
21 For if God spared not the natural branches, *take heed* lest he also spare not thee.
22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but
toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut
off.
23 And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in: for God is able to
graff them in again.
24 For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert graffed
contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural
branches, be graffed into their own olive tree?
25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be
wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of
the Gentiles be come in.
26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the
Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:
27 For this *is* my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.
28 As concerning the gospel, *they are* enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election,
they are beloved for the fathers' sakes.
29 For the gifts and calling of God *are* without repentance.
30 For as ye in times past have not believed God, yet have now obtained mercy through
their unbelief:
31 Even so have these also now not believed, that through your mercy they also may
obtain mercy.
32 For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.
33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable
are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!
34 For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor?
35 Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?
36 For of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: to whom *be* glory for ever.
Amen.

12

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a
living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your
mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think
of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath
dealt to every man the measure of faith.
4 For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:
5 So we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.
6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy,
let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;
7 Or ministry, *let us wait* on *our* ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;
8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, *let him do it* with simplicity; he that
ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.
9 *Let* love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.
10 *Be* kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one
another;
11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;
12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;
13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.
14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.
15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

16 *Be* of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men
of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.
17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.
18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.
19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is
written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.
20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing
thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.
21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

13

1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the
powers that be are ordained of God.
2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that
resist shall receive to themselves damnation.
3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of
the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:
4 For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid;
for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to *execute*
wrath upon him that doeth evil.
5 Wherefore *ye* must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake.
6 For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually
upon this very thing.
7 Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute *is due*; custom to whom
custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.
8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled
the law.
9 For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou
shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if *there be* any other commandment,
it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love *is* the fulfilling of the law.
11 And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now *is*
our salvation nearer than when we believed.
12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness,
and let us put on the armour of light.
13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering
and wantonness, not in strife and envying.
14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to *fulfil* the
lusts *thereof.*

14

1 Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, *but* not to doubtful disputations.
2 For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs.
3 Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not
judge him that eateth: for God hath received him.
4 Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or
falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand.
5 One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day *alike*. Let
every man be fully persuaded in his own mind.
6 He that regardeth the day, regardeth *it* unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the
day, to the Lord he doth not regard *it*. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God
thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks.
7 For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself.
8 For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord:
whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.
9 For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of
the dead and living.
10 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for
we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.
11 For it is written, *As* I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue
shall confess to God.
12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

13 Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man
put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in *his* brother's way.
14 I know, and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, that *there is* nothing unclean of itself: but
to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him *it is* unclean.
15 But if thy brother be grieved with *thy* meat, now walkest thou not charitably. Destroy
not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died.
16 Let not then your good be evil spoken of:
17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy
in the Holy Ghost.
18 For he that in these things serveth Christ *is* acceptable to God, and approved of men.
19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith
one may edify another.
20 For meat destroy not the work of God. All things indeed *are* pure; but *it is* evil for that
man who eateth with offence.
21 *It is* good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor *any thing* whereby thy brother
stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak.
22 Hast thou faith? have *it* to thyself before God. Happy *is* he that condemneth not himself
in that thing which he alloweth.
23 And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because *he eateth* not of faith: for whatsoever
is not of faith is sin.

15

1 We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please
ourselves.
2 Let every one of us please *his* neighbour for *his* good to edification.
3 For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that
reproached thee fell on me.
4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we
through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.
5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward
another according to Christ Jesus:
6 That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ.
7 Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.
8 Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to
confirm the promises *made* unto the fathers:
9 And that the Gentiles might glorify God for *his* mercy; as it is written, For this cause I
will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy name.
10 And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people.
11 And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.
12 And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign
over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.
13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound
in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.
14 And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness,
filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.
15 Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as
putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God,
16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of
God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy
Ghost.
17 I have therefore whereof I may glory through Jesus Christ in those things which
pertain to God.
18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me,
to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed,
19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from
Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.
20 Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should
build upon another man's foundation:
21 But as it is written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have
not heard shall understand.
22 For which cause also I have been much hindered from coming to you.

23 But now having no more place in these parts, and having a great desire these many
years to come unto you;
24 Whensoever I take my journey into Spain, I will come to you: for I trust to see you in
my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, if first I be somewhat filled
with your *company*.
25 But now I go unto Jerusalem to minister unto the saints.
26 For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for
the poor saints which are at Jerusalem.
27 It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been
made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal
things.
28 When therefore I have performed this, and have sealed to them this fruit, I will come
by you into Spain.
29 And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of
the gospel of Christ.
30 Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the
Spirit, that ye strive together with me in *your* prayers to God for me;
31 That I may be delivered from them that do not believe in Judaea; and that my service
which *I have* for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints;
32 That I may come unto you with joy by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed.
33 Now the God of peace *be* with you all. Amen.

16

1 I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at
Cenchrea:
2 That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever
business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also.
3 Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus:
4 Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but
also all the churches of the Gentiles.
5 Likewise *greet* the church that is in their house. Salute my wellbeloved Epaenetus, who
is the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ.
6 Greet Mary, who bestowed much labour on us.
7 Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellowprisoners, who are of note
among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me.
8 Greet Amplias my beloved in the Lord.
9 Salute Urbane, our helper in Christ, and Stachys my beloved.
10 Salute Apelles approved in Christ. Salute them which are of Aristobulus' *household*.
11 Salute Herodion my kinsman. Greet them that be of the *household* of Narcissus, which
are in the Lord.
12 Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis,
which laboured much in the Lord.
13 Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.
14 Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brethren which are
with them.
15 Salute Philologus, and Julia, Nereus, and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints
which are with them.
16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.
17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary
to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.
18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good
words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.
19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all *men*. I am glad therefore on your behalf:
but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.
20 And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord
Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.
21 Timotheus my workfellow, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my kinsmen, salute
you.
22 I Tertius, who wrote *this* epistle, salute you in the Lord.
23 Gaius mine host, and of the whole church, saluteth you. Erastus the chamberlain of
the city saluteth you, and Quartus a brother.
24 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

25 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching
of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the
world began,
26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the
commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of
faith:
27 To God only wise, *be* glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

Written to the Romans from Corinthus, and sent by Phebe servant of the church at Cenchrea.

THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS

1 Paul, called *to be* an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes *our*
brother,
2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus,
called *to be* saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord,
both theirs and ours:
3 Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus
Christ;
5 That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and *in* all knowledge;
6 Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:
7 So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:
8 Who shall also confirm you unto the end, *that ye may be* blameless in the day of our
Lord Jesus Christ.
9 God *is* faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our
Lord.
10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak
the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined
together in the same mind and in the same judgment.
11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them *which are of the house*
of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.
12 Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas;
and I of Christ.
13 Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?
14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;
15 Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.
16 And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized
any other.
17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words,
lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.
18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are
saved it is the power of God.
19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the
understanding of the prudent.
20 Where *is* the wise? where *is* the scribe? where *is* the disputer of this world? hath not
God made foolish the wisdom of this world?
21 For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God
by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.
22 For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:
23 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks
foolishness;
24 But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and
the wisdom of God.
25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger
than men.
26 For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many
mighty, not many noble, *are called*:
27 But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath
chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;
28 And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, *yea*,
and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:
29 That no flesh should glory in his presence.
30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteous-
ness, and sanctification, and redemption:
31 That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.

2

1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom,
declaring unto you the testimony of God.
2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.
3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.
4 And my speech and my preaching *was* not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but
in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:
5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.
6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this
world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:
7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, *even* the hidden *wisdom*, which God
ordained before the world unto our glory:
8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known *it*, they would not
have crucified the Lord of glory.
9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart
of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
10 But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things,
yea, the deep things of God.
11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him?
even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.
12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that
we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.
13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which
the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.
14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are
foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.
15 But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.
16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the
mind of Christ.

3

1 And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, *even* as
unto babes in Christ.
2 I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able *to bear it*,
neither yet now are ye able.
3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and divisions,
are ye not carnal, and walk as men?
4 For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I *am* of Apollos; are ye not carnal?
5 Who then is Paul, and who *is* Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the
Lord gave to every man?
6 I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.
7 So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that
giveth the increase.
8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his
own reward according to his own labour.
9 For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, *ye are* God's building.
10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have
laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he
buildeth thereupon.
11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay,
stubble;
13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall
be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.
14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.
15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved;
yet so as by fire.
16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?
17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is
holy, which *temple* ye are.
18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world,
let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the
wise in their own craftiness.
20 And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.
21 Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours;
22 Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present,
or things to come; all are yours;
23 And ye are Christ's; and Christ *is* God's.

4

1 Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries
of God.
2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.
3 But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment:
yea, I judge not mine own self.
4 For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is
the Lord.
5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to
light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and
then shall every man have praise of God.
6 And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and *to* Apollos for
your sakes; that ye might learn in us not to think *of men* above that which is written, that
no one of you be puffed up for one against another.
7 For who maketh thee to differ *from another*? and what hast thou that thou didst not
receive? now if thou didst receive *it*, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received *it*?
8 Now ye are full, now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to
God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you.
9 For I think that God hath set forth us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for
we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.
10 We *are* fools for Christ's sake, but ye *are* wise in Christ; we *are* weak, but ye *are* strong;
ye *are* honourable, but we *are* despised.
11 Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are
buffeted, and have no certain dwellingplace;
12 And labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted,
we suffer it:
13 Being defamed, we intreat: we are made as the filth of the world, *and are* the
offscouring of all things unto this day.
14 I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn *you*.
15 For though ye have ten thousand instructers in Christ, yet *have ye* not many fathers:
for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.
16 Wherefore I beseech you, be ye followers of me.
17 For this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in
the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach
every where in every church.
18 Now some are puffed up, as though I would not come to you.
19 But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will, and will know, not the speech of them
which are puffed up, but the power.
20 For the kingdom of God *is* not in word, but in power.
21 What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and *in* the spirit of meekness?

5

1 It is reported commonly *that there is* fornication among you, and such fornication as is
not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife.
2 And ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned, that he that hath done this deed
might be taken away from among you.
3 For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have judged already, as though I
were present, *concerning* him that hath so done this deed,
4 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with
the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,
5 To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be
saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.
6 Your glorying *is* not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened.
For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:
8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice
and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.
9 I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators:
10 Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortion-
ers, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.
11 But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a
brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an
extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.
12 For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that
are within?
13 But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves
that wicked person.

6

1 Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not
before the saints?
2 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged
by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?
3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?
4 If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are
least esteemed in the church.
5 I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that
shall be able to judge between his brethren?
6 But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.
7 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another.
Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather *suffer yourselves to* be defrauded?
8 Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that *your* brethren.
9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not
deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers
of themselves with mankind,
10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit
the kingdom of God.
11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are
justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.
12 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for
me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.
13 Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them.
Now the body *is* not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.
14 And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.
15 Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members
of Christ, and make *them* the members of an harlot? God forbid.
16 What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he,
shall be one flesh.
17 But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.
18 Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that
committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.
19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you,
which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit,
which are God's.

7

1 Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: *It is* good for a man not to touch
a woman.
2 Nevertheless, *to avoid* fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every
woman have her own husband.
3 Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto
the husband.
4 The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the
husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife.

5 Defraud ye not one the other, except *it be* with consent for a time, that ye may give
yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for
your incontinency.
6 But I speak this by permission, *and* not of commandment.
7 For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of
God, one after this manner, and another after that.
8 I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I.
9 But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn.
10 And unto the married I command, *yet* not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from
her husband:
11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to *her* husband: and
let not the husband put away *his* wife.
12 But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and
she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.
13 And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to
dwell with her, let her not leave him.
14 For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is
sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.
15 But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage
in such *cases*: but God hath called us to peace.
16 For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save *thy* husband? or how knowest
thou, O man, whether thou shalt save *thy* wife?
17 But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him
walk. And so ordain I in all churches.
18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called
in uncircumcision? let him not be circumcised.
19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the
commandments of God.
20 Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.
21 Art thou called *being* a servant? care not for it: but if thou mayest be made free, use *it*
rather.
22 For he that is called in the Lord, *being* a servant, is the Lord's freeman: likewise also
he that is called, *being* free, is Christ's servant.
23 Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.
24 Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.
25 Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgment,
as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.
26 I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress, *I say*, that *it is* good for a
man so to be.
27 Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek
not a wife.
28 But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned.
Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.
29 But this I say, brethren, the time *is* short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives
be as though they had none;
30 And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they
rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;
31 And they that use this world, as not abusing *it*: for the fashion of this world passeth
away.
32 But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things
that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord:
33 But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please
his wife.
34 There is difference *also* between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth
for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is
married careth for the things of the world, how she may please *her* husband.
35 And this I speak for your own profit; not that I may cast a snare upon you, but for that
which is comely, and that ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction.
36 But if any man think that he behaveth himself uncomely toward his virgin, if she pass
the flower of *her* age, and need so require, let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them
marry.

37 Nevertheless he that standeth stedfast in his heart, having no necessity, but hath power
over his own will, and hath so decreed in his heart that he will keep his virgin, doeth well.
38 So then he that giveth *her* in marriage doeth well; but he that giveth *her* not in marriage
doeth better.
39 The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead,
she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.
40 But she is happier if she so abide, after my judgment: and I think also that I have the
Spirit of God.

8

1 Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge.
Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.
2 And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought
to know.
3 But if any man love God, the same is known of him.
4 As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto
idols, we know that an idol *is* nothing in the world, and that *there is* none other God but
one.
5 For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be
gods many, and lords many,)
6 But to us *there is but* one God, the Father, of whom *are* all things, and we in him; and one
Lord Jesus Christ, by whom *are* all things, and we by him.
7 Howbeit *there is* not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol
unto this hour eat *it* as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is
defiled.
8 But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, are we the better; neither, if
we eat not, are we the worse.
9 But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them
that are weak.
10 For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not
the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered
to idols;
11 And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?
12 But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin
against Christ.
13 Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world
standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

9

1 Am I not an apostle? am I not free? have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? are not ye
my work in the Lord?
2 If I be not an apostle unto others, yet doubtless I am to you: for the seal of mine
apostleship are ye in the Lord.
3 Mine answer to them that do examine me is this,
4 Have we not power to eat and to drink?
5 Have we not power to lead about a sister, a wife, as well as other apostles, and *as* the
brethren of the Lord, and Cephas?
6 Or I only and Barnabas, have not we power to forbear working?
7 Who goeth a warfare any time at his own charges? who planteth a vineyard, and eateth
not of the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock?
8 Say I these things as a man? or saith not the law the same also?
9 For it is written in the law of Moses, Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that
treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?
10 Or saith he *it* altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, *this* is written: that he
that ploweth should plow in hope; and that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker
of his hope.
11 If we have sown unto you spiritual things, *is it* a great thing if we shall reap your carnal
things?
12 If others be partakers of *this* power over you, *are* not we rather? Nevertheless we have
not used this power; but suffer all things, lest we should hinder the gospel of Christ.
13 Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live *of the things* of the
temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?

14 Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel.
15 But I have used none of these things: neither have I written these things, that it should be so done unto me: for *it were* better for me to die, than that any man should make my glorying void.
16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!
17 For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation *of the gospel* is committed unto me.
18 What is my reward then? *Verily* that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.
19 For though I be free from all *men*, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more.
20 And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;
21 To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.
22 To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some.
23 And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with *you*.
24 Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.
25 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.
26 I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:
27 But I keep under my body, and bring *it* into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

10

1 Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea;
2 And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;
3 And did all eat the same spiritual meat;
4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.
5 But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.
6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.
7 Neither be ye idolaters, as *were* some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.
8 Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.
9 Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.
10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.
11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.
12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.
13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.
14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.
15 I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say.
16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?
17 For we *being* many are one bread, *and* one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.
18 Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?

19 What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols
is any thing?
20 But I *say*, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not
to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils.
21 Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of
the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.
22 Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he?
23 All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for
me, but all things edify not.
24 Let no man seek his own, but every man another's *wealth*.
25 Whatsoever is sold in the shambles, *that* eat, asking no question for conscience sake:
26 For the earth *is* the Lord's, and the fulness thereof.
27 If any of them that believe not bid you *to a feast*, and ye be disposed to go; whatsoever
is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience sake.
28 But if any man say unto you, This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his sake
that shewed it, and for conscience sake: for the earth *is* the Lord's, and the fulness thereof:
29 Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of
another *man's* conscience?
30 For if I by grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?
31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.
32 Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God:
33 Even as I please all *men* in all *things*, not seeking mine own profit, but the *profit* of
many, that they may be saved.

11

1 Be ye followers of me, even as I also *am* of Christ.
2 Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances,
as I delivered *them* to you.
3 But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the
woman *is* the man; and the head of Christ *is* God.
4 Every man praying or prophesying, having *his* head covered, dishonoureth his head.
5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with *her* head uncovered dishonoureth
her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.
6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman
to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.
7 For a man indeed ought not to cover *his* head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory
of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.
8 For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.
9 Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.
10 For this cause ought the woman to have power on *her* head because of the angels.
11 Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the
man, in the Lord.
12 For as the woman *is* of the man, even so *is* the man also by the woman; but all things
of God.
13 Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?
14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto
him?
15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for *her* hair is given her for a covering.
16 But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches
of God.
17 Now in this that I declare *unto you* I praise *you* not, that ye come together not for the
better, but for the worse.
18 For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions
among you; and I partly believe it.
19 For there must be also heresies among you, that they which are approved may be made
manifest among you.
20 When ye come together therefore into one place, *this* is not to eat the Lord's supper.
21 For in eating every one taketh before *other* his own supper: and one is hungry, and
another is drunken.
22 What? have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and
shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise *you*
not.

23 For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord
Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread:
24 And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, **Take, eat: this is my body,
which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.**
25 After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, **This cup is
the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of
me.**
26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he
come.
27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, unworthily,
shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.
28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup.
29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself,
not discerning the Lord's body.
30 For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.
31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.
32 But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be
condemned with the world.
33 Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another.
34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto
condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

12

1 Now concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.
2 Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were
led.
3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth
Jesus accursed: and *that* no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.
4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.
5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.
6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.
7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.
8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge
by the same Spirit;
9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;
10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of
spirits; to another *divers* kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:
11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally
as he will.
12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body,
being many, are one body: so also *is* Christ.
13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether *we be* Jews or Gentiles,
whether *we be* bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.
14 For the body is not one member, but many.
15 If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not
of the body?
16 And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore
not of the body?
17 If the whole body *were* an eye, where *were* the hearing? If the whole *were* hearing,
where *were* the smelling?
18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased
him.
19 And if they were all one member, where *were* the body?
20 But now *are they* many members, yet but one body.
21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to
the feet, I have no need of you.
22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are
necessary:
23 And those *members* of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we
bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely *parts* have more abundant comeliness.
24 For our comely *parts* have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having
given more abundant honour to that *part* which lacked:

25 That there should be no schism in the body; but *that* the members should have the
same care one for another.
26 And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be
honoured, all the members rejoice with it.
27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.
28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly
teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of
tongues.
29 *Are* all apostles? *are* all prophets? *are* all teachers? *are* all workers of miracles?
30 Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?
31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

13

1 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am
become *as* sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.
2 And though I have *the gift of* prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowl-
edge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity,
I am nothing.
3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed *the poor*, and though I give my body to be
burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.
4 Charity suffereth long, *and* is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is
not puffed up,
5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh
no evil;
6 Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;
7 Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.
8 Charity never faileth: but whether *there be* prophecies, they shall fail; whether *there be*
tongues, they shall cease; whether *there be* knowledge, it shall vanish away.
9 For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.
10 But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.
11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but
when I became a man, I put away childish things.
12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but
then shall I know even as also I am known.
13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these *is* charity.

14

1 Follow after charity, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but rather that ye may prophesy.
2 For he that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for
no man understandeth *him*; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.
3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men *to* edification, and exhortation, and
comfort.
4 He that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth
edifieth the church.
5 I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied: for greater *is* he
that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church
may receive edifying.
6 Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you,
except I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or
by doctrine?
7 And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a
distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped?
8 For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?
9 So likewise ye, except ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it
be known what is spoken? for ye shall speak into the air.
10 There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them *is* without
signification.
11 Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a
barbarian, and he that speaketh *shall be* a barbarian unto me.
12 Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual *gifts*, seek that ye may excel to the
edifying of the church.
13 Wherefore let him that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue pray that he may interpret.

14 For if I pray in an *unknown* tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is
unfruitful.
15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also:
I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.
16 Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of
the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou
sayest?
17 For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.
18 I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:
19 Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that *by my*
voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an *unknown* tongue.
20 Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in
understanding be men.
21 In the law it is written, With *men of* other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this
people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord.
22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe
not: but prophesying *serveth* not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.
23 If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with
tongues, and there come in *those that are* unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that
ye are mad?
24 But if all prophesy, and there come in one that believeth not, or *one* unlearned, he is
convinced of all, he is judged of all:
25 And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on *his* face he
will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.
26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath
a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done
unto edifying.
27 If any man speak in an *unknown* tongue, *let it be* by two, or at the most *by* three, and
that by course; and let one interpret.
28 But if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; and let him speak to
himself, and to God.
29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.
30 If *any thing* be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.
31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.
32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.
33 For God is not *the author* of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.
34 Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to
speak; but *they are commanded* to be under obedience, as also saith the law.
35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame
for women to speak in the church.
36 What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?
37 If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the
things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.
38 But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.
39 Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.
40 Let all things be done decently and in order.

15

1 Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which
also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;
2 By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye
have believed in vain.
3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for
our sins according to the scriptures;
4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:
5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:
6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater
part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.
7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.
8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.
9 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I
persecuted the church of God.

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me
was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of
God which was with me.
11 Therefore whether *it were* I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.
12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that
there is no resurrection of the dead?
13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:
14 And if Christ be not risen, then *is* our preaching vain, and your faith *is* also vain.
15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he
raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.
16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:
17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins.
18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.
19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept.
21 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.
22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.
23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's
at his coming.
24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the
Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.
25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.
26 The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.
27 For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under
him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.
28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be
subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.
29 Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why
are they then baptized for the dead?
30 And why stand we in jeopardy every hour?
31 I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.
32 If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it
me, if the dead rise not? let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die.
33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.
34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak
this to your shame.
35 But some *man* will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?
36 *Thou* fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:
37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it
may chance of wheat, or of some other *grain*:
38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.
39 All flesh *is* not the same flesh: but *there is* one *kind of* flesh of men, another flesh of
beasts, another of fishes, *and* another of birds.
40 *There are* also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial *is*
one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another.
41 *There is* one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the
stars: for *one* star differeth from *another* star in glory.
42 So also *is* the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in
incorruption:
43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:
44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there
is a spiritual body.
45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam *was*
made a quickening spirit.
46 Howbeit that *was* not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward
that which is spiritual.
47 The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* the Lord from heaven.
48 As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they
also that are heavenly.
49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the
heavenly.

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God;
neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.
51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound,
and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortal-
ity.
54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put
on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed
up in victory.
55 O death, where *is* thy sting? O grave, where *is* thy victory?
56 The sting of death *is* sin; and the strength of sin *is* the law.
57 But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the
work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

16

1 Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of
Galatia, even so do ye.
2 Upon the first *day* of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as *God* hath
prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.
3 And when I come, whomsoever ye shall approve by *your* letters, them will I send to
bring your liberality unto Jerusalem.
4 And if it be meet that I go also, they shall go with me.
5 Now I will come unto you, when I shall pass through Macedonia: for I do pass through
Macedonia.
6 And it may be that I will abide, yea, and winter with you, that ye may bring me on my
journey whithersoever I go.
7 For I will not see you now by the way; but I trust to tarry a while with you, if the Lord
permit.
8 But I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost.
9 For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and *there are* many adversaries.
10 Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the
work of the Lord, as I also *do*.
11 Let no man therefore despise him: but conduct him forth in peace, that he may come
unto me: for I look for him with the brethren.
12 As touching *our* brother Apollos, I greatly desired him to come unto you with the
brethren: but his will was not at all to come at this time; but he will come when he shall
have convenient time.
13 Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.
14 Let all your things be done with charity.
15 I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of
Achaia, and *that* they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)
16 That ye submit yourselves unto such, and to every one that helpeth with *us*, and
laboureth.
17 I am glad of the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus: for that which was
lacking on your part they have supplied.
18 For they have refreshed my spirit and yours: therefore acknowledge ye them that are
such.
19 The churches of Asia salute you. Aquila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with
the church that is in their house.
20 All the brethren greet you. Greet ye one another with an holy kiss.
21 The salutation of *me* Paul with mine own hand.
22 If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maranatha.
23 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you.
24 My love *be* with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

The first epistle to the Corinthians was written from Philippi by Stephanas, and Fortunatus, and Achaicus, and Timotheus.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy *our* brother, unto the
church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia:
2 Grace *be* to you and peace from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 Blessed *be* God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the
God of all comfort;
4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which
are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.
5 For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.
6 And whether we be afflicted, *it is* for your consolation and salvation, which is effectual
in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted,
it is for your consolation and salvation.
7 And our hope of you *is* stedfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so
shall ye be also of the consolation.
8 For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia,
that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of
life:
9 But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves,
but in God which raiseth the dead:
10 Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he
will yet deliver *us*;
11 Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift *bestowed* upon us by the
means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.
12 For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly
sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation
in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.
13 For we write none other things unto you, than what ye read or acknowledge; and I
trust ye shall acknowledge even to the end;
14 As also ye have acknowledged us in part, that we are your rejoicing, even as ye also
are ours in the day of the Lord Jesus.
15 And in this confidence I was minded to come unto you before, that ye might have a
second benefit;
16 And to pass by you into Macedonia, and to come again out of Macedonia unto you, and
of you to be brought on my way toward Judaea.
17 When I therefore was thus minded, did I use lightness? or the things that I purpose,
do I purpose according to the flesh, that with me there should be yea yea, and nay nay?
18 But *as* God *is* true, our word toward you was not yea and nay.
19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, *even* by me and
Silvanus and Timotheus, was not yea and nay, but in him was yea.
20 For all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by
us.
21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, *is* God;
22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.
23 Moreover I call God for a record upon my soul, that to spare you I came not as yet unto
Corinth.
24 Not for that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy: for by faith
ye stand.

2

1 But I determined this with myself, that I would not come again to you in heaviness.
2 For if I make you sorry, who is he then that maketh me glad, but the same which is made
sorry by me?
3 And I wrote this same unto you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow from them of
whom I ought to rejoice; having confidence in you all, that my joy is *the joy* of you all.
4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; not
that ye should be grieved, but that ye might know the love which I have more abundantly
unto you.

5 But if any have caused grief, he hath not grieved me, but in part: that I may not
overcharge you all.
6 Sufficient to such a man *is* this punishment, which *was inflicted* of many.
7 So that contrariwise ye *ought* rather to forgive *him*, and comfort *him*, lest perhaps such
a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow.
8 Wherefore I beseech you that ye would confirm *your* love toward him.
9 For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be
obedient in all things.
10 To whom ye forgive any thing, I *forgive* also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I
forgave *it*, for your sakes *forgave I it* in the person of Christ;
11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.
12 Furthermore, when I came to Troas to *preach* Christ's gospel, and a door was opened
unto me of the Lord,
13 I had no rest in my spirit, because I found not Titus my brother: but taking my leave of
them, I went from thence into Macedonia.
14 Now thanks *be* unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh
manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.
15 For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that
perish:
16 To the one *we are* the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life
unto life. And who *is* sufficient for these things?
17 For we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of
God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ.

3

1 Do we begin again to commend ourselves? or need we, as some *others*, epistles of
commendation to you, or *letters* of commendation from you?
2 Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:
3 *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us,
written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in
fleshy tables of the heart.
4 And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward:
5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our
sufficiency *is* of God;
6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the
spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.
7 But if the ministration of death, written *and* engraven in stones, was glorious, so that
the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his
countenance; which *glory* was to be done away:
8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?
9 For if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth the ministration of
righteousness exceed in glory.
10 For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the
glory that excelleth.
11 For if that which is done away *was* glorious, much more that which remaineth *is*
glorious.
12 Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great plainness of speech:
13 And not as Moses, *which* put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not
stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished:
14 But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away
in the reading of the old testament; which *vail* is done away in Christ.
15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart.
16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.
17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty.
18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed
into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

4

1 Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not;
2 But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor
handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending
ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:
4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.
5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.
6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.
8 *We are* troubled on every side, yet not distressed; *we are* perplexed, but not in despair;
9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;
10 Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.
11 For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.
12 So then death worketh in us, but life in you.
13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;
14 Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present *us* with you.
15 For all things *are* for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.
16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward *man* is renewed day by day.
17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory;
18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen *are* temporal; but the things which are not seen *are* eternal.

5

1 For we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.
2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:
3 If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.
4 For we that are in *this* tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.
5 Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing *is* God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.
6 Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:
7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)
8 We are confident, *I say*, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.
9 Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.
10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things *done* in *his* body, according to that he hath done, whether *it be* good or bad.
11 Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.
12 For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to *answer* them which glory in appearance, and not in heart.
13 For whether we be beside ourselves, *it is* to God: or whether we be sober, *it is* for your cause.
14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:
15 And *that* he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.
16 Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we *him* no more.
17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath
given to us the ministry of reconciliation;
19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their
trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.
20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we
pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.
21 For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the
righteousness of God in him.

6

1 We then, *as* workers together *with him*, beseech *you* also that ye receive not the grace
of God in vain.
2 (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I
succoured thee: behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.)
3 Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:
4 But in all *things* approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in
afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,
5 In stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;
6 By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love
unfeigned,
7 By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right
hand and on the left,
8 By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and *yet* true;
9 As unknown, and *yet* well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not
killed;
10 As sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing,
and *yet* possessing all things.
11 O *ye* Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged.
12 Ye are not straitened in us, but ye are straitened in your own bowels.
13 Now for a recompence in the same, (I speak as unto *my* children,) be ye also enlarged.
14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath
righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?
15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an
infidel?
16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the
living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.
17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch
not the unclean *thing*; and I will receive you,
18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord
Almighty.

7

1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all
filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.
2 Receive us; we have wronged no man, we have corrupted no man, we have defrauded
no man.
3 I speak not *this* to condemn *you*: for I have said before, that ye are in our hearts to die
and live with *you*.
4 Great *is* my boldness of speech toward you, great *is* my glorying of you: I am filled with
comfort, I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation.
5 For, when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled
on every side; without *were* fightings, within *were* fears.
6 Nevertheless God, that comforteth those that are cast down, comforted us by the
coming of Titus;
7 And not by his coming only, but by the consolation wherewith he was comforted in you,
when he told us your earnest desire, your mourning, your fervent mind toward me; so that
I rejoiced the more.
8 For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I
perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though *it were* but for a season.
9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye
were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.

10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the
sorrow of the world worketh death.
11 For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it
wrought in you, yea, *what* clearing of yourselves, yea, *what* indignation, yea, *what* fear, yea,
what vehement desire, yea, *what* zeal, yea, *what* revenge! In all *things* ye have approved
yourselves to be clear in this matter.
12 Wherefore, though I wrote unto you, *I did it* not for his cause that had done the wrong,
nor for his cause that suffered wrong, but that our care for you in the sight of God might
appear unto you.
13 Therefore we were comforted in your comfort: yea, and exceedingly the more joyed
we for the joy of Titus, because his spirit was refreshed by you all.
14 For if I have boasted any thing to him of you, I am not ashamed; but as we spake all
things to you in truth, even so our boasting, which *I made* before Titus, is found a truth.
15 And his inward affection is more abundant toward you, whilst he remembereth the
obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling ye received him.
16 I rejoice therefore that I have confidence in you in all *things.*

8

1 Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of
Macedonia;
2 How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty
abounded unto the riches of their liberality.
3 For to *their* power, I bear record, yea, and beyond *their* power *they were* willing of
themselves;
4 Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and *take upon us* the
fellowship of the ministering to the saints.
5 And *this they did*, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto
us by the will of God.
6 Insomuch that we desired Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also finish in you
the same grace also.
7 Therefore, as ye abound in every *thing*, *in* faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and *in*
all diligence, and *in* your love to us, *see* that ye abound in this grace also.
8 I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to
prove the sincerity of your love.
9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your
sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.
10 And herein I give *my* advice: for this is expedient for you, who have begun before, not
only to do, but also to be forward a year ago.
11 Now therefore perform the doing *of it*; that as *there was* a readiness to will, so *there
may be* a performance also out of that which ye have.
12 For if there be first a willing mind, *it is* accepted according to that a man hath, *and* not
according to that he hath not.
13 For *I mean* not that other men be eased, and ye burdened:
14 But by an equality, *that* now at this time your abundance *may be a supply* for their want,
that their abundance also may be *a supply* for your want: that there may be equality:
15 As it is written, He that *had gathered* much had nothing over; and he that *had gathered*
little had no lack.
16 But thanks *be* to God, which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus for you.
17 For indeed he accepted the exhortation; but being more forward, of his own accord he
went unto you.
18 And we have sent with him the brother, whose praise *is* in the gospel throughout all
the churches;
19 And not *that* only, but who was also chosen of the churches to travel with us with this
grace, which is administered by us to the glory of the same Lord, and *declaration of* your
ready mind:
20 Avoiding this, that no man should blame us in this abundance which is administered
by us:
21 Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of
men.
22 And we have sent with them our brother, whom we have oftentimes proved diligent in
many things, but now much more diligent, upon the great confidence which *I have* in you.

23 Whether *any do enquire* of Titus, *he is* my partner and fellowhelper concerning you:
or our brethren *be enquired of, they are* the messengers of the churches, *and* the glory of
Christ.
24 Wherefore shew ye to them, and before the churches, the proof of your love, and of
our boasting on your behalf.

9

1 For as touching the ministering to the saints, it is superfluous for me to write to you:
2 For I know the forwardness of your mind, for which I boast of you to them of
Macedonia, that Achaia was ready a year ago; and your zeal hath provoked very many.
3 Yet have I sent the brethren, lest our boasting of you should be in vain in this behalf;
that, as I said, ye may be ready:
4 Lest haply if they of Macedonia come with me, and find you unprepared, we (that we
say not, ye) should be ashamed in this same confident boasting.
5 Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto
you, and make up beforehand your bounty, whereof ye had notice before, that the same
might be ready, as *a matter of* bounty, and not as *of* covetousness.
6 But this *I say*, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth
bountifully shall reap also bountifully.
7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of
necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.
8 And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all
sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:
9 (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness
remaineth for ever.
10 Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for *your* food, and
multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;)
11 Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanks-
giving to God.
12 For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is
abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God;
13 Whiles by the experiment of this ministration they glorify God for your professed
subjection unto the gospel of Christ, and for *your* liberal distribution unto them, and unto
all *men*;
14 And by their prayer for you, which long after you for the exceeding grace of God in
you.
15 Thanks *be* unto God for his unspeakable gift.

10

1 Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in
presence *am* base among you, but being absent am bold toward you:
2 But I beseech *you*, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence,
wherewith I think to be bold against some, which think of us as if we walked according
to the flesh.
3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
4 (For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling
down of strong holds;)
5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the
knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;
6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.
7 Do ye look on things after the outward appearance? If any man trust to himself that he
is Christ's, let him of himself think this again, that, as he *is* Christ's, even so *are* we Christ's.
8 For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given
us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed:
9 That I may not seem as if I would terrify you by letters.
10 For *his* letters, say they, *are* weighty and powerful; but *his* bodily presence *is* weak, and
his speech contemptible.
11 Let such an one think this, that, such as we are in word by letters when we are absent,
such *will we be* also in deed when we are present.
12 For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some
that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing
themselves among themselves, are not wise.

13 But we will not boast of things without *our* measure, but according to the measure of
the rule which God hath distributed to us, a measure to reach even unto you.
14 For we stretch not ourselves beyond *our measure*, as though we reached not unto you:
for we are come as far as to you also in *preaching* the gospel of Christ:
15 Not boasting of things without *our* measure, *that is*, of other men's labours; but having
hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule
abundantly,
16 To preach the gospel in the *regions* beyond you, *and* not to boast in another man's line
of things made ready to our hand.
17 But he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.
18 For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth.

11

1 Would to God ye could bear with me a little in *my* folly: and indeed bear with me.
2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband,
that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ.
3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your
minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.
4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye
receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not
accepted, ye might well bear with *him*.
5 For I suppose I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles.
6 But though *I be* rude in speech, yet not in knowledge; but we have been throughly made
manifest among you in all things.
7 Have I committed an offence in abasing myself that ye might be exalted, because I have
preached to you the gospel of God freely?
8 I robbed other churches, taking wages *of them*, to do you service.
9 And when I was present with you, and wanted, I was chargeable to no man: for that
which was lacking to me the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied: and in all
things I have kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and *so* will I keep *myself*.
10 As the truth of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me of this boasting in the regions of
Achaia.
11 Wherefore? because I love you not? God knoweth.
12 But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them which desire
occasion; that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we.
13 For such *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the
apostles of Christ.
14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.
15 Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of
righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.
16 I say again, Let no man think me a fool; if otherwise, yet as a fool receive me, that I may
boast myself a little.
17 That which I speak, I speak *it* not after the Lord, but as it were foolishly, in this
confidence of boasting.
18 Seeing that many glory after the flesh, I will glory also.
19 For ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye *yourselves* are wise.
20 For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour *you*, if a man take *of*
you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.
21 I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever
any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also.
22 Are they Hebrews? so *am* I. Are they Israelites? so *am* I. Are they the seed of Abraham?
so *am* I.
23 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I *am* more; in labours more abundant,
in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.
24 Of the Jews five times received I forty *stripes* save one.
25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night
and a day I have been in the deep;
26 *In* journeyings often, *in* perils of waters, *in* perils of robbers, *in* perils by *mine own*
countrymen, *in* perils by the heathen, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness, *in*
perils in the sea, *in* perils among false brethren;
27 In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings
often, in cold and nakedness.

28 Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all
the churches.
29 Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not?
30 If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities.
31 The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth
that I lie not.
32 In Damascus the governor under Aretas the king kept the city of the Damascenes with
a garrison, desirous to apprehend me:
33 And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and escaped his hands.

12

1 It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of
the Lord.
2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or
whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third
heaven.
3 And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God
knoweth;)
4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not
lawful for a man to utter.
5 Of such an one will I glory: yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.
6 For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but *now*
I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me *to be*, or *that* he
heareth of me.
7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations,
there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should
be exalted above measure.
8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.
9 And he said unto me, **My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made
perfect in weakness.** Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the
power of Christ may rest upon me.
10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions,
in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.
11 I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been
commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be
nothing.
12 Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and
wonders, and mighty deeds.
13 For what is it wherein ye were inferior to other churches, except *it be* that I myself was
not burdensome to you? forgive me this wrong.
14 Behold, the third time I am ready to come to you; and I will not be burdensome to you:
for I seek not yours, but you: for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the
parents for the children.
15 And I will very gladly spend and be spent for you; though the more abundantly I love
you, the less I be loved.
16 But be it so, I did not burden you: nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile.
17 Did I make a gain of you by any of them whom I sent unto you?
18 I desired Titus, and with *him* I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? walked we
not in the same spirit? *walked we* not in the same steps?
19 Again, think ye that we excuse ourselves unto you? we speak before God in Christ: but
we do all things, dearly beloved, for your edifying.
20 For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and *that* I shall be found
unto you such as ye would not: lest *there be* debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings,
whisperings, swellings, tumults:
21 *And* lest, when I come again, my God will humble me among you, and *that* I shall
bewail many which have sinned already, and have not repented of the uncleanness and
fornication and lasciviousness which they have committed.

13

1 This *is* the third *time* I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall
every word be established.

2 I told you before, and foretell you, as if I were present, the second time; and being absent
now I write to them which heretofore have sinned, and to all other, that, if I come again, I
will not spare:
3 Since ye seek a proof of Christ speaking in me, which to you-ward is not weak, but is
mighty in you.
4 For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For
we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.
5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not
your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?
6 But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates.
7 Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye
should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.
8 For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.
9 For we are glad, when we are weak, and ye are strong: and this also we wish, *even* your
perfection.
10 Therefore I write these things being absent, lest being present I should use sharpness,
according to the power which the Lord hath given me to edification, and not to destruction.
11 Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in
peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.
12 Greet one another with an holy kiss.
13 All the saints salute you.
14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy
Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen.

The second epistle to the Corinthians was written from Philippi, a city of Macedonia, by Titus and Lucas.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE GALATIANS

1 Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father,
who raised him from the dead;)
2 And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:
3 Grace *be* to you and peace from God the Father, and *from* our Lord Jesus Christ,
4 Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world,
according to the will of God and our Father:
5 To whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ
unto another gospel:
7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel
of Christ.
8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that
which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.
9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than
that ye have received, let him be accursed.
10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased
men, I should not be the servant of Christ.
11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.
12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but by the revelation of Jesus
Christ.
13 For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that
beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:
14 And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being
more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.
15 But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me*
by his grace,
16 To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I
conferred not with flesh and blood:
17 Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into
Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.
18 Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen
days.
19 But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.
20 Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.
21 Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;
22 And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:
23 But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the
faith which once he destroyed.
24 And they glorified God in me.

2

1 Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus
with *me* also.
2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach
among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I
should run, or had run, in vain.
3 But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:
4 And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out
our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:
5 To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel
might continue with you.
6 But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter
to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed *to be somewhat* in conference
added nothing to me:
7 But contrariwise, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed
unto me, as *the gospel* of the circumcision *was* unto Peter;

8 (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same
was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)
9 And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that
was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we
should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.
10 Only *they would* that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward
to do.
11 But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be
blamed.
12 For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when
they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the
circumcision.
13 And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was
carried away with their dissimulation.
14 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I
said unto Peter before *them* all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and
not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?
15 We *who are* Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,
16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus
Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of
Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
17 But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, *is*
therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.
18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.
19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.
20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and
the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and
gave himself for me.
21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness *come* by the law, then Christ is
dead in vain.

3

1 O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before
whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?
2 This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the
hearing of faith?
3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?
4 Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if *it be* yet in vain.
5 He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, *doeth
he it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?
6 Even as Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.
7 Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.
8 And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith,
preached before the gospel unto Abraham, *saying*, In thee shall all nations be blessed.
9 So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.
10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed
is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do
them.
11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, *it is* evident: for, The just shall
live by faith.
12 And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.
13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is
written, Cursed *is* every one that hangeth on a tree:
14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that
we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.
15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though *it be* but a man's covenant, yet *if it
be* confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.
16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as
of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.
17 And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law,
which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the
promise of none effect.

18 For if the inheritance *be* of the law, *it is* no more of promise: but God gave *it* to Abraham
by promise.
19 Wherefore then *serveth* the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed
should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* ordained by angels in the hand of
a mediator.
20 Now a mediator is not *a mediator* of one, but God is one.
21 *Is* the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law
given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.
22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ
might be given to them that believe.
23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should
afterwards be revealed.
24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster *to bring us* unto Christ, that we might be
justified by faith.
25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.
26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.
27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male
nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.
29 And if ye *be* Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

4

1 Now I say, *That* the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though
he be lord of all;
2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.
3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:
4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman,
made under the law,
5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.
6 And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts,
crying, Abba, Father.
7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God
through Christ.
8 Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no
gods.
9 But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again
to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?
10 Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.
11 I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain.
12 Brethren, I beseech you, be as I *am*; for I *am* as ye *are*: ye have not injured me at all.
13 Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.
14 And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received
me as an angel of God, *even* as Christ Jesus.
15 Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been*
possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.
16 Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?
17 They zealously affect you, *but* not well; yea, they would exclude you, that ye might
affect them.
18 But *it is* good to be zealously affected always in *a* good *thing*, and not only when I am
present with you.
19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,
20 I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for I stand in doubt of
you.
21 Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law?
22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a
freewoman.
23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman
was by promise.
24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount
Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.
25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and
is in bondage with her children.

26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.
27 For it is written, Rejoice, *thou* barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.
28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.
29 But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him *that was born* after the Spirit, even so *it is* now.
30 Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.
31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.

5

1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.
2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.
3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.
4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.
5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.
6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.
7 Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?
8 This persuasion *cometh* not of him that calleth you.
9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.
10 I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.
11 And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.
12 I would they were even cut off which trouble you.
13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only *use* not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.
14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even* in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.
16 *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.
19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these*; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.
24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

6

1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.
2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.
3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.
4 But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.
5 For every man shall bear his own burden.
6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also
reap.
8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to
the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.
9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.
10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them
who are of the household of faith.
11 Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.
12 As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be
circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.
13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you
circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.
14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom
the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.
15 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a
new creature.
16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace *be* on them, and mercy, and upon
the Israel of God.
17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord
Jesus.
18 Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.

Unto the Galatians written from Rome.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE EPHESIANS

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus,
and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:
2 Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all
spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ:
4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we
should be holy and without blame before him in love:
5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself,
according to the good pleasure of his will,
6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to
the riches of his grace;
8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure
which he hath purposed in himself:
10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all
things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; *even* in him:
11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the
purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:
12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.
13 In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your
salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of
promise,
14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased
possession, unto the praise of his glory.
15 Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the
saints,
16 Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;
17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit
of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope
of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,
19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according
to the working of his mighty power,
20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own
right hand in the heavenly *places*,
21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that
is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:
22 And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to
the church,
23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

2

1 And you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins;
2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the
prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:
3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh,
fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath,
even as others.
4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye
are saved;)
6 And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ
Jesus:
7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *his* kindness
toward us through Christ Jesus.
8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.
10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
11 Wherefore remember, that ye *being* in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;
12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:
13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.
14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*;
15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, *so* making peace;
16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:
17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.
18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.
19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;
20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*;
21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:
22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

3

1 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:
3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,
4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:
7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;
9 And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:
10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly *places* might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,
11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:
12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.
13 Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.
14 For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,
16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;
17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what *is* the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;
19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
21 Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

4

1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation
wherewith ye are called,
2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;
3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
4 *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
6 One God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and through all, and in you all.
7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave
gifts unto men.
9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts
of the earth?
10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he
might fill all things.)
11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some,
pastors and teachers;
12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the
body of Christ:
13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto
a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:
14 That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with
every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, *and* cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in
wait to deceive;
15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head,
even Christ:
16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every
joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh
increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.
17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other
Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,
18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the
ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:
19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all
uncleanness with greediness.
20 But ye have not so learned Christ;
21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:
22 That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt
according to the deceitful lusts;
23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;
24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true
holiness.
25 Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are
members one of another.
26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:
27 Neither give place to the devil.
28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the
thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.
29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to
the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.
30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of
redemption.
31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away
from you, with all malice:
32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for
Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

5

1 Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;
2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering
and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among
you, as becometh saints;
4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather
giving of thanks.
5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is
an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.
6 Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath
of God upon the children of disobedience.
7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.
8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now *are ye* light in the Lord: walk as children of
light:
9 (For the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)
10 Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.
11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove
them.
12 For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.
13 But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth
make manifest is light.
14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall
give thee light.
15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is*.
18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;
19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making
melody in your heart to the Lord;
20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord
Jesus Christ;
21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.
22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and
he is the saviour of the body.
24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands
in every thing.
25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for
it;
26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,
27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or
any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.
28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth
himself.
29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the
Lord the church:
30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.
31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his
wife, and they two shall be one flesh.
32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.
33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and
the wife *see* that she reverence *her* husband.

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1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.
2 Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;)
3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture
and admonition of the Lord.
5 Servants, be obedient to them that are *your* masters according to the flesh, with fear
and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;
6 Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God
from the heart;
7 With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:

8 Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the
Lord, whether *he be* bond or free.
9 And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that
your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.
10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the
devil.
12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers,
against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.
13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand
in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate
of righteousness;
15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;
16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery
darts of the wicked.
17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:
18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto
with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;
19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly,
to make known the mystery of the gospel,
20 For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to
speak.
21 But that ye also may know my affairs, *and* how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and
faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things:
22 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and
that he might comfort your hearts.
23 Peace *be* to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus
Christ.
24 Grace *be* with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen.

Written from Rome unto the Ephesians by Tychicus.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE PHILIPPIANS

1 Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which
are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:
2 Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 I thank my God upon every remembrance of you,
4 Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy,
5 For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now;
6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will
perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ:
7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart;
inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all
are partakers of my grace.
8 For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.
9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and *in* all
judgment;
10 That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without
offence till the day of Christ;
11 Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory
and praise of God.
12 But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things *which happened* unto me
have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel;
13 So that my bonds in Christ are manifest in all the palace, and in all other *places*;
14 And many of the brethren in the Lord, waxing confident by my bonds, are much more
bold to speak the word without fear.
15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will:
16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my
bonds:
17 But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.
18 What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is
preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.
19 For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of
the Spirit of Jesus Christ,
20 According to my earnest expectation and *my* hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed,
but *that* with all boldness, as always, *so* now also Christ shall be magnified in my body,
whether *it be* by life, or by death.
21 For to me to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain.
22 But if I live in the flesh, this *is* the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.
23 For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which
is far better:
24 Nevertheless to abide in the flesh *is* more needful for you.
25 And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all for your
furtherance and joy of faith;
26 That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ for me by my coming to you
again.
27 Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come
and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit,
with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;
28 And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of
perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God.
29 For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to
suffer for his sake;
30 Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear *to be* in me.

2

1 If *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship
of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,
2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one
mind.

3 *Let* nothing *be done* through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem
other better than themselves.
4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.
5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was
made in the likeness of men:
8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto
death, even the death of the cross.
9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above
every name:
10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in
earth, and *things* under the earth;
11 And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the
Father.
12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but
now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.
13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure.
14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:
15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst
of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;
16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not
run in vain, neither laboured in vain.
17 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice
with you all.
18 For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me.
19 But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of
good comfort, when I know your state.
20 For I have no man likeminded, who will naturally care for your state.
21 For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.
22 But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in
the gospel.
23 Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me.
24 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.
25 Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion
in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.
26 For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that
he had been sick.
27 For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him
only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.
28 I sent him therefore the more carefully, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice,
and that I may be the less sorrowful.
29 Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and hold such in reputation:
30 Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply
your lack of service toward me.

3

1 Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed
is not grievous, but for you *it is* safe.
2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision.
3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus,
and have no confidence in the flesh.
4 Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath
whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:
5 Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, *of* the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew
of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee;
6 Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the
law, blameless.
7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.
8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of
Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them
but dung, that I may win Christ,

9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that
which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:
10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his
sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;
11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.
12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if
that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.
13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting
those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,
14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.
15 Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be
otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.
16 Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us
mind the same thing.
17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for
an ensample.
18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, *that
they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ:
19 Whose end *is* destruction, whose God *is their* belly, and *whose* glory *is* in their shame,
who mind earthly things.)
20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord
Jesus Christ:
21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body,
according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

4

1 Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast
in the Lord, *my* dearly beloved.
2 I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord.
3 And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in
the gospel, with Clement also, and *with* other my fellowlabourers, whose names *are* in the
book of life.
4 Rejoice in the Lord alway: *and* again I say, Rejoice.
5 Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord *is* at hand.
6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known unto God.
7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and
minds through Christ Jesus.
8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* honest, whatso-
ever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever
things *are* of good report; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these
things.
9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do:
and the God of peace shall be with you.
10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your care of me hath flourished
again; wherein ye were also careful, but ye lacked opportunity.
11 Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am,
therewith to be content.
12 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all
things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.
13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.
14 Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with my affliction.
15 Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed
from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving,
but ye only.
16 For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.
17 Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.
18 But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things *which
were sent* from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.
19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
20 Now unto God and our Father *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
21 Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren which are with me greet you.

22 All the saints salute you, chiefly they that are of Caesar's household.
23 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

It was written to the Philippians from Rome by Epaphroditus.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE COLOSSIANS

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus *our* brother,
2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,
4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love *which ye have* to all the saints,
5 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;
6 Which is come unto you, as *it is* in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as *it doth* also in you, since the day ye heard *of it*, and knew the grace of God in truth:
7 As ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellowservant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ;
8 Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit.
9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard *it*, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;
10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;
11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;
12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:
13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son:
14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins:
15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:
16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:
17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.
18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence.
19 For it pleased *the Father* that in him should all fulness dwell;
20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven.
21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in *your* mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled
22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:
23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and *be* not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, *and* which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;
24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:
25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;
26 *Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:
27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:
28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:
29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

2

1 For I would that ye knew what great conflict I have for you, and *for* them at Laodicea,
and *for* as many as have not seen my face in the flesh;
2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of
the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and
of the Father, and of Christ;
3 In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.
5 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding
your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.
6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, *so* walk ye in him:
7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.
8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition
of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.
9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.
10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:
11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in
putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:
12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of
the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.
13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he
quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;
14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to
us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;
15 *And* having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly,
triumphing over them in it.
16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of
the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*:
17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ.
18 Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of
angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly
mind,
19 And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having
nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God.
20 Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though
living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances,
21 (Touch not; taste not; handle not;
22 Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of
men?
23 Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and
neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.

3

1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth
on the right hand of God.
2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.
3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.
4 When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.
5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness,
inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:
6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:
7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.
8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication
out of your mouth.
9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;
10 And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him
that created him:
11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian,
Scythian, bond *nor* free: but Christ *is* all, and in all.
12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness,
humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against
any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye.
14 And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.
15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body;
and be ye thankful.
16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing
one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to
the Lord.
17 And what soever ye do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving
thanks to God and the Father by him.
18 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.
19 Husbands, love *your* wives, and be not bitter against them.
20 Children, obey *your* parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.
21 Fathers, provoke not your children *to anger*, lest they be discouraged.
22 Servants, obey in all things *your* masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice,
as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God:
23 And what soever ye do, do *it* heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;
24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve
the Lord Christ.
25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is
no respect of persons.

4

1 Masters, give unto *your* servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have
a Master in heaven.
2 Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;
3 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak
the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds:
4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.
5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.
6 Let your speech *be* alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought
to answer every man.
7 All my state shall Tychicus declare unto you, *who is* a beloved brother, and a faithful
minister and fellowservant in the Lord:
8 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and
comfort your hearts;
9 With Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is *one* of you. They shall make
known unto you all things which *are done* here.
10 Aristarchus my fellowprisoner saluteth you, and Marcus, sister's son to Barnabas,
(touching whom ye received commandments: if he come unto you, receive him;)
11 And Jesus, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision. These only *are my*
fellowworkers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me.
12 Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring
fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.
13 For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them *that are* in Laodicea,
and them in Hierapolis.
14 Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, greet you.
15 Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in
his house.
16 And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the
Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the *epistle* from Laodicea.
17 And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord,
that thou fulfil it.
18 The salutation by the hand of me Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace *be* with you. Amen.

Written from Rome to the Colossians by Tychicus and Onesimus.

THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE THESSALONIANS

1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians *which is* in
God the Father and *in* the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our
Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.
2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers;
3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of
hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;
4 Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.
5 For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost,
and in much assurance; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your
sake.
6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much
affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:
7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.
8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but
also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak
any thing.
9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how
ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;
10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which
delivered us from the wrath to come.

2

1 For yourselves, brethren, know our entrance in unto you, that it was not in vain:
2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye
know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much
contention.
3 For our exhortation *was* not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile:
4 But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak; not
as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.
5 For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetous-
ness; God *is* witness:
6 Nor of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor *yet* of others, when we might have been
burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.
7 But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children:
8 So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not
the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.
9 For ye remember, brethren, our labour and travail: for labouring night and day,
because we would not be chargeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel
of God.
10 Ye *are* witnesses, and God *also*, how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved
ourselves among you that believe:
11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father
doth his children,
12 That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.
13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word
of God which ye heard of us, ye received *it* not *as* the word of men, but as it is in truth, the
word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.
14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ
Jesus: for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they *have* of
the Jews:
15 Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and
they please not God, and are contrary to all men:
16 Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins
alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.
17 But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart,
endeavoured the more abundantly to see your face with great desire.

18 Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but Satan
hindered us.
19 For what *is* our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? *Are* not even ye in the presence of
our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?
20 For ye are our glory and joy.

3

1 Wherefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens
alone;
2 And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellowlabourer in the
gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith:
3 That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are
appointed thereunto.
4 For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation;
even as it came to pass, and ye know.
5 For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some
means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain.
6 But now when Timotheus came from you unto us, and brought us good tidings of your
faith and charity, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see
us, as we also *to see* you:
7 Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress by
your faith:
8 For now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.
9 For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy
for your sakes before our God;
10 Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that
which is lacking in your faith?
11 Now God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, direct our way unto you.
12 And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and
toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you:
13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our
Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

4

1 Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort *you* by the Lord Jesus, that as
ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, *so* ye would abound more
and more.
2 For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
3 For this is the will of God, *even* your sanctification, that ye should abstain from
fornication:
4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and
honour;
5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:
6 That no *man* go beyond and defraud his brother in *any* matter: because that the Lord
is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.
7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.
8 He therefore that despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us
his holy Spirit.
9 But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are
taught of God to love one another.
10 And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech
you, brethren, that ye increase more and more;
11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own
hands, as we commanded you;
12 That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and *that* ye may have lack
of nothing.
13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep,
that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.
14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus
will God bring with him.
15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain
unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the
archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the
clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

5

1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.
2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.
3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them,
as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.
4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor
of darkness.
6 Therefore let us not sleep, as *do* others; but let us watch and be sober.
7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.
8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and
for an helmet, the hope of salvation.
9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.
11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.
12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over
you in the Lord, and admonish you;
13 And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. *And* be at peace among
yourselves.
14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded,
support the weak, be patient toward all *men*.
15 See that none render evil for evil unto any *man*; but ever follow that which is good,
both among yourselves, and to all *men*.
16 Rejoice evermore.
17 Pray without ceasing.
18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.
19 Quench not the Spirit.
20 Despise not prophesyings.
21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.
22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.
23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and
soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
24 Faithful *is* he that calleth you, who also will do *it*.
25 Brethren, pray for us.
26 Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss.
27 I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.
28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

The first epistle unto the Thessalonians was written from Athens.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE THESSALONIANS

1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
2 Grace unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your
faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other
aboundeth;
4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in
all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:
5 *Which is* a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted
worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:
6 Seeing *it is* a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble
you;
7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from
heaven with his mighty angels,
8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the
gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and
from the glory of his power;
10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that
believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.
11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of *this*
calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of *his* goodness, and the work of faith with power:
12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according
to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2

1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and *by* our
gathering together unto him,
2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor
by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.
3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a
falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped;
so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.
5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?
6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.
7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he
be taken out of the way.
8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit
of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
9 *Even him*, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying
wonders,
10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they
received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:
12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in
unrighteousness.
13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord,
because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the
Spirit and belief of the truth:
14 Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus
Christ.
15 Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught,
whether by word, or our epistle.
16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and
hath given *us* everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,
17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

3

1 Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have *free* course, and be
glorified, even as *it is* with you:
2 And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all *men* have
not faith.
3 But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep *you* from evil.
4 And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things
which we command you.
5 And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for
Christ.
6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw
yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which
he received of us.
7 For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves
disorderly among you;
8 Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail
night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you:
9 Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow
us.
10 For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work,
neither should he eat.
11 For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all,
but are busybodies.
12 Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with
quietness they work, and eat their own bread.
13 But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing.
14 And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company
with him, that he may be ashamed.
15 Yet count *him* not as an enemy, but admonish *him* as a brother.
16 Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord *be* with
you all.
17 The salutation of Paul with mine own hand, which is the token in every epistle: so I
write.
18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.

The second epistle to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.

THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TIMOTHY

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus
Christ, *which is* our hope;
2 Unto Timothy, *my* own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God our Father
and Jesus Christ our Lord.
3 As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, that thou
mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine,
4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather
than godly edifying which is in faith: *so do*.
5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and *of* a good
conscience, and *of* faith unfeigned:
6 From which some having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling;
7 Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof
they affirm.
8 But we know that the law *is* good, if a man use it lawfully;
9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and
disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of
fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,
10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers,
for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound
doctrine;
11 According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.
12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me
faithful, putting me into the ministry;
13 Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy,
because I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief.
14 And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in
Christ Jesus.
15 This *is* a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the
world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.
16 Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew
forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life
everlasting.
17 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, *be* honour and glory
for ever and ever. Amen.
18 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went
before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare;
19 Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith
have made shipwreck:
20 Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they
may learn not to blaspheme.

2

1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* giving of
thanks, be made for all men;
2 For kings, and *for* all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life
in all godliness and honesty.
3 For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;
4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.
5 For *there is* one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;
6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.
7 Where unto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, *and*
lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.
8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and
doubting.
9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shame-
facedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;
10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.
12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.
13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.
14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.
15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

3

1 This *is* a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.
2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;
3 Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;
4 One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;
5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)
6 Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.
7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.
8 Likewise *must* the deacons *be* grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;
9 Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.
10 And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being *found* blameless.
11 Even so *must their* wives *be* grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.
12 Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.
13 For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.
14 These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:
15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.
16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

4

1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;
2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;
3 Forbidding to marry, *and commanding* to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.
4 For every creature of God *is* good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:
5 For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.
6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.
7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself *rather* unto godliness.
8 For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.
9 This *is* a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation.
10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.
11 These things command and teach.
12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.
13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.
14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear
to all.
16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou
shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

5

1 Rebuke not an elder, but intreat *him* as a father; *and* the younger men as brethren;
2 The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all purity.
3 Honour widows that are widows indeed.
4 But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home,
and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.
5 Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in
supplications and prayers night and day.
6 But she that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth.
7 And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless.
8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath
denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.
9 Let not a widow be taken into the number under threescore years old, having been the
wife of one man,
10 Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged
strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have
diligently followed every good work.
11 But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun to wax wanton against
Christ, they will marry;
12 Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.
13 And withal they learn *to be* idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only
idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.
14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give
none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.
15 For some are already turned aside after Satan.
16 If any man or woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not
the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.
17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who
labour in the word and doctrine.
18 For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And,
The labourer *is* worthy of his reward.
19 Against an elder receive not an accusation, but before two or three witnesses.
20 Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.
21 I charge *thee* before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou
observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.
22 Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself
pure.
23 Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often
infirmities.
24 Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some *men* they
follow after.
25 Likewise also the good works *of some* are manifest beforehand; and they that are
otherwise can not be hid.

6

1 Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all
honour, that the name of God and *his* doctrine be not blasphemed.
2 And they that have believing masters, let them not despise *them*, because they are
brethren; but rather do *them* service, because they are faithful and beloved, partakers of
the benefit. These things teach and exhort.
3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even* the words of
our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;
4 He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof
cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,
5 Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that
gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.
6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

7 For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out.
8 And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.
9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.
10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.
11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.
12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, where unto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.
13 I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and *before* Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession;
14 That thou keep *this* commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:
15 Which in his times he shall shew, *who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;
16 Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom *be* honour and power everlasting. Amen.
17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;
18 That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;
19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.
20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane *and* vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:
21 Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace *be* with thee. Amen.

The first to Timothy was written from Laodicea, which is the chiefest city of Phrygia Pacatiana.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TIMOTHY

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which
is in Christ Jesus,
2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and
Christ Jesus our Lord.
3 I thank God, whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure conscience, that without
ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;
4 Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;
5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy
grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.
6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee
by the putting on of my hands.
7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound
mind.
8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner:
but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;
9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but
according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the
world began,
10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath
abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:
11 Where unto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.
12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I
know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have
committed unto him against that day.
13 Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love
which is in Christ Jesus.
14 That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which
dwelleth in us.
15 This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom
are Phygellus and Hermogenes.
16 The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus; for he oft refreshed me, and was
not ashamed of my chain:
17 But, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found *me*.
18 The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day: and in how
many things he ministered unto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

2

1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.
2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit
thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.
3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life; that he may please
him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.
5 And if a man also strive for masteries, *yet* is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.
6 The husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits.
7 Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.
8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to
my gospel:
9 Where in I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, *even* unto bonds; but the word of God is not
bound.
10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the
salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
11 *It is* a faithful saying: For if we be dead with *him*, we shall also live with *him*:
12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with *him*: if we deny *him*, he also will deny us:
13 If we believe not, *yet* he abideth faithful: he can not deny himself.
14 Of these things put *them* in remembrance, charging *them* before the Lord that they
strive not about words to no profit, *but* to the subverting of the hearers.

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed,
rightly dividing the word of truth.
16 But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.
17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus;
18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and
overthrow the faith of some.
19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth
them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.
20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood
and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.
21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour,
sanctified, and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared unto every good work.
22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that
call on the Lord out of a pure heart.
23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach,
patient,
25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give
them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;
26 And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken
captive by him at his will.

3

1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers,
disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers
of those that are good,
4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden
with sins, led away with divers lusts,
7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of
corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.
9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all *men*, as theirs
also was.
10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering,
charity, patience,
11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what
persecutions I endured: but out of *them* all the Lord delivered me.
12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.
13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of,
knowing of whom thou hast learned *them*;
15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make
thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof,
for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

4

1 I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick
and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all
longsuffering and doctrine.
3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own
lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
4 And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full
proof of thy ministry.
6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:
8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the
righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that
love his appearing.
9 Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:
10 For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto
Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me
for the ministry.
12 And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus.
13 The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring *with thee*, and the
books, *but* especially the parchments.
14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his
works:
15 Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood our words.
16 At my first answer no man stood with me, but all *men* forsook me: *I pray God* that it
may not be laid to their charge.
17 Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the
preaching might be fully known, and *that* all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered
out of the mouth of the lion.
18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto his
heavenly kingdom: to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
19 Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.
20 Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.
21 Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus,
and Claudia, and all the brethren.
22 The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with thy spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen.

The second epistle unto Timotheus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Ephesians, was written from Rome, when Paul was brought before Nero the second time.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TITUS

1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's
elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;
2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;
3 But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto
me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;
4 To Titus, *mine* own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.
5 For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are
wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:
6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of
riot or unruly.
7 For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry,
not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre;
8 But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;
9 Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound
doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.
10 For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the
circumcision:
11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which
they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.
12 One of themselves, *even* a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians *are* alway liars, evil
beasts, slow bellies.
13 This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the
faith;
14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.
15 Unto the pure all things *are* pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving *is*
nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.
16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny *him*, being abominable, and
disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

2

1 But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:
2 That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.
3 The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false
accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;
4 That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their
children,
5 *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the
word of God be not blasphemed.
6 Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded.
7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine *shewing* uncorrupt-
ness, gravity, sincerity,
8 Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be
ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.
9 *Exhort* servants to be obedient unto their own masters, *and* to please *them* well in all
things; not answering again;
10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God
our Saviour in all things.
11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly,
righteously, and godly, in this present world;
13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our
Saviour Jesus Christ;
14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto
himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise
thee.

3

1 Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be
ready to every good work,
2 To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, *but* gentle, shewing all meekness unto all
men.
3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers
lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another.
4 But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,
5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved
us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;
6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;
7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of
eternal life.
8 *This is* a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they
which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are
good and profitable unto men.
9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the
law; for they are unprofitable and vain.
10 A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject;
11 Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.
12 When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to
Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter.
13 Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be
wanting unto them.
14 And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not
unfruitful.
15 All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace *be* with you
all. Amen.

It was written to Titus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Cretians, from Nicopolis of Macedonia.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO PHILEMON

1 Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy *our* brother, unto Philemon our dearly
beloved, and fellowlabourer,
2 And to *our* beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in thy
house:
3 Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,
5 Hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all
saints;
6 That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of
every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.
7 For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are
refreshed by thee, brother.
8 Wherefore, though I might be much bold in Christ to enjoin thee that which is
convenient,
9 Yet for love's sake I rather beseech *thee*, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now
also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.
10 I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds:
11 Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me:
12 Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:
13 Whom I would have retained with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto
me in the bonds of the gospel:
14 But without thy mind would I do nothing; that thy benefit should not be as it were of
necessity, but willingly.
15 For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for
ever;
16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how
much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?
17 If thou count me therefore a partner, receive him as myself.
18 If he hath wronged thee, or oweth *thee* ought, put that on mine account;
19 I Paul have written *it* with mine own hand, I will repay *it*: albeit I do not say to thee
how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.
20 Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.
21 Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do
more than I say.
22 But withal prepare me also a lodging: for I trust that through your prayers I shall be
given unto you.
23 There salute thee Epaphras, my fellowprisoner in Christ Jesus;
24 Marcus, Aristarchus, Demas, Lucas, my fellowlabourers.
25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.

Written from Rome to Philemon, by Onesimus, a servant.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE HEBREWS

1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by
the prophets,
2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by *his* Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all
things, by whom also he made the worlds;
3 Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and
upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins,
sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;
4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more
excellent name than they.
5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I
begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?
6 And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the
angels of God worship him.
7 And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of
fire.
8 But unto the Son *he saith*, Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: a sceptre of
righteousness *is* the sceptre of thy kingdom.
9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, *even* thy God, hath
anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
10 And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the
heavens are the works of thine hands:
11 They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;
12 And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the
same, and thy years shall not fail.
13 But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine
enemies thy footstool?
14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs
of salvation?

2

1 Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard,
lest at any time we should let *them* slip.
2 For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedi-
ence received a just recompence of reward;
3 How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be
spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;
4 God also bearing *them* witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles,
and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?
5 For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.
6 But one in a certain place testified, saying, What is man, that thou art mindful of him?
or the son of man, that thou visitest him?
7 Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and
honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:
8 Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection
under him, he left nothing *that is* not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put
under him.
9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death,
crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every
man.
10 For it became him, for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing
many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
11 For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause
he is not ashamed to call them brethren,
12 Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing
praise unto thee.
13 And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God
hath given me.

14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;
15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.
16 For verily he took not on *him the nature of* angels; but he took on *him* the seed of Abraham.
17 Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto *his* brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.
18 For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

3

1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;
2 Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses *was faithful* in all his house.
3 For this *man* was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.
4 For every house is builded by some *man*; but he that built all things *is* God.
5 And Moses verily *was* faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;
6 But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.
7 Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice,
8 Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:
9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.
10 Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in *their* heart; and they have not known my ways.
11 So I sware in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest.)
12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.
13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.
14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;
15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.
16 For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses.
17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? *was it* not with them that had sinned, whose carcases fell in the wilderness?
18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?
19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

4

1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.
2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*.
3 For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.
4 For he spake in a certain place of the seventh *day* on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works.
5 And in this *place* again, If they shall enter into my rest.
6 Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:
7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

8 For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another
day.
9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.
10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did*
from his.
11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example
of unbelief.
12 For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword,
piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and
is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.
13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things *are* naked
and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.
14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the
Son of God, let us hold fast *our* profession.
15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our
infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are, yet* without sin.
16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and
find grace to help in time of need.

5

1 For every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things *pertaining*
to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:
2 Who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for
that he himself also is compassed with infirmity.
3 And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.
4 And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as *was* Aaron.
5 So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him,
Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.
6 As he saith also in another *place*, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of
Melchisedec.
7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with
strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in
that he feared;
8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;
9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that
obey him;
10 Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.
11 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of
hearing.
12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again
which *be* the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of
milk, and not of strong meat.
13 For every one that useth milk *is* unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.
14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by reason of use
have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

6

1 Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection;
not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,
2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead,
and of eternal judgment.
3 And this will we do, if God permit.
4 For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the
heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,
6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to
themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.
7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth
herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:
8 But that which beareth thorns and briers *is* rejected, and *is* nigh unto cursing; whose
end *is* to be burned.

9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany
salvation, though we thus speak.
10 For God *is* not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have
shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.
11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance
of hope unto the end:
12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit
the promises.
13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he
sware by himself,
14 Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.
15 And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.
16 For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation *is* to them an end
of all strife.
17 Where in God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the
immutability of his counsel, confirmed *it* by an oath:
18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was* impossible for God to lie, we might have
a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:
19 Which *hope* we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which
entereth into that within the veil;
20 Whither the forerunner is for us entered, *even* Jesus, made an high priest for ever after
the order of Melchisedec.

7

1 For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham
returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of
righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;
3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor
end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.
4 Now consider how great this man *was*, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave
the tenth of the spoils.
5 And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood,
have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their
brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:
6 But he whose descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed
him that had the promises.
7 And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.
8 And here men that die receive tithes; but there he *receiveth them*, of whom it is
witnessed that he liveth.
9 And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abraham.
10 For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.
11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people
received the law,) what further need *was there* that another priest should rise after the
order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?
12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.
13 For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man
gave attendance at the altar.
14 For *it is* evident that our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing
concerning priesthood.
15 And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth
another priest,
16 Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an
endless life.
17 For he testifieth, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.
18 For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness
and unprofitableness thereof.
19 For the law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in of a better hope *did*; by the which
we draw nigh unto God.
20 And inasmuch as not without an oath *he was made priest*:

21 (For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said
unto him, The Lord sware and will not repent, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of
Melchisedec:)
22 By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament.
23 And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by
reason of death:
24 But this *man*, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood.
25 Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him,
seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.
26 For such an high priest became us, *who is* holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from
sinners, and made higher than the heavens;
27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins,
and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself.
28 For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath,
which was since the law, *maketh* the Son, who is consecrated for evermore.

8

1 Now of the things which we have spoken *this is* the sum: We have such an high priest,
who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;
2 A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not
man.
3 For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore *it is* of necessity
that this man have somewhat also to offer.
4 For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer
gifts according to the law:
5 Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished
of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, *that* thou make all
things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.
6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the
mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.
7 For if that first *covenant* had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for
the second.
8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will
make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:
9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took
them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my
covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.
10 For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith
the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be
to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:
11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying,
Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.
12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will
I remember no more.
13 In that he saith, A new *covenant*, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth
and waxeth old *is* ready to vanish away.

9

1 Then verily the first *covenant* had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly
sanctuary.
2 For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein *was* the candlestick, and the table,
and the shewbread; which is called the sanctuary.
3 And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all;
4 Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with
gold, wherein *was* the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the
tables of the covenant;
5 And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we can not now
speak particularly.
6 Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first
tabernacle, accomplishing the service *of God*.
7 But into the second *went* the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which
he offered for himself, and *for* the errors of the people:

8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all was not yet made
manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:
9 Which *was* a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and
sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the
conscience;
10 *Which stood* only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances,
imposed *on them* until the time of reformation.
11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more
perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;
12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into
the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption *for us*.
13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean,
sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:
14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered
himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living
God?
15 And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for
the redemption of the transgressions *that were* under the first testament, they which are
called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.
16 For where a testament *is*, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator.
17 For a testament *is* of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while
the testator liveth.
18 Whereupon neither the first *testament* was dedicated without blood.
19 For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law,
he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and
sprinkled both the book, and all the people,
20 Saying, This *is* the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you.
21 Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the
ministry.
22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood
is no remission.
23 *It was* therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified
with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.
24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures
of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:
25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy
place every year with blood of others;
26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once
in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:
28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him
shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

10

1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the
things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make
the comers thereunto perfect.
2 For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once
purged should have had no more conscience of sins.
3 But in those *sacrifices there is* a remembrance again *made* of sins every year.
4 For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.
5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou
wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:
6 In burnt offerings and *sacrifices* for sin thou hast had no pleasure.
7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O
God.
8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and *offering* for sin thou
wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure *therein*; which are offered by the law;
9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may
establish the second.
10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ
once *for all*.

11 And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:
12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;
13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.
14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.
15 *Whereof* the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,
16 This *is* the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;
17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.
18 Now where remission of these *is, there is* no more offering for sin.
19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;
21 And *having* an high priest over the house of God;
22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.
23 Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)
24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:
25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is*; but exhorting *one another*: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.
26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,
27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.
28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:
29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?
30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.
31 *It is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.
32 But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions;
33 Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.
34 For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.
35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.
36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.
37 For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.
38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.
39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

11

1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.
2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.
3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.
4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.
5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.
6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared
an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir
of the righteousness which is by faith.
8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after
receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.
9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in
tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:
10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.
11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered
of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.
12 Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, *so many* as the stars of
the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.
13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off,
and were persuaded of *them*, and embraced *them*, and confessed that they were strangers
and pilgrims on the earth.
14 For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.
15 And truly, if they had been mindful of that *country* from whence they came out, they
might have had opportunity to have returned.
16 But now they desire a better *country*, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not
ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.
17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the
promises offered up his only begotten *son*,
18 Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called:
19 Accounting that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also
he received him in a figure.
20 By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.
21 By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped,
leaning upon the top of his staff.
22 By faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel;
and gave commandment concerning his bones.
23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they
saw *he was* a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.
24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's
daughter;
25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures
of sin for a season;
26 Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had
respect unto the recompence of the reward.
27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing
him who is invisible.
28 Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed
the firstborn should touch them.
29 By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry *land*: which the Egyptians assaying
to do were drowned.
30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.
31 By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had
received the spies with peace.
32 And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and *of* Barak,
and *of* Samson, and *of* Jephthae; *of* David also, and Samuel, and *of* the prophets:
33 Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises,
stopped the mouths of lions,
34 Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were
made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.
35 Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not
accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:
36 And others had trial of *cruel* mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and
imprisonment:
37 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword:
they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented;
38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and *in* mountains,
and *in* dens and caves of the earth.
39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:

40 God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made
perfect.

12

1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let
us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with
patience the race that is set before us,
2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set
before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of
the throne of God.
3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be
wearied and faint in your minds.
4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.
5 And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My
son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:
6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.
7 If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom
the father chasteneth not?
8 But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and
not sons.
9 Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected *us*, and we gave *them*
reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?
10 For they verily for a few days chastened *us* after their own pleasure; but he for *our*
profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness.
11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless
afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised
thereby.
12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;
13 And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way;
but let it rather be healed.
14 Follow peace with all *men*, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:
15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness
springing up trouble *you*, and thereby many be defiled;
16 Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat
sold his birthright.
17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was
rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.
18 For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire,
nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,
19 And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which *voice* they that heard
intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:
20 (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast
touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:
21 And so terrible was the sight, *that* Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)
22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly
Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,
23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and
to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,
24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that
speaketh better things than *that of* Abel.
25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that
spake on earth, much more *shall not* we *escape*, if we turn away from him that *speaketh*
from heaven:
26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I
shake not the earth only, but also heaven.
27 And this *word*, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken,
as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.
28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace,
whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:
29 For our God *is* a consuming fire.

13

1 Let brotherly love continue.
2 Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.
3 Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; *and* them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.
4 Marriage *is* honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.
5 *Let your* conversation *be* without covetousness; *and be* content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.
6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord *is* my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.
7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of *their* conversation.
8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.
9 Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For *it is* a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.
10 We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.
11 For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp.
12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.
13 Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.
14 For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.
15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips giving thanks to his name.
16 But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.
17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that *is* unprofitable for you.
18 Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.
19 But I beseech *you* the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.
20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,
21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
22 And I beseech you, brethren, suffer the word of exhortation: for I have written a letter unto you in few words.
23 Know ye that *our* brother Timothy is set at liberty; with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you.
24 Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you.
25 Grace *be* with you all. Amen.

Written to the Hebrews from Italy by Timothy.

THE GENERAL EPISTLE OF JAMES

1 James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are
scattered abroad, greeting.
2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;
3 Knowing *this*, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.
4 But let patience have *her* perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting
nothing.
5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and
upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the
sea driven with the wind and tossed.
7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.
8 A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.
9 Let the brother of low degree rejoice in that he is exalted:
10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass
away.
11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the
flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man
fade away in his ways.
12 Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the
crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.
13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted
with evil, neither tempteth he any man:
14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished,
bringeth forth death.
16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.
17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father
of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.
18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits
of his creatures.
19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow
to wrath:
20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.
21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with
meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.
22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.
23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his
natural face in a glass:
24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner
of man he was.
25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth *therein*, he being not
a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.
26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth
his own heart, this man's religion *is* vain.
27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless
and widows in their affliction, *and* to keep himself unspotted from the world.

2

1 My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, *the Lord* of glory, with respect
of persons.
2 For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and
there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;
3 And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou
here in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:
4 Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?
5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith,
and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

6 But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the
judgment seats?
7 Do not they blaspheme that worthy name by the which ye are called?
8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as
thyself, ye do well:
9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as
transgressors.
10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one *point*, he is guilty of all.
11 For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no
adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.
12 So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.
13 For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy
rejoiceth against judgment.
14 What *doth it* profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works?
can faith save him?
15 If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,
16 And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be *ye* warmed and filled; notwithstand-
ing ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what *doth it* profit?
17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy
works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.
19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and
tremble.
20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?
21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son
upon the altar?
22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?
23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed
unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.
24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.
25 Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the
messengers, and had sent *them* out another way?
26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

3

1 My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condem-
nation.
2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same *is* a perfect
man, *and* able also to bridle the whole body.
3 Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about
their whole body.
4 Behold also the ships, which though *they be* so great, and *are* driven of fierce winds, yet
are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.
5 Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a
matter a little fire kindleth!
6 And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that
it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of
hell.
7 For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed,
and hath been tamed of mankind:
8 But the tongue can no man tame; *it is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.
9 Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made
after the similitude of God.
10 Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things
ought not so to be.
11 Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet *water* and bitter?
12 Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so *can* no fountain
both yield salt water and fresh.
13 Who *is* a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a
good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.
14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the
truth.

15 This wisdom descendeth not from above, but *is* earthly, sensual, devilish.
16 For where envying and strife *is*, there *is* confusion and every evil work.
17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.
18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

4

1 From whence *come* wars and fightings among you? *come they* not hence, *even* of your lusts that war in your members?
2 Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.
3 Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your lusts.
4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.
5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?
6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.
7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.
9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and *your* joy to heaviness.
10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.
11 Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of *his* brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.
12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?
13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:
14 Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.
15 For that ye *ought* to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.
16 But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil.
17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.

5

1 Go to now, *ye* rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon *you*.
2 Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are motheaten.
3 Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.
4 Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.
5 Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.
6 Ye have condemned *and* killed the just; *and* he doth not resist you.
7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.
8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.
9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.
10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.
11 Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.
12 But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and *your* nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.
13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over
him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:
15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he
have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.
16 Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.
The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.
17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might
not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.
18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.
19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;
20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save
a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

THE FIRST EPISTLE GENERAL OF PETER

1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia,
Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,
2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the
Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and
peace, be multiplied.
3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant
mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from
the dead,
4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in
heaven for you,
5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in
the last time.
6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness
through manifold temptations:
7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth,
though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the
appearing of Jesus Christ:
8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye
rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:
9 Receiving the end of your faith, *even* the salvation of *your* souls.
10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophe-
sied of the grace *that should come* unto you:
11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did
signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should
follow.
12 Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister
the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto
you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look
into.
13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace
that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;
14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your
ignorance:
15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;
16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.
17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every
man's work, pass the time of your sojourning *here* in fear:
18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver
and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers;
19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:
20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in
these last times for you,
21 Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory;
that your faith and hope might be in God.
22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto
unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently:
23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God,
which liveth and abideth for ever.
24 For all flesh *is* as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass
withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:
25 But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel
is preached unto you.

2

1 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all
evil speakings,
2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:
3 If so be ye have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.

4 To whom coming, *as unto* a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, *and* precious,
5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.
6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.
7 Unto you therefore which believe *he is* precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,
8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, *even to them* which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.
9 But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:
10 Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.
11 Dearly beloved, I beseech *you* as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;
12 Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by *your* good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.
13 Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;
14 Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.
15 For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:
16 As free, and not using *your* liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.
17 Honour all *men*. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.
18 Servants, *be* subject to *your* masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.
19 For this *is* thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.
20 For what glory *is it*, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer *for it*, ye take it patiently, this *is* acceptable with God.
21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:
22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:
23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed *himself* to him that judgeth righteously:
24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.
25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

3

1 Likewise, ye wives, *be* in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;
2 While they behold your chaste conversation *coupled* with fear.
3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward *adorning* of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;
4 But *let it be* the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, *even the ornament* of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.
5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:
6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.
7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.
8 Finally, *be ye* all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, *be* pitiful, *be* courteous:

9 Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing
that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.
10 For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and
his lips that they speak no guile:
11 Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.
12 For the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers:
but the face of the Lord *is* against them that do evil.
13 And who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?
14 But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy *are ye*: and be not afraid of their
terror, neither be troubled;
15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to
every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:
16 Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they
may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.
17 For *it is* better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.
18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring
us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:
19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;
20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the
days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved
by water.
21 The like figure whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of
the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection
of Jesus Christ:
22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and
powers being made subject unto him.

4

1 Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with
the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;
2 That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to
the will of God.
3 For the time past of *our* life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles,
when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and
abominable idolatries:
4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with *them* to the same excess of riot,
speaking evil of *you*:
5 Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.
6 For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might
be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.
7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.
8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the
multitude of sins.
9 Use hospitality one to another without grudging.
10 As every man hath received the gift, *even so* minister the same one to another, as good
stewards of the manifold grace of God.
11 If any man speak, *let him speak* as the oracles of God; if any man minister, *let him do
it* as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus
Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
12 Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though
some strange thing happened unto you:
13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory
shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.
14 If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy *are ye*; for the spirit of glory and of
God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.
15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or *as* a thief, or *as* an evildoer, or as a busybody
in other men's matters.
16 Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on
this behalf.
17 For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it* first *begin*
at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?
18 And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

19 Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their
souls *to him* in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.

5

1 The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the
sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:
2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight *thereof*, not by
constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;
3 Neither as being lords over *God's* heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.
4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth
not away.
5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all *of you* be subject one to
another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the
humble.
6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in
due time:
7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.
8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about,
seeking whom he may devour:
9 Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished
in your brethren that are in the world.
10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after
that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle *you*.
11 To him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting,
and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.
13 The *church that is* at Babylon, elected together with *you*, saluteth you; and *so doth*
Marcus my son.
14 Greet ye one another with a kiss of charity. Peace *be* with you all that are in Christ
Jesus. Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE GENERAL OF PETER

1 Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like
precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:
2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus
our Lord,
3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and
godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:
4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye
might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world
through lust.
5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;
6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;
7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.
8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make *you that ye shall* neither *be* barren
nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.
9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that
he was purged from his old sins.
10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure:
for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:
11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting
kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
12 Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things,
though ye know *them*, and be established in the present truth.
13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting *you* in
remembrance;
14 Knowing that shortly I must put off *this* my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ
hath shewed me.
15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things
always in remembrance.
16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you
the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.
17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice
to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.
18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy
mount.
19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed,
as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in
your hearts:
20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.
21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake
as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

2

1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false
teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord
that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.
2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall
be evil spoken of.
3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you:
whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.
4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered
them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;
5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth *person*, a preacher of
righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;
6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned *them* with an
overthrow, making *them* an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;
7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:
8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed *his*
righteous soul from day to day with *their* unlawful deeds;)

9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust
unto the day of judgment to be punished:
10 But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise
government. Presumptuous *are they*, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of
dignities.
11 Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation
against them before the Lord.
12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the
things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;
13 And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, *as* they that count it pleasure to
riot in the day time. Spots *they are* and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own
deceivings while they feast with you;
14 Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls:
an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:
15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam
the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;
16 But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the
madness of the prophet.
17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the
mist of darkness is reserved for ever.
18 For when they speak great swelling *words* of vanity, they allure through the lusts of
the flesh, *through much* wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in
error.
19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for
of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.
20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the
Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter
end is worse with them than the beginning.
21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after
they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.
22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog *is* turned to his
own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

3

1 This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in *both* which I stir up your pure
minds by way of remembrance:
2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets,
and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:
3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their
own lusts,
4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all
things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation.
5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old,
and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:
7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store,
reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.
8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a
thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.
9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is
longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to
repentance.
10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall
pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also
and the works that are therein shall be burned up.
11 *Seeing* then *that* all these things shall be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought ye
to be in *all* holy conversation and godliness,
12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being
on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?
13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth,
wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be
found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.
15 And account *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation; even as our beloved
brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;
16 As also in all *his* epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things
hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also
the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.
17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know *these things* before, beware lest ye also, being
led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.
18 But grow in grace, and *in* the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him
be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST EPISTLE GENERAL OF JOHN

1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with
our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;
2 (For the life was manifested, and we have seen *it*, and bear witness, and shew unto you
that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)
3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have
fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father, and with his Son Jesus
Christ.
4 And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full.
5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God
is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not
the truth:
7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another,
and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us
from all unrighteousness.
10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2

1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we
have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:
2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of* the
whole world.
3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.
4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth
is not in him.
5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know
we that we are in him.
6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.
7 Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye
had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the
beginning.
8 Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you:
because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth.
9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.
10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling
in him.
11 But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth
not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.
12 I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake.
13 I write unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the beginning. I
write unto you, young men, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you,
little children, because ye have known the Father.
14 I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the
beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of
God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.
15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world,
the love of the Father is not in him.
16 For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride
of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.
17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God
abideth for ever.
18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even
now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.
19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would
no doubt have continued with us: but *they went out*, that they might be made manifest that
they were not all of us.

20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.
21 I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.
22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.
23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: *[but] he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also*.
24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.
25 And this is the promise that he hath promised us, *even* eternal life.
26 These *things* have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.
27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.
28 And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.
29 If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

3

1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.
2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.
4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.
5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.
6 Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.
7 Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.
8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.
9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.
10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.
11 For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.
12 Not as Cain, *who* was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.
13 Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.
14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not *his* brother abideth in death.
15 Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.
16 Hereby perceive we the love *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.
17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?
18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.
19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.
20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.
21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, *then* have we confidence toward God.
22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.
23 And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.
24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

4

1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because
many false prophets are gone out into the world.
2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come
in the flesh is of God:
3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God:
and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even
now already is it in the world.
4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in
you, than he that is in the world.
5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.
6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us.
Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.
7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of
God, and knoweth God.
8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.
9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only
begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.
10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son *to be* the
propitiation for our sins.
11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.
12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his
love is perfected in us.
13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his
Spirit.
14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son *to be* the Saviour of the
world.
15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in
God.
16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that
dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.
17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment:
because as he is, so are we in this world.
18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment.
He that feareth is not made perfect in love.
19 We love him, because he first loved us.
20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his
brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?
21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother
also.

5

1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth
him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.
2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his
commandments.
3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments
are not grievous.
4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that
overcometh the world, *even* our faith.
5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?
6 This is he that came by water and blood, *even* Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by
water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.
7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost:
and these three are one.
8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood:
and these three agree in one.
9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of
God which he hath testified of his Son.
10 He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not
God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.
11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

12 He that hath the Son hath life; *and* he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.
13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that
ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of
God.
14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to
his will, he heareth us:
15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions
that we desired of him.
16 If any man see his brother sin a sin *which is* not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall
give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that
he shall pray for it.
17 All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.
18 We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God
keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.
19 *And* we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.
20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that
we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, *even* in his Son Jesus Christ.
This is the true God, and eternal life.
21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF JOHN

1 The elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only,
but also all they that have known the truth;
2 For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever.
3 Grace be with you, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus
Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.
4 I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a
commandment from the Father.
5 And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee,
but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.
6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment,
That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.
7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come
in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.
8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we
receive a full reward.
9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He
that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.
10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into *your*
house, neither bid him God speed:
11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.
12 Having many things to write unto you, I would not *write* with paper and ink: but I trust
to come unto you, and speak face to face, that our joy may be full.
13 The children of thy elect sister greet thee. Amen.

THE THIRD EPISTLE OF JOHN

1 The elder unto the wellbeloved Gaius, whom I love in the truth.
2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.
3 For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth.
4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.
5 Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers;
6 Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, thou shalt do well:
7 Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.
8 We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellowhelpers to the truth.
9 I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.
10 Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth *them* out of the church.
11 Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.
12 Demetrius hath good report of all *men*, and of the truth itself: yea, and we *also* bear record; and ye know that our record is true.
13 I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee:
14 But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. Peace *be* to thee. *Our* friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.

THE GENERAL EPISTLE OF JUDE

1 Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by
God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, *and* called:
2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.
3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was
needful for me to write unto you, and exhort *you* that ye should earnestly contend for the
faith which was once delivered unto the saints.
4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to
this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and
denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.
5 I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord,
having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed
not.
6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath
reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.
7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving
themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example,
suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.
8 Likewise also these *filthy* dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of
dignities.
9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body
of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.
10 But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know
naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.
11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error
of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.
12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves
without fear: clouds *they are* without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit
withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;
13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is
reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.
14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord
cometh with ten thousands of his saints,
15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all
their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches*
which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.
16 These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth
speaketh great swelling *words*, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.
17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our
Lord Jesus Christ;
18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after
their own ungodly lusts.
19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.
20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy
Ghost,
21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto
eternal life.
22 And of some have compassion, making a difference:
23 And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted
by the flesh.
24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present *you* faultless before
the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,
25 To the only wise God our Saviour, *be* glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now
and ever. Amen.

THE REVELATION OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants
things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his
servant John:
2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all
things that he saw.
3 Blessed *is* he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those
things which are written therein: for the time *is* at hand.
4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from him
which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before
his throne;
5 And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead,
and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our
sins in his own blood,
6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him *be* glory and
dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which
pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.
8 **I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending,** saith the Lord, which is, and
which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.
9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom
and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and
for the testimony of Jesus Christ.
10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,
11 Saying, **I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last:** and, **What thou seest, write
in a book, and send *it* unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus,
and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto
Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.**
12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden
candlesticks;
13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks *one* like unto the Son of man, clothed with
a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.
14 His head and *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes *were* as a
flame of fire;
15 And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the
sound of many waters.
16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged
sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength.
17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me,
saying unto me, **Fear not; I am the first and the last:**
18 **I *am* he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen;
and have the keys of hell and of death.**
19 **Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things
which shall be hereafter;**
20 **The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the
seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches:
and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.**

2

1 **Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth
the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden
candlesticks;**
2 **I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear
them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are
not, and hast found them liars:**
3 **And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and
hast not fainted.**
4 **Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.**

5 **Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first**
works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of
his place, except thou repent.
6 **But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also**
hate.
7 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To**
him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the
paradise of God.
8 **And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first**
and the last, which was dead, and is alive;
9 **I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and *I know***
the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but *are* the synagogue
of Satan.
10 **Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast**
***some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days:**
be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.
11 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He**
that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.
12 **And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which**
hath the sharp sword with two edges;
13 **I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, *even* where Satan's seat *is*: and thou**
holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein
Antipas *was* my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.
14 **But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the**
doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children
of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.
15 **So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I**
hate.
16 **Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with**
the sword of my mouth.
17 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him**
that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white
stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that
receiveth *it*.
18 **And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son**
of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet *are* like fine brass;
19 **I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy**
works; and the last *to be* more than the first.
20 **Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that**
woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my
servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.
21 **And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.**
22 **Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into**
great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.
23 **And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I**
am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you
according to your works.
24 **But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this**
doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put
upon you none other burden.
25 **But that which ye have *already* hold fast till I come.**
26 **And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give**
power over the nations:
27 **And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be**
broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.
28 **And I will give him the morning star.**
29 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.**

3

1 **And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath**
the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a
name that thou livest, and art dead.

2 **Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for**
I have not found thy works perfect before God.
3 **Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and**
repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou
shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.
4 **Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments;**
and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.
5 **He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not**
blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my
Father, and before his angels.
6 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.**
7 **And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that**
is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man
shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;
8 **I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can**
shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied
my name.
9 **Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and**
are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet,
and to know that I have loved thee.
10 **Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the**
hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell
upon the earth.
11 **Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy**
crown.
12 **Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall**
go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the
city of my God, *which is* new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my
God: and *I will write upon him* my new name.
13 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.**
14 **And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the**
Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;
15 **I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or**
hot.
16 **So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee**
out of my mouth.
17 **Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of**
nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and
blind, and naked:
18 **I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and**
white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and *that* the shame of thy nakedness
do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.
19 **As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.**
20 **Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the**
door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.
21 **To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also**
overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.
22 **He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.**

4

1 After this I looked, and, behold, a door *was* opened in heaven: and the first voice which
I heard *was* as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will
shew thee things which must be hereafter.
2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and *one*
sat on the throne.
3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and *there was* a
rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.
4 And round about the throne *were* four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four
and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of
gold.
5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and *there were*
seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

6 And before the throne *there was* a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the
throne, and round about the throne, *were* four beasts full of eyes before and behind.
7 And the first beast *was* like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast
had a face as a man, and the fourth beast *was* like a flying eagle.
8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about *him*; and *they were* full of eyes
within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which
was, and is, and is to come.
9 And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne,
who liveth for ever and ever,
10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship
him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,
11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created
all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

5

1 And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on
the backside, sealed with seven seals.
2 And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book,
and to loose the seals thereof?
3 And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book,
neither to look thereon.
4 And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book,
neither to look thereon.
5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the
Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.
6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst
of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which
are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.
7 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.
8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down
before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which
are the prayers of saints.
9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the
seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every
kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;
10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.
11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the
beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and
thousands of thousands;
12 Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and
riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.
13 And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and
such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and
glory, and power, *be* unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and
ever.
14 And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four *and* twenty elders fell down and
worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

6

1 And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of
thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.
2 And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown
was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.
3 And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see.
4 And there went out another horse *that was* red: and *power* was given to him that sat
thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was
given unto him a great sword.
5 And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And
I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.
6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny,
and three measures of barley for a penny; and *see* thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

7 And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come
and see.
8 And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and
Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth,
to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.
9 And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were
slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:
10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou
not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?
11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that
they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren,
that should be killed as they *were,* should be fulfilled.
12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake;
and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;
13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs,
when she is shaken of a mighty wind.
14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain
and island were moved out of their places.
15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains,
and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens
and in the rocks of the mountains;
16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that
sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:
17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

7

1 And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth,
holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on
the sea, nor on any tree.
2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and
he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and
the sea,
3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants
of our God in their foreheads.
4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: *and there were* sealed an hundred
and forty *and* four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.
5 Of the tribe of Juda *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben *were* sealed
twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad *were* sealed twelve thousand.
6 Of the tribe of Aser *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nepthalim *were* sealed
twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses *were* sealed twelve thousand.
7 Of the tribe of Simeon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi *were* sealed
twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar *were* sealed twelve thousand.
8 Of the tribe of Zabulon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph *were* sealed
twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin *were* sealed twelve thousand.
9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all
nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the
Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;
10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne,
and unto the Lamb.
11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and *about* the elders and the four
beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,
12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and
power, and might, *be* unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.
13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in
white robes? and whence came they?
14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came
out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood
of the Lamb.
15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple:
and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.
16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on
them, nor any heat.

17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them
unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

8

1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space
of half an hour.
2 And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven
trumpets.
3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was
given unto him much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all saints upon the
golden altar which was before the throne.
4 And the smoke of the incense, *which came* with the prayers of the saints, ascended up
before God out of the angel's hand.
5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* into the earth:
and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.
6 And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.
7 The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they
were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was
burnt up.
8 And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was
cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;
9 And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the
third part of the ships were destroyed.
10 And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it
were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;
11 And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became
wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.
12 And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third
part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened,
and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.
13 And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a
loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of
the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!

9

1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to
him was given the key of the bottomless pit.
2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke
of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the
pit.
3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given
power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.
4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither
any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in
their foreheads.
5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be
tormented five months: and their torment *was* as the torment of a scorpion, when he
striketh a man.
6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and
death shall flee from them.
7 And the shapes of the locusts *were* like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their
heads *were* as it were crowns like gold, and their faces *were* as the faces of men.
8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as *the teeth* of lions.
9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings
was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.
10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their
power *was* to hurt men five months.
11 And they had a king over them, *which is* the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name
in the Hebrew tongue *is* Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath *his* name Apollyon.
12 One woe is past; *and*, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.
13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden
altar which is before God,

14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are
bound in the great river Euphrates.
15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a
month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.
16 And the number of the army of the horsemen *were* two hundred thousand thousand:
and I heard the number of them.
17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates
of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses *were* as the heads of lions;
and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.
18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by
the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.
19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails *were* like unto
serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.
20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the
works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and
brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:
21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication,
nor of their thefts.

10

1 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a
rainbow *was* upon his head, and his face *was* as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of
fire:
2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and *his*
left *foot* on the earth,
3 And cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven
thunders uttered their voices.
4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I
heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders
uttered, and write them not.
5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to
heaven,
6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things
that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things
which are therein, that there should be time no longer:
7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the
mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.
8 And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go *and* take
the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon
the earth.
9 And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto
me, Take *it*, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet
as honey.
10 And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth
sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter.
11 And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations,
and tongues, and kings.

11

1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and
measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.
2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given
unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty *and* two months.
3 And I will give *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two
hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.
4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the
earth.
5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their
enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.
6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and
have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as
often as they will.

7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the
bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.
8 And their dead bodies *shall lie* in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called
Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.
9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies
three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.
10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall
send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the
earth.
11 And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they
stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.
12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they
ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.
13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and
in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted,
and gave glory to the God of heaven.
14 The second woe is past; *and*, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.
15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The
kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he
shall reign for ever and ever.
16 And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their
faces, and worshipped God,
17 Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to
come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.
18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they
should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and
to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them
which destroy the earth.
19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the
ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an
earthquake, and great hail.

12

1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the
moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:
2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.
3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having
seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.
4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth:
and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour
her child as soon as it was born.
5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and
her child was caught up unto God, and *to* his throne.
6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that
they should feed her there a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days.
7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and
the dragon fought and his angels,
8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.
9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which
deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with
him.
10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and
the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast
down, which accused them before our God day and night.
11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony;
and they loved not their lives unto the death.
12 Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the
earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he
knoweth that he hath but a short time.
13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman
which brought forth the man *child*.

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the
wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time,
from the face of the serpent.
15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might
cause her to be carried away of the flood.
16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up
the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.
17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant
of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

13

1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having
seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name
of blasphemy.
2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as *the feet* of a bear,
and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and
great authority.
3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was
healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.
4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they wor-
shipped the beast, saying, Who *is* like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?
5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and
power was given unto him to continue forty *and* two months.
6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his
tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.
7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and
power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.
8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in
the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.
10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword
must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.
11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a
lamb, and he spake as a dragon.
12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth
and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.
13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the
earth in the sight of men,
14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means of* those miracles which he
had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they
should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.
15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast
should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast
should be killed.
16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a
mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:
17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast,
or the number of his name.
18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for
it is the number of a man; and his number *is* Six hundred threescore *and* six.

14

1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty
and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.
2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great
thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:
3 And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and
the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand,
which were redeemed from the earth.
4 These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they
which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men,
being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

5 And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of
God.

6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to
preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue,
and people,
7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment
is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of
waters.
8 And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city,
because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the
beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without
mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone
in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest
day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of
his name.
12 Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God,
and the faith of Jesus.
13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed *are* the dead which
die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours;
and their works do follow them.

14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud *one* sat like unto the Son
of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.
15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat
on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the
harvest of the earth is ripe.
16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.
17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp
sickle.
18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with
a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather
the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.
19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and
cast *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God.
20 And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress,
even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand *and* six hundred furlongs.

15

1 And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven
last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.
2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the
victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, *and* over the number of his
name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.
3 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,
Great and marvellous *are* thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true *are* thy ways, thou
King of saints.
4 Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for *thou* only *art* holy: for all
nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.
5 And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in
heaven was opened:
6 And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure
and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.
7 And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the
wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.
8 And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and
no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were
fulfilled.

16

1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways,
and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.
2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome
and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and *upon* them which
worshipped his image.
3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a
dead *man*: and every living soul died in the sea.
4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and
they became blood.
5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast,
and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.
6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to
drink; for they are worthy.
7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous
are thy judgments.
8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him
to scorch men with fire.
9 And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath
power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.
10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was
full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,
11 And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and
repented not of their deeds.
12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water
thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.
13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out
of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.
14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings of the
earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.
15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed *is* he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest
he walk naked, and they see his shame.
16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.
17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice
out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.
18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earth-
quake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, *and* so
great.
19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and
great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of
the fierceness of his wrath.
20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.
21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, *every stone* about the weight of a
talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof
was exceeding great.

17

1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me,
saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that
sitteth upon many waters:
2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of
the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.
3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a
scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and
precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and
filthiness of her fornication:
5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE
MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.
6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the
martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of
the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.
8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit,
and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were
not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast
that was, and is not, and yet is.
9 And here *is* the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on
which the woman sitteth.
10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, *and* the other is not yet come;
and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.
11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth
into perdition.
12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom
as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.
13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.
14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is
Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him *are* called, and chosen, and
faithful.
15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are
peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.
16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and
shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.
17 For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom
unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.
18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of
the earth.

18

1 And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great
power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.
2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen,
and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every
unclean and hateful bird.
3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of
the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed
rich through the abundance of her delicacies.
4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be
not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.
5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.
6 Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her
works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.
7 How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and
sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see
no sorrow.
8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and
she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong *is* the Lord God who judgeth her.
9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with
her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,
10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon,
that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.
11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth
their merchandise any more:
12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen,
and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and
all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,
13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and
fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls
of men.
14 And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which
were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.
15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for
the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,

16 And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and
scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!
17 For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the
company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,
18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What *city is* like unto this
great city!
19 And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas,
that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her
costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate.
20 Rejoice over her, *thou* heaven, and *ye* holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged
you on her.
21 And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast *it* into the sea, saying,
Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no
more at all.
22 And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard
no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft *he be*, shall be found any more
in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;
23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the
bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were
the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.
24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain
upon the earth.

19

1 And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia;
Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:
2 For true and righteous *are* his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which
did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at
her hand.
3 And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.
4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that
sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.
5 And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye
that fear him, both small and great.
6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters,
and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent
reigneth.
7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is
come, and his wife hath made herself ready.
8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for
the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.
9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed *are* they which are called unto the marriage
supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.
10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See *thou do it* not: I am thy
fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the
testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.
11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was*
called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.
12 His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name
written, that no man knew, but he himself.
13 And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word
of God.
14 And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine
linen, white and clean.
15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations:
and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness
and wrath of Almighty God.
16 And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND
LORD OF LORDS.
17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the
fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper
of the great God;

18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty
men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men, both*
free and bond, both small and great.
19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to
make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.
20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before
him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them
that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with
brimstone.
21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which
sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

20

1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and
a great chain in his hand.
2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and
bound him a thousand years,
3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he
should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after
that he must be loosed a little season.
4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I*
saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God,
and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark
upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand
years.
5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is*
the first resurrection.
6 Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death
hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a
thousand years.
7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,
8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog
and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the
sea.
9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints
about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured
them.
10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where
the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.
11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and
the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.
12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened:
and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of
those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the
dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

21

1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were
passed away; and there was no more sea.
2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with
men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be
with them, *and be* their God.
4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death,
neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are
passed away.
5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto
me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I
will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.
7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my
son.
8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremon-
gers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which
burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.
9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the
seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the
Lamb's wife.
10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me
that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,
11 Having the glory of God: and her light *was* like unto a stone most precious, even like a
jasper stone, clear as crystal;
12 And had a wall great and high, *and* had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels,
and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the twelve tribes of the children of
Israel:
13 On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the
west three gates.
14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve
apostles of the Lamb.
15 And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof,
and the wall thereof.
16 And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he
measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth
and the height of it are equal.
17 And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred *and* forty *and* four cubits, *according to*
the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.
18 And the building of the wall of it was *of* jasper: and the city *was* pure gold, like unto
clear glass.
19 And the foundations of the wall of the city *were* garnished with all manner of precious
stones. The first foundation *was* jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the
fourth, an emerald;
20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the
ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.
21 And the twelve gates *were* twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the
street of the city *was* pure gold, as it were transparent glass.
22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple
of it.
23 And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of
God did lighten it, and the Lamb *is* the light thereof.
24 And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of
the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.
25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.
26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.
27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither *whatsoever*
worketh abomination, or *maketh* a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of
life.

22

1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the
throne of God and of the Lamb.
2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, *was there* the tree of life,
which bare twelve *manner of* fruits, *and* yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of
the tree *were* for the healing of the nations.
3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it;
and his servants shall serve him:
4 And they shall see his face; and his name *shall be* in their foreheads.
5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for
the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.
6 And he said unto me, These sayings *are* faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy
prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

7 **Behold, I come quickly: blessed *is* he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy**
of this book.
8 And I John saw these things, and heard *them*. And when I had heard and seen, I fell
down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.
9 Then saith he unto me, See *thou do it* not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren
the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.
10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is
at hand.
11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still:
and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.
12 **And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward *is* with me, to give every man**
according as his work shall be.
13 **I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.**
14 Blessed *are* they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of
life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.
15 For without *are* dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idol-
aters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.
16 **I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I**
am the root and the offspring of David, *and* the bright and morning star.
17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let
him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.
18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any
man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in
this book:
19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall
take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and *from* the things which
are written in this book.
20 He which testifieth these things saith, **Surely I come quickly.** Amen. Even so, come,
Lord Jesus.
21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.